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STATE OF HAWAII

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:

I am a worshiper and kahu, priest of Kanenuiakea, a Hawaiian indigenous religion recognized by the United Nation's NGO, the International Association for Religious Freedom (IARF). We worship Mauna Kea as an Akua, God and I and other members of Kanenuiakea, go to our akua Mauna Kea, to also worship our ancestral goddesses Poiāhu, Lilinoe and Waiau. My two grandchildren are buried on Mauna Kea and I have testified several years ago that it is hewa, desecration to build telescopes on Mauna Kea for the same reason the Japanese would not build it on Mount Fuji, the Jews on Mount Sinai or the Indians in the middle of the Ganges river. I conduct worship ceremonies on Mauna Kea and the TMT telescope will desecrate the sacredness of our Akua. The entire Mauna Kea is sacred and a manifestation of our Akua, God.

Submitted by,

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