STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation
Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

September 10, 2021

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

Land Board Members:

SUBJECT: Issuance of a Revocable Permit to Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club, for Storage for Hawaiian Outrigger Canoes and Related Equipment and for Cultural Practices on Kawaiola, Waialua, Island of Oahu, Hawaii, Tax Map Key No. (1) 6-2-003:010 (Portion)

And

Issuance of a Direct Lease to Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club, for Storage for Hawaiian Outrigger Canoes and Related Equipment and for Cultural Practices on Kawaiola, Waialua, Island of Oahu, Hawaii, Tax Map Key No. (1) 6-2-003:010 (Portion)

And

Declare Project Exempt from Requirements of Chapter 343, HRS and Title 11, Chapter 200.1, Hawaii Administrative Rules.

APPLICANT:

Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club (Manu O Ke Kai), a 501(c)(3) Domestic Non-Profit Corporation, whose mailing business address is 59-778 Kamehameha Hwy, Haleiwa, Hawaii 96712.

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Sections §171-., -13, -43.1 and -55, and other applicable sections of Chapter 171, Hawaii Revised Statute, as amended.

Item J-2
LOCATION:

Portion of Government lands situated on a portion of Tax Map Key No. (1) 6-2-003:010, Haleiwa Beach, Waialua, Oahu, as delineated and as shown on the map labeled Exhibit A-1 thru A-3. Said premises are on a portion of Governor’s Executive Order No. 3964.

AREA:

Approximate 15,000 square feet, more or less.

ZONING:

State Land Use District: Agriculture, Urban
County Zoning: R-5 Residential District

TRUST LAND STATUS:

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

CURRENT USE STATUS:

Unencumbered.

CHARACTER OF USE:

Storage of Hawaiian outrigger canoes and three (3) structures for equipment storage and for cultural practices.

LEASE TERM:

Ten (10) Years from the commencement date of the lease.

REVOCABLE PERMIT COMMENCEMENT DATE:

October 1, 2021

RENTAL FOR REVOCABLE PERMIT AND DIRECT LEASE:

$480.00 per annum or the minimum rent allowed by the Board’s prevailing minimum annual rent policy.
REMOVABLE PERMIT SECURITY DEPOSIT:

Twice the monthly rent.

LEASE PERFORMANCE BOND:

Twice the annual rent.

METHOD PAYMENT:

The rent shall be paid monthly, in advance on or before the 1st of each month.

PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS:

Utilities: Sewer system is not available in the area. Power, telephone and cable are available from Kamehameha Hwy. approximately 100' from the site.

Existing Improvements: Three (3) Non-conforming wood structures:

- Memorial (Approx.): 8'x16' or 128 sq. ft.
- Canoe Halau (Approx.): 60'x30' or 1,800 sq. ft.
- Rigging Platform (Approx.): 15'x12' or 180 sq. ft.
- Total (Approx.): 2,108 sq. ft.

Legal Access to Property: Staff has verified that there is legal access to the premises from Kamehameha Hwy.

Encumbrances: None.

APPLICANT'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

Provide survey maps and descriptions according to State DAG standards and at applicant's own cost.

DCCA VERIFICATION:

- Place of business registration confirmed: YES ✗ NO
- Registered business name confirmed: YES ✗ NO
- Applicant in good standing confirmed: YES ✗ NO
CHAPTER 343 – ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

In accordance with the "Comprehensive Exemption List for the Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation, Department of Land and Natural Resources, State of Hawaii, as concurred in by the Environmental Council, State of Hawaii", dated November 10, 2020, the subject request is exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment pursuant to Exemption Class No. 1 that states in pertinent part, "Operations, repairs, or maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing." This project is exempt from the preparation of an Environmental Assessment pursuant to the following exemption:

Item No. 44. "Permits, licenses, registrations, and rights-of-entry issued by the Department that are routine in nature, involving negligible impacts beyond that previously existing."

Item No. 40: "Leases of State land involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing."

The following agencies were consulted on this action with the results indicated as follows:

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HISTORY:

In 1984, parents of Leilehua High School's football team decided to start a Hawaiian outrigger canoe paddling team. One of the club's founders, Randolph Sandborn, later became Leilehua High School's canoe paddling coach. These parents identified the area at the mouth of Anahulu Stream as a potential area to train their team. The challenge was that the beach was covered in debris that had accumulated from dumping, high winter surf and torrential flooding that impacted the area over the years. They cleared the beach and the land, which is now the site of their canoe club. While clearing the land they spotted an iwa bird flying around the canoe site every day and decided on the name "Manu" for their club. In 1992 Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club was registered as a non-profit corporation.

