



KŪKULU KE EA A KANALOA

## KAHO'OLAWE ISLAND RESERVE COMMISSION

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October 27, 2009

Aloha e Nā Hoa'āina o Hawai'i Nei,

Welina. We are writing to request the assistance of your organization in nominating an individual to serve on the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission (KIRC). According to the State law which created the Commission (Chapter 6K, Hawai'i Revised Statutes), one of the commissioners is appointed by the Governor from a list of names submitted by Native Hawaiian organizations and is eligible to serve two consecutive four-year terms; no more than eight years.

This request for nominations is to fill the seat currently held by Charles PMK Burrows, Ed.D, who will have served eight years on January 10, 2010. Before Dr. Burrows, Dr. Isabelle Abbott and before her Nalani Kanaka'ole served as representatives of Native Hawaiian organizations.

During his eight years as commissioner, Dr. Burrows gave generously of his time and expertise to the healing of Kaho'olawe. His exceptional scientific knowledge and professional background in indigenous education – specializing in environmental and native science – has served both the Commission and Kaho'olawe well; we are indeed the better for his service.

The Commission sets policies and rules for Kaho'olawe and its near shore waters, which together comprise the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve (Reserve). Commissioners receive no compensation for their work, but their travel expenses are covered. The Commission meets once a month on O'ahu, Maui or Kaho'olawe, and occasionally on the other islands for either a full or half day.

After reviewing the enclosed materials, if your organization would like to nominate an individual or individuals, please submit a cover letter from your organization specifying their qualifications, including familiarity and/or connection with Kaho'olawe as well as the expertise he/she would bring to accomplishing the goals of our strategic plan; one goal being preparing for the eventual transfer of the Reserve and its management to a sovereign entity. Also, include in your submittal a resume and the attached application completed and signed by the nominee(s) by November 17, 2009 to:

Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission  
Attn: Ka'ōnohi Lee  
811 Kolu Street, Suite 201  
Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793-1457

Letters and applications will be submitted to the Governor through BLNR Chair Thielen. If you have any questions, please contact Ka'ōnohi Lee at the KIRC Office on Maui at 243-5020.

Mahalo no ko 'oukou kōkua; e holomua ana kākou.

Me ka 'oia'i'o,

Noa Emmett Aluli, M.D.  
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Enclosure