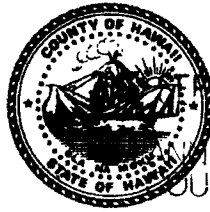


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September 10, 2015

State Historic Preservation Officer
and Members of the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board
Kākuhihewa Building
601 Kamokila Blvd, Ste. 555
Kapolei, Hawai'i 96707

Dear SHPO and Members of the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board:

**SUBJECT: Nomination of the Seishiro Hasegawa Ltd. Store Building to the Hawai'i
Register of Historic Places
45-3587 Māmane Street, Honoka'a, Hawai'i 96727
TMK: (3) 4-5-007:013 Honoka'a Town, Haina, Hāmākua, Hawai'i**

I am pleased to offer support for the inclusion of the Seishiro Hasegawa Ltd. Store building on the Hawai'i Register of Historic Places. After review of the nomination materials, we are of the opinion that the building meets criteria A and C of §13-198-8, Hawai'i Administrative Rules, and criteria A and C of §60.4, Code of Federal Regulations, for inclusion on the Hawai'i Register and nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

The Hawai'i County Cultural Resources Commission (CRC) considered the nomination at their advertised public meeting on September 9, 2015, and unanimously voted to support its inclusion on the Registers. In addition to preservation of the structure itself, the CRC encourages the landowner to find a way to interpret or share the impressive history of the building and the families associated with it so that the full story of the building can be shared with the public.

Listing of the Seishiro Hasegawa Ltd. Store building to the Hawai'i Register of Historic Places will help to preserve a portion of the heritage that makes our County special.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William P. Kenoi", written over a horizontal line.

WILLIAM P. KENOI
Mayor

cc: Planning Department, Hawai'i County Cultural Resources Commission

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