In February 2020, Randolph Sanborn passed away. In early March 2020, after conducting a site visit of Surf N Sea and the beach area, staff contacted Manu O Ke Kai regarding the disposition that allowed them to use the subject area. The current club president, Mr. David Fuga, was under the impression that Manu O Ke Kai was previously issued a permit. Upon learning that no such disposition existed, Mr. Fuga submitted an application for the use of state lands.
In the process of researching Manu O Ke Kai’s occupancy of the area, Manu O Ke Kai provided staff with documents supporting their good faith efforts to acquire proper permits over the years. Land Division was also very helpful in providing notes and historic documentation corroborating that fact.

Records indicate that Land Division had issued Right of Entry’s to Manu O Ke Kai to utilize the site for training and storage for their canoe club from approximately 1989 to 1998. In 1992, the area was slated to be set aside to the City and County Department of Parks and Recreation ("City Parks"). The action stipulated that Manu O Ke Kai be allowed to continue to operate in the current location on a "gratis basis". Action was delayed from 1998 to 2001 due to discussions regarding jurisdiction. In circa 1998, City Parks had no objections to Land Division issuing a revocable permit to Manu O Ke Kai.

At its January 11, 2002, meeting under agenda Item D-26, the board authorized Land Division to issue a revocable permit to Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club. See Exhibit C. Subsequently, at its May 24, 2002, meeting under agenda Item D-22, the board authorized the set aside of land (including the area occupied by Manu O Ke Kai) to DOBOR; and amended the prior Board action of January 11, 2002, Item D-26, to allow DOBOR to issue its own revocable permit to the Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club. See Exhibit D.

On February 19, 2003, the governor signed Executive Order 3964, which set aside the area encompassing the subject area to DOBOR. Due to reasons unknown to staff, a revocable permit was not issued to Manu O Ke Kai following the Board action and set aside. Staff is therefore bringing this housekeeping matter to the Board for its approval.

**REMARKS:**

Manu O Ke Kai’s stated objective is to teach Hawaiian culture and values (primarily to the youth) through the discipline of paddling, maintaining the aina, enjoying and appreciating the ocean, friends and family through canoeing. Manu O Ke Kai has over 200 paddlers of all ages. Over half of their members are youths and their club provides a healthy and safe after school activity for youths of all ages. Manu O Ke Kai supports 3 high school Hawaiian canoe paddling teams. Three of Manu O Ke Kai’s members are head high school Hawaiian canoe racing coaches for Leilehua, Waialua and Mililani. These coaches use the current location to support the 3 high school teams. Manu O Ke Kai races in the AAA Division of the Na ‘Ohana O Na Hui Wa’a Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association, which organizes regattas around the islands including Kauai Channel crossings (Molokai Hoe for the men and Na Wahine O Ke Kai for the women).

As members of Hui Waa Racing Association (aka Na Ohana O Na Hui Waa) Manu O Ke Kai qualifies under HRS §200-20 to store Hawaiian outrigger canoes on state shoreline at no charge. However, the area they are requesting is Mauka of the state certified shoreline, as certified in 1987. See Exhibit B.
At different times during the year, the sand on this stretch of beach washes away (typically during the winter months) and then accumulates. Therefore, a shoreline disposition is not practical.

Over the years Manu O Ke Kai has demonstrated good stewardship of this area and is a strong community partner to Haleiwa and the North Shore. See Exhibits E and F. Archived notes also support their stewardship of this area.

The owner of neighboring Surf N Sea Store has informed staff that Manu O Ke Kai has cleared trees from the beach and the bay that have washed down from 'Anahulu River over the years. This has helped Surf N Sea's kayak rental business and made the beach usable for the public. Surf N Sea also stated that Manu O Ke Kai helps to clear a drainage basin Makai of the public parking area Mauka of the subject area. For these reasons, staff recommends that no back rent be assessed.

The location of the permit/lease area allows for public shoreline access from Kamehameha Highway.

There are non-conforming structures in the proposed permit area. As a condition of receiving a lease, Manu O Ke Kai will be required to bring the site up to county building code standards within one (1) year of receiving the permit.

Staff recommends charging the Applicant, who is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, an annual rental of $480 for both the permit and lease in accordance with the Board's prevailing minimum annual rent policy.

The Board action dated January 11, 2002, item D-26, included the following requirements:

- The installation of flood lights within the permit area, which meet the requirements of the chairperson.
- The use of this site for any fundraising activity such as the selling of tickets, the preparation of any type of fundraising products, the distribution of fundraising products, or any fundraising activity of any kind are not authorized.

Staff contacted Division of Forestry and Wildlife (DOFAW) regarding the potential impact of the flood light requirement on sea turtles and migratory birds. DOBOR staff received written confirmation from DOFAW that they had no objections to the proposed action.

Staff believes these recommendations should be included as conditions for the issuance of the lease, in addition to the following:

- Bring the non-conforming structures up to county code.
- Maintain trees with appropriately licensed landscape contractors.
For the proposed lease, Manu O Ke Kai would be required to provide a survey map and description of the lease area according to State Department of Accounting and General Services Survey Sections (DAGS-Survey) standards at its sole cost and expense.

