# STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES Land Division Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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Board of Land and Natural Resources State of Hawaii Honolulu, Hawaii

Hawaii

Cancellation of Revocable Permit No. S-7901, Madeleine Krusche and Benjamin Jack Krusche, Permittees, Ocean View Lease Lots, Waiakea, South Hilo, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: (3) 2-1-007:033; and

Cancellation of Revocable Permit No. S-7902, Benjamin Krusche, Permittee, Ocean View Lease Lots, Waiakea, South Hilo, Hawaii, Tax Map Key: (3) 2-1-007:032.

# PURPOSE:

Cancellation of Revocable Permit Nos. S-7901 (RP 7901) and S-7902 (RP 7902).

# LEGAL REFERENCE:

Section 171-55, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.

### LOCATION:

Portion of Government lands of Ocean View Lease Lots situated at Waiakea, South Hilo, Hawaii, identified by Tax Map Keys: (3) 2-1-007:032 and 033, as shown on the attached map labeled Exhibit A.

### AREA:

RP 7901 = 8,205 square feet, more or less. RP 7902 = 8,114 square feet, more or less.

### TRUST LAND STATUS:

Section 5(b) lands of the Hawaii Admission Act DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State Constitution: NO

# CHARACTER OF USE:

Residential purposes.

# COMMENCEMENT DATE OF PERMIT:

Both revocable permits commenced on March 15, 2016.

# MONTHLY RENTAL:

INSURANCE:

DEPOSIT:

RP 7901 = \$263.45 per month; \$3,161.40 annually. RP 7902 = \$339.78 per month; \$4,077.36 annually.

# STATUS:

Pursuant to the provisions contained in Revocable Permits S-7901, Madeleine and Benjamin Jack Krusche, Permittees, and S-7902, Benjamin Krusche, Permittee were mailed a default notification letter dated June 18, 2019 for:

Failure to keep lease rental payments current
Failure to post required security deposit
Failure to post required fire insurance policy
Failure to post required liability insurance policy
Other:
notice offered the Permittee a thirty-day cure period to correct the default. This cure despired on July 17, 2019. As of October 15, 2019, this breach has not been cured.
October 15, 2019, the current status of all permit compliance items is as follows:
The Permittees have a rental delinquency on: RP 7901 of \$1,341.41 for the period 06/01/2019 to 10/01/2019 and RP 7902 of \$3,046.58 for the period 03/01/2019 to 10/01/2019

The Permittees have posted the required liability insurance policy.

The Permittees have posted the required security deposits.

### REMARKS:

Historically, the Permittees have kept monthly rent current by sending periodic lump sums of money to maintain a credit balance on the permits. The last monies received were in January 2019, which paid through May 2019 (RP 7901) and February 2019 (RP 7902).

The Krusches have utilized the homes located on the properties as vacation homes; not permanent residences. They are Canadian residents, but, have refused to provide a permanent address in Canada to correspond to; they prefer to have correspondence sent to subject properties' addresses. Hawaii District Land Office (HDLO) has corresponded with Mr. Krusche through email fairly successfully over the years. The permittees have not been present on the properties since 2016.

In late 2017, HDLO began receiving complaints regarding people living on the subject properties. Through investigation and communication with Mr. Krusche, it was determined that a group of squatters had moved onto the properties. Mr. Krusche began working on having them removed. One group of squatters moved out and another group moved in. The resolution of the situation was drawn out as personal health problems plagued both permittees.

By the end of 2018, Mr. Krusche was scheduled to have the Sheriff's department serve notice to have the squatters removed. HDLO has had no further communication with Mr. Krusche. A woman that resides on the premises of RP 7901, states that she is the caretaker, but she has had no contact with Mr. Krusche since January 2019. Further, she states that Mr. Krusche told her that Madeleine had passed away.

On September 20, 2019, at approximately 1:30 pm, HDLO received a phone call from the County of Hawaii Fire Department with notification there had been a fire on the premises. HDLO staff responded to the scene and determined that the garage structure at the streetside of RP 7902 was the source of the fire. The house located on the subject property was not involved. However, the adjacent property experienced substantial damage to its vinyl fence panels for quite a distance. Refer to attached Exhibit B for photos.

HDLO staff has been attempting to make contact with the permittees since February 2019. Attempts have been made via mail to all known addresses, as well as by phone and email. All attempts have been unsuccessful. Therefore, staff is recommending cancellation of both permits so that staff can secure the properties to avoid further squatting and other attendant problems.

## RECOMMENDATION: That the Board:

- Authorize the cancellation of Revocable Permit Nos. S-7901 & S-7902 in the manner specified by law;
- Authorize the retention of all sums heretofore paid or pledged under Revocable Permit Nos. S-7901 & S-7902 to be applied to any past due amounts;
- 3. Terminate the permits and all rights of Permittees and all obligations of the Permittor effective as of November 8, 2019, provided that any and all obligations of the Permittees which have accrued up to said effective date or which are stated in the permit to survive termination shall endure past such termination date until duly fulfilled, and further provided that Permittor reserves all other rights and claims allowed by law; and
- 4. Authorize the Department of the Attorney General, the Department of Land and Natural Resources, or their agents to collect all monies due the State of Hawaii under Revocable Permit Nos. S-7901 & S-7902 and to pursue all other rights and remedies as appropriate.

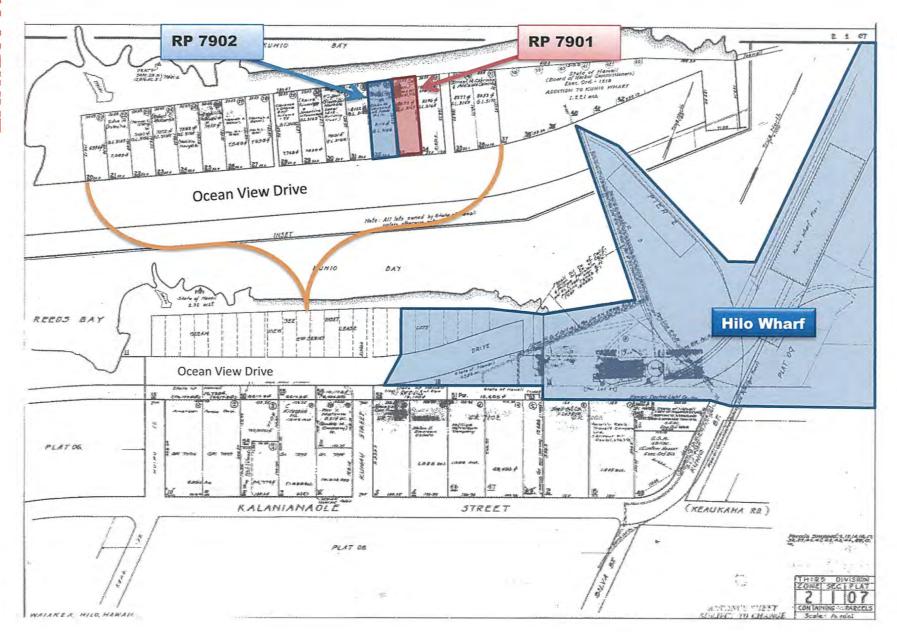
Respectfully Submitted,

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Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

Suzanne D. Case, Chairperson



# **EXHIBIT B**













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