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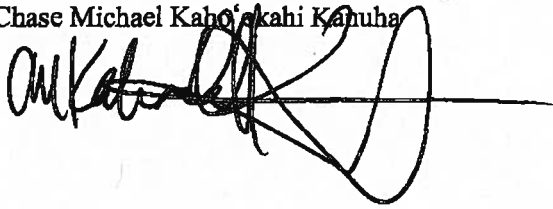
RE: Request to be admitted as a party in the contested case hearing for CDUP HA-3568 for the Thirty Meter Telescope in the Mauna Kea Lands, Ka'ohē, Hamakua District, Island of Hawai'i, TMK (3) 4-4-015:009

I'm requesting to be admitted as a party to the above contested case hearing pursuant to Hawaii Administrative Rules §13-1-31. This request should be granted because: (1) Requestor has a property interest in the lands of Mauna Kea through the exercise of Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practices; (2) Requestor will be affected by the proposed Thirty Meter Telescope project and has an interest in the proceedings that are clearly distinguishable from the general public; (3) Requestor has a substantial interest in the proceedings; (4) Requestor's participation will substantially assist the board in its decision making; (5) Requestor's position is not substantially the same as any existing parties to the proceedings; and (6) Requestor's participation will add substantially new relevant information and will not make the proceedings inefficient and unmanageable.

Requestor's specific, substantial interests in the contested case proceedings also consists as follows: Mauna a Wākea, among many other things, is the symbol of the greatest Hawaiian movement in modern history. It is the piko of Hawai'i and it is indeed the piko of the people of Hawai'i. I lived on Mauna a Wākea for four months in 2015 just as my ancestor had done over 400 years ago. Mauna a Wākea is my kuleana. I am a descendent of 'Umialiloa, ke ali'i noho mauna, and I have been given the sacred responsibility to protect the sacred lands of my ancestors. I was arrested twice on Mauna a Wākea in 2015 for assuming my genealogical responsibility of protecting Mauna a Wākea. My first arrest was dismissed, but my second arrest went to trial. On January 8, 2015 I was found NOT GUILTY for obstructing the construction

efforts of TMT and the State of Hawai'i. I am a lineal descendent of 'Umiāloa and I conduct traditional and customary practices on Mauna a Wākea, specifically, in the exact area that TMT wishes to build it's telescope.

Chase Michael Kahō'akahi Kānuha

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