There has been no other interest from the public for a disposition in this area.

JUSTIFICATIONS FOR A REVOCABLE PERMIT AND A DIRECT LEASE:

The issuance of the revocable permit is a temporary measure until a direct lease can be issued.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Land and Natural Resources:

1. Declare that, after considering the potential effects of the proposed project as provided by Chapter 343, HRS, and Chapter 11-200, HAR, this project will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is therefore exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.

2. Authorize the issuance of a Revocable Permit to the Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club covering the subject area for canoe club activities and canoe storage purposes under the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference, incorporated herein and further subject to the following:
   
   a. The standard terms and conditions of the most current Revocable Permit form, as may be amended from time to time; and

   b. Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club shall installation and maintain flood lights within the permit area, which meet the requirements of the Division of Forestry and Wildlife and the chairperson.

   c. Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club shall not use the permit area for any fundraising activity such as the selling of tickets, the preparation of any type of fundraising products, the distribution of fundraising products, or any fundraising activity of any kind.

   d. Review and approval by the Department of the Attorney General.

   e. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

3. Authorize the issuance of a Direct Lease to the Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club covering the subject area for canoe club activities and canoe storage purposes under the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference, incorporated herein and further subject to the following:
a. The standard terms and conditions of the most current Lease form, as may be amended from time to time; and

b. Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club shall maintain flood lights within the lease area, which meet the requirements of the chairperson.

c. Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club shall not use the lease area for any fundraising activity such as the selling of tickets, the preparation of any type of fundraising products, the distribution of fundraising products, or any fundraising activity of any kind.

d. Review and approval by the Department of the Attorney General.

e. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

Respectfully Submitted,

Meghan Stats for

EDWARD R. UNDERWOOD, Administrator
Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

Suzanne Q. Case
SUZANNE D. CASE, Chairperson
Board of Land and Natural Resources

Attachments:

A-1 Map Haleiwa Beach on the Island of Oahu
A-2 Proposed Area in Relation to Haleiwa Town, Harbor and Bridge
A-3 Proposed Area in Relation to the Shoreline
B Certified Shoreline Survey
C Board Action January 11, 2002, Item D-26
D Board Action May 24, 2002, Item D-22
E Letter of Support Councilmember Heidi Tsuneyoshi for District II
F Letters of Support
Exhibit B

The shoreline as located and certified and delineated in red is hereby confirmed as being the actual shoreline as of APR 15 1987.

State Land Surveyor

SHORELINE LOCATION
Portion of Royal Patent 4476, Land Commission Award 7713, Apapa 33 Ya V, Kamehameha (Certificate of Boundaries No. 3G) Tax Map Key E-2-03-10
Kenolio, Kailua, Oahu, Hawaii

Owner: State of Hawaii
Scale: 1 inch = 40 feet
April 19, 1987

Survey Office Copy

Stanley T. Nakamura

JOB 0-471 (8G)
C.BK. 12, PG 51-S. Nakamura

TAX MAP 6-2-03 SURVEY DIVISION DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES STATE OF HAWAII
EXHIBIT C

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

January 11, 2002

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

Oahu

Issuance of Revocable Permit to Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club,
Haleiwa, Wailua, Oahu, Tax Map Key: 6-2-03:10 (por)

APPLICANT:

Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club, a non-profit organization whose
business and mailing address is 278-B Karsten Drive,
Wahiawa, Hawaii, 96786

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Sections 171-13 and 171-55, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as
amended.

LOCATION:

Portion of Government lands of Haleiwa situated at Haleiwa,
Wailua, Oahu, identified by Tax Map Key: 6-2-3:10 (por), as
shown on the attached maps labeled Exhibits "A" and "B".

AREA:

.510 acres

ZONING:

State Land Use District: Urban
County of Honolulu CZO: R-5

TRUST LAND STATUS:

This is not ceded land. Acquisition by the State occurred
after statehood through condemnation.

DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State
Constitution;

YES No x

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF
LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
AT ITS MEETING HELD ON

January 11, 2002

ITEM D-26
CURRENT USE STATUS:

Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club has occupied this site for the past ten years under right of entries issued yearly until 1999. The Land Administrator at that time considered alternative disposition options for this canoe club and the Anuenue Canoe Club at Duke Kahanamoku Beach. No subsequent right of entries were issued, and they now occupy the site without a disposition.

CHARACTER OF USE:

Canoe club training and storage of canoes.

COMMENCEMENT DATE:

April 1, 2002

MONTHLY RENTAL:

$ 90.00

COLLATERAL SECURITY DEPOSIT:

$ 180.00

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:

Twenty percent (20%) of the monthly rental per day or three dollars ($3.00) per day, whichever is greater.

CHAPTER 343 – ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

The subject disposition is exempt from the provisions of Chapter 343, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended, under Exemption Class No. 1 that exempts the operation, repairs, maintenance of existing structures, facilities, equipment, or topographical features involving negligible or no expansion or change of use beyond that previously existing.
REMARKS:

The Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club is a canoe paddling organization that was organized in 1984. Pursuant to a notification it received on August 8, 2001, the club is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. This certification is attached as Exhibit "C".

Manu O Ke Kai Canoe club was organized to provide a safe, and stable environment for people to challenge themselves physically and assume the values that go hand in hand with membership in a canoe club hui. It is very visible in the community by providing canoe paddling training programs every week for students from Wailua High School, Mililani High School, Lelehu High School, and Kahuku High School. The club is involved in community activities such as the Hanapa'a Fishing Tournament, the Haleiwa Taro Festival, the Haleiwa Fishing Festival and the annual Lions Club Youth Activity. The North Shore Neighborhood Board recently extended their support to the club's efforts to obtain a 501(c)(3) status with the Internal Revenue Service.

The club currently has its facility on the beach area makai of the Anahulu Bridge in Haleiwa Town. It has been there for the past ten years under right of entries issued yearly.

This beach parcel was acquired by the State of Hawaii by final order of condemnation on July 19, 1967 for the expansion of Haleiwa Boat Harbor. This area was subsequently not included in the Governor's Executive Order for the boat harbor, and there are no plans by the Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation to include this area. This acquisition is filed in the Land Division under Land Office Deed S-24540. The County zoning is R-5. R-5 allows for public uses.

This area was not included in the Governor's Executive Order for the boat harbor because the site is completely separated from the harbor by a rock groin and was not needed by DOBAR. Currently this beach area is used by the public and the canoe club. Since the acquisition was for a harbor facility, staff is recommending a disposition by a monthly revocable permit should the State need this area for the boat harbor in the future.
The management of the Haleiwa Boat Harbor has no objections to this disposition, and they think this revocable permit will provide Manu O Ke Kai with clear operational rules to manage this site along with the legal jurisdiction to enforce these rules.

Recently, the Land Division received an anonymous complaint which alleged that the site was used for gambling, drug use, alcohol consumption, and that members of the high school paddling teams were jumping off the Anahulu Bridge into the stream below. An investigation of this complaint by the Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement found no evidence to support this complaint. DOCARE also stated that they have patrolled this area for the past two years, on a weekly basis, and they have never witnessed any alcohol consumption, drug use, nor gambling on the site.

In order to discourage any illicit activity on this site by non-canoe club members after hours, we are requiring the Permittee to install flood lights on the premises that meet the requirements of the chairperson.

We have not received any other application for this parcel. We have contacted the Department of Parks and Recreation of the City and County and inquired whether they were interested in adding this area to the Haleiwa Beach Park. After studying this matter, they declined to assume management of this area. Since we have no long term planning for this site, a month to month tenancy is appropriate in case the State needs this area for another purpose.

The authorized uses for this permit are canoe club training and storage of canoes. The use of this site for any fundraising activity such as the selling of tickets, the preparation of any type of fundraising products, the distribution of fundraising products, or any fundraising activity of any kind are not permitted under this permit.
RECOMMENDATION: That the Board:

1. Find that, after considering the potential effects of the proposed disposition as provided by Chapter 343, HRS, and Chapter 11-200, HAR, the disposition will probably have minimal or no significant effect on the environment and is therefore exempt from the preparation of an environmental assessment.

2. Authorize the issuance of a revocable permit to Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club covering the subject area for canoe club training and storage of canoes purposes under the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference incorporated herein and further subject to the following:

   a. Permittee shall install flood lights; within the permit area, which meet the requirements of the chairperson.

   b. The use of this site for any fundraising activity such as the selling of tickets, the preparation of any type of fundraising products, the distribution of fundraising products, or any fundraising activity of any kind are not authorized.

   c. The standard terms and conditions of the most current revocable permit form, as may be amended from time to time;

   d. Review and approval by the Department of the Attorney General; and

   e. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]
Cecil Santos
Oahu District Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

[Signature]
GILBERT S. COLOMA-AGARAN, Chairperson
Dear Applicant:

Based on information you supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably expect to be a publicly supported organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Accordingly, during an advance ruling period you will be treated as a publicly supported organization, and not as a private foundation. This advance ruling period begins and ends on the dates shown above.

Within 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period, you must send us the information needed to determine whether you have met the requirements of the applicable support test during the advance ruling period. If you establish that you have been a publicly supported organization, we will classify you as a section 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) organization as long as you continue to meet the requirements of the applicable support test. If you do not meet the public support requirements during the advance ruling period, we will classify you as a private foundation for future periods. Also, if we classify you as a private foundation, we will treat you as a private foundation from your beginning date for purposes of section 507(d) and 4940.

Grantors and contributors may rely on our determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. If you send us the required information within the 90 days, grantors and contributors may continue to rely on the advance determination until we make
MANU O KE KAI CANOE CLUB

a final determination of your foundation status.

If we publish a notice in the Internal Revenue Bulletin stating that we will no longer treat you as a publicly supported organization, grantors and contributors may not rely on this determination after the date we publish the notice. In addition, if you lose your status as a publicly supported organization, and a grantor or contributor was responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, that resulted in your loss of such status, that person may not rely on this determination from the date of the act or failure to act. Also, if a grantor or contributor learned that we had given notice that you would be removed from classification as a publicly supported organization, then that person may not rely on this determination as of the date he or she acquired such knowledge.

If you change your sources of support, your purposes, character, or method of operation, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. If you amend your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, let us know all changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for social security taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act on amounts of $100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the private foundation excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Internal Revenue Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please let us know.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Donors may deduct contributions to you only to the extent that their contributions are gifts, with no consideration received. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. Revenue Ruling 67-246, published in Cumulative Bulletin 1967-2, on page 104, gives guidelines regarding when taxpayers may deduct payments for admission to, or other participation in, fundraising activities for charity.

You are not required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, if your gross receipts each year are normally $25,000 or less. If you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally $25,000 or less, and sign the return. Because you will be treated as a public charity for return filing purposes during your entire advance ruling period, you should file Form 990 for each year in your advance ruling period.
that you exceed the $25,000 filing threshold even if your sources of support do not satisfy the public support test specified in the heading of this letter.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of $20 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed $10,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. For organizations with gross receipts exceeding $1,000,000 in any year, the penalty is $100 per day per return, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. The maximum penalty for an organization with gross receipts exceeding $1,000,000 shall not exceed $50,000. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete. So, please be sure your return is complete before you file it.

You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You are required to make your annual information return, Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, available for public inspection for three years after the later of the due date of the return or the date the return is filed. You are also required to make available for public inspection your exemption application, any supporting documents, and your exemption letter. Copies of these documents are also required to be provided to any individual upon written or in person request without charge other than reasonable fees for copying and postage. You may fulfill this requirement by placing these documents on the Internet. Penalties may be imposed for failure to comply with these requirements. Additional information is available in Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, or you may call our toll free number shown above.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, we will assign a number to you and advise you of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

If you distribute funds to individuals, you should keep case histories showing the recipients’ names, addresses, purposes of awards, manner of selection, and relationship (if any) to members, officers, trustees or donors of funds to you, so that you can substantiate upon request by the Internal Revenue Service any and all distributions you made to individuals. (Revenue Ruling 56-304, C.B. 1956-2, page 306.)

If we said in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.
MANU O KE KAI CANOE CLUB

Because this letter could help us resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Steven T. Miller
Director, Exempt Organizations

Enclosure(s):
Form 872-C
Charitable Contributions - Substantiation and Disclosure Requirements

UNDER THE NEW LAW, CHARITIES WILL NEED TO PROVIDE NEW KINDS OF INFORMATION TO DONORS. Failure to do so may result in denial of deductions to donors and the imposition of penalties on charities.

Legislation signed into law by the President on August 10, 1993, contains a number of significant provisions affecting tax-exempt charitable organizations described in section 501 (ex 3) of the Internal Revenue Code. These provisions include: (1) new substantiation requirements for donors, and (2) new public disclosure requirements for charities (with potential penalties for failing to comply). Additionally, charities should note that donors could be penalized by loss of the deduction if they fail to substantiate. THE SUBSTANTIATION AND DISCLOSURE PROVISIONS APPLY TO CONTRIBUTIONS MADE AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1993.

Charities need to familiarize themselves with these tax law changes in order to bring themselves into compliance. This Publication alerts you to the new provisions affecting tax-exempt charitable organizations. Set forth below are brief descriptions of the new law’s key provisions. The Internal Revenue Service plans to provide further guidance in the near future.

Donor's Substantiation Requirements

Documenting Certain Charitable Contributions. — Beginning January 1, 1994, no deduction will be allowed under section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code for any charitable contribution of $250 or more unless the donor has contemporaneous written substantiation from the charity. In cases where the charity has provided goods or services to the donor in exchange for making the contribution, this contemporaneous written acknowledgment must include a good faith estimate of the value of such goods or services. Thus, taxpayers may no longer rely solely on a cancelled check to substantiate a cash contribution of $250 or more.

The substantiation must be "contemporaneous." That is, it must be obtained by the donor no later than the date the donor actually files a return for the tax year in which the contribution was made. If the return is filed after the due date or extended due date, then the substantiation must have been obtained by the due date or extended due date.

The responsibility for obtaining this substantiation lies with the donor, who must request it from the charity. The charity is not required to record or report this information to the IRS on behalf of donors.

The legislation provides that substantiation will not be required if, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary, the charity reports directly to the IRS the information required to be provided in the written substantiation. At present, there are no regulations establishing procedures for direct reporting by charities to the IRS of charitable contributions made in 1994. Consequently, charities and donors should be prepared to provide or obtain the described substantiation for 1994 contributions of $250 or more.

There is no prescribed format for the written acknowledgment. For example, letters, postcards or computer-generated forms may be acceptable. The acknowledgment does not have to include the donor's social security or tax identification number. It must, however, provide sufficient information to substantiate the amount of the deductible contribution. The acknowledgment should note the amount of any cash contribution. However, if the donation is in the form of property, then the acknowledgment must describe, but need not value, such property. Valuation of the donated property is the responsibility of the donor.

The written substantiation should also note whether the donee organization provided any goods or services in consideration, in whole or in part, for the contribution and, if so, must provide a description and good-faith estimate of the value of the goods or services. In the new law these are referred to as "quid pro quo contributions."

Please note that there is a new law requiring charities to furnish disclosure statements to donors for such quid pro quo donations in excess of $75. This is addressed in the next section on Disclosure by Charity.

If the goods or services consist entirely of intangible religious benefits, the statement should indicate this, but the statement need not describe or provide an estimate of the value of these benefits. "Intangible religious benefits" are also discussed in the following section on Disclosure by Charity. If, on the other hand, the donor received nothing in return for the contribution, the written substantiation must state so.

The present law remains in effect that, generally, if the value of an item or group of like items exceeds $5,000, the donor must obtain a qualified appraisal and submit an appraisal summary with the return claiming the deduction.

The organization may either provide separate statements for each contribution of $250 or more from a taxpayer, or furnish periodic statements substantiating contributions of $250 or more.

Separate payments are regarded as independent contributions and are not aggregated for purposes of measuring the $250 threshold. However, the Service is authorized to establish anti-abuse rules to prevent avoidance of the substantiation requirement by taxpayers writing separate smaller checks on the same date.

If donations are made through payroll deductions, the deduction from each paycheck is regarded as a separate payment.

A charity that knowingly provides false written substantiation to a donor may be subject to the penalties for aiding and abetting an understatement of tax liability under section 6701 of the Code.

Disclosure by Charity of Receipt of Quid Pro Quo Contribution

Beginning January 1, 1994, under new section 6115 of the Internal Revenue Code, a charitable organization must provide a written disclosure statement to donors who make a payment, described as a "quid pro quo contribution," in excess of $75. This requirement is separate from the written substantiation required for deductibility purposes as discussed above. While, in certain circumstances, an organization may be able to meet both requirements with the same written document, an organization must be careful to satisfy the section 6115 written disclosure statement requirement in a timely manner because of the penalties involved.

A quid pro quo contribution is a payment made partly as a contribution and partly for goods or services provided to the donor by the charity. An example of a quid pro quo contribution is where the donor gives a charity $100 in consideration for a concert ticket valued at $40. In this example, $60 would be deductible. Because the donor's payment (quid pro quo contribution) exceeds $75, the disclosure statement must be furnished, even though the deductible amount does not exceed $75.

Separate payments of $75 or less made at different times of the year for separate fund-raising events will not be aggregated for purposes of the $75 threshold. However, the Service is authorized to develop anti-abuse rules to prevent avoidance of this disclosure requirement in situations such as the writing of multiple checks for the same transaction.

The required written disclosure statement must:

1) Inform the donor that the amount of the contribution that is de-
Consent Fixing Period of Limitation Upon Assessment of Tax Under Section 4940 of the Internal Revenue Code

Under section 6507(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, and as part of a request filed with Form 1023 that the organization named below be treated as a publicly supported organization under section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) or section 509(a)(2) during an advance ruling period.

Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club

276-8 Kaimana Drive, Wahiawa, HI 96786

District Director of Internal Revenue or Assistant Commissioner
(Employee Plans and Exempt Organizations)

consent and agree that the period for assessing tax (imposed under section 4940 of the Code) for any of the 5 tax years in the advance ruling period will extend 8 years, 4 months, and 15 days beyond the end of the first tax year.

However, if any notice of deficiency in tax for any of these years is sent to the organization before the period expires, the time for making an assessment will be further extended by the number of days the assessment is prohibited, plus 60 days.

Ending date of first tax year 12-31-01

Name of organization (as shown in organizing document) Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club

Office or Trustee Having Authority to Sign

Signature

For IRS use only

District Director or Assistant Commissioner (Employee Plans and Exempt Organizations)

Type or print name and title

Date

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see page 1 of the Form 1023 Instructions.
STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Land Division
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

May 24, 2002

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

PSF No.: 020D-125

Set Aside to the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation for Marina and Other Related Purposes, and Amend Prior Board Action of January 11, 2002 (Agenda Item D-26), Haleiwa, Wailua, Oahu, Tax Map Key: 6-2-03:10&39

APPLICANT:

Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation (DOBOR).

LEGAL REFERENCE:

Section 171-11 and 200-2.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), as amended.

LOCATION:

Portion of Government lands of Kawailoa, situated at Wailua, Oahu, identified by Tax Map Key: 6-2-03: 10 & 39 as shown on the attached map labeled Exhibit A.

AREA:

2.633 acres, more or less.

ZONING:

State Land Use District: Urban
C & C of Honolulu CZO: R-5 (residential)

TRUST LAND STATUS:

Acquired after Statehood (non-trust land)

DHHL 30% entitlement lands pursuant to the Hawaii State Constitution: NO

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
AT ITS MEETING HELD ON May 24, 2002.

EXHIBIT D

ITEM D-22
CURRENT USE STATUS:

Tax Map Key: 6-2-03: Por. 10  Pending issuance of a revocable permit to Manu O Kea Kai Canoe Club.


PURPOSE:

For marina and other related purposes.

CHAPTER 343 - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

This action before the Board is merely a transfer of management jurisdiction and does not constitute a use of State lands or funds, and therefore, this action is exempt from the provisions of Chapter 343, HRS, relating to environmental impact statements. Inasmuch as the Chapter 343 environmental requirements apply to Applicant's use of the lands, the Applicant shall be responsible for compliance with Chapter 343, HRS, as amended.

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS:

Applicant shall be required to provide survey map and description according to State DAGS standards and at Applicant's own cost.

REMARKS:

The State acquired the subject land by Final Order of Condemnation on July 1, 1967 (Land Office Deed No. S-24,540). The acquired land, less the subject portion, was set aside to the Department of Transportation (DOT), Harbors Division, by Governor's Executive Order No. 2598 with the public purpose being "For Haleiwa Beach Restoration and Small Boat Harbor".

DOT has since completed construction of the Haleiwa Small Boat Harbor, while the subject land has remained vacant and unencumbered. DOT did not include the subject portion of land when constructing the Haleiwa Small Boat Harbor because a rock revetment wall completely separates it from the small boat harbor.

The Department of Land and Natural Resources was given the responsibility of managing the small boat harbors statewide with the passage of Act 272, SLH 1991.
Comments were solicited from the following agencies:

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<td>Had no objections.</td>
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<td>DLNR-Historic Preservation</td>
<td>The Surf N Sea building meets the criteria as a historic structure. Also because of past subsurface discoveries in the area, which included human burials, there is the possibility of other historic resources in the area. Any proposed alterations to the building or any ground disturbing activities should be reviewed and receive the concurrence of this Division.</td>
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<td>DLNR-Conservation Dist. Plng.</td>
<td>No requirement for a CDUP. However, any future development will require compliance with Chapter 13-5 HAR.</td>
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<td>DLNR-Oahu District Branch</td>
<td>Tax Map Key: 6-2-03: Por. 10 - at its January 11, 2002 meeting, the Board authorized the issuance of a revocable permit to Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club. Tax Map Key: 6-2-03:. 39 is encumbered under RPS-4433 to Surf N Sea.</td>
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<td>DOT-Harbors Division</td>
<td>Had no objections.</td>
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<td>CCH-Planning</td>
<td>The city is working with the Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club to build a canoe halau at this location. The State boating and ocean recreation program at Haleiwa Small Boat Harbor is supported by County Policy. The North Shore Sustainable</td>
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Communities Plan includes a planning principle to: "Encourage the State to upgrade, maintain and expand the boating facilities at the Haleiwa Harbor to meet the needs of recreational and commercial fishing and leisure boating activities."

CCH-Parks & Recreation

Had no comments.

Currently, the Manu O Kea Kai Canoe Club's occupancy of the subject land is without documentation. However, at its January 11, 2002 meeting, under agenda item D-26, the Board authorized the issuance of a revocable permit to the canoe club. The permit document has not yet been prepared, accordingly, an amendment of agenda item D-26, allowing DOBOR to issue its own permit to the canoe club would be in order should the Board approve the subject set aside request by DOBOR.

Also, the site would be set aside to DOBOR together with the existing Revocable Permit No. S-4433 issued to Surf N' Sea.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board, subject to Applicant fulfilling the Applicant Requirements above:

1. Approve of and recommend to the Governor the issuance of an executive order setting aside the subject lands to the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation, under the terms and conditions cited above, which are by this reference incorporated herein and subject further to the following:

   A. The standard terms and conditions of the most current executive order form, as may be amended from time to time;

   B. Disapproval by the Legislature by two-thirds vote of either the House of Representatives or the Senate or by a majority vote by both in any regular or special session next following the date of the setting aside;

   C. Review and approval by the Department of the Attorney General; and

   D. Such other terms and conditions as may be prescribed by
the Chairperson to best serve the interests of the State.

2. Amend the Board's prior action of January 11, 2002, under agenda item D-26, to allow DOBOR to issue its own revocable permit the Manu O Kea Kai Canoe club, subject to the terms and conditions contained in said agenda item D-26.

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]

GARY MARTIN, Land Agent

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:

[Signature]

GILBERT S. COLOMA-AGARAN, Chairperson
March 4, 2021

Ms. Suzanne Case, Chairperson
Department of Land and Natural Resources
1151 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Aloha Director Case,

It has come to our attention that Manu O Ke Kai has submitted its request to approve its revocable permit for the use of their canoe site at Haleiwa Beach Park. I am writing to provide my support for the approval of their permit as they have been a good stewards of the property and a strong community partner to Haleiwa and the North Shore.

Manu O Ke Kai canoe club has had roots in the Haleiwa community, specifically Haleiwa Beach Park for over 35 years. Having been built close to the inception of the canoe club, the Manu O Ke Kai canoe halau has existed in its current location of decades. As you know, there is a shortage of canoe halau on our island with the north shore and windward coast not having a public canoe halau. Manu O Ke Kai constructed its own canoe halau to house their competition canoes and provide support for their athletes.

With the canoe halau being sited at its current location for possibly three-and-a-half decades, I support their request to continue what they have been doing. It is not interfering with any persons or groups. There are no complaints about its location. There are also caretakers of the building who have become engrained in the community and have expressed the willingness to work with DLNR to provide improvements to the halau.

The canoe halau has been and will continue to be a great benefit to not just Manu O Ke Kai and the canoeing community, but many residents of Haleiwa and the North Shore who recognize the importance of canoeing. Manu O Ke Kai has proved to be a strong community organization for Haleiwa and the North Shore and I would like to work with you to ensure that the canoe halau is able to continue on in its current location. Mahalo for your consideration of this request and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Heidi Tsuneyoshi
Honolulu City Council
District II
EXHIBIT F

September 23, 2020

Department of Land and Natural Resources
Kalanimoku Building
1151 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

VIA EMAIL to Faith Craycroft, MOKKCC at eyesose@yahoo.com

To Whom It May Concern:

Subject: Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club (MOKKCC)

Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club is a member in good standing of Na Ohana O Na Hui Waa (NOONHW), a canoe racing association in the City and County of Honolulu. NOONHW is a constituent association of the Hawaii Canoe Racing Association (HCRA), which is the state governing body of amateur competitive outrigger canoe racing in Hawaii.

We offer the attached Certificate of Insurance (COI) for calendar year 2020 as evidence of membership for MOKKCC. If you require ongoing proof of membership, we can provide a 2021 COI upon issuance. Please advise if you would like to be notified annually. If yes, please provide the DLNR Division, address, attention to, and email of the person or division that should receive the COI.

Please contact me if you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Elias Nakahara
President

EN:hnm
Enclosure: DLNR COI (3)
c: Dave Fuga, MOKKCC

P.O. Box 2279; Honolulu, Hawaii; 96804 * www.huiwaa.com
My name is Robert Joe Green, and I am the owner of Surf N Sea since 1982. At that time, the area between Surf N Sea and the Anaeho‘o River was nothing but scrub trees and bushes unused and derelict. Uncle Randy Sanborn began bringing canoes to the site, and like a godsend, little by little transformed it into a wonderful organization known as Manu O Ke Kai.

Over the years, we have supported them wholeheartedly as they cleaned up and maintained the area and took on the challenge of bringing in the youngsters to paddle, keeping them off the streets and out of mischief and strengthening their bodies with strenuous work outs for the paddle races to come.

These paddlers are very often in need of the guidance this group provides. Under Uncle Randy’s tutelage, they gratefully have maintained the beach and harbor area pulling in debris that’s been swept out into the boat channels and often helping distressed swimmers kayak paddlers and stand-up paddlers while welcoming one and all to come and paddle with them. The North Shore and Haleiwa Harbor area have greatly benefited from their presents all these years.

Since Randy’s passing last year, the new club president, David Fuga, has taken on the leadership, and in my eyes, has been doing a great job. I visit their site often, and I’m always amazed by the cheerful and welcoming group of people there and always encouraged to come and enjoy the beach area they keep so neat and tidy.

Not actually being a paddler but mainly a surfer since I was 12 years-old, I feel the common bond of the ocean and it’s pull and push and recognize the goodness in this organization. I urge you to not miss out on the opportunity to keep this canoe club on this location by offering them a long-term lease so they can make an even better contribution to the North Shore and the islands at large.

Thank you so much for your consideration and Aloha,

Joe Green

[Signature]
Mr. Carl Young  
Department of Land and Natural Resources Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation  
4 Sand Island Access Road  
Honolulu, Hi. 96819

Dear Mr. Young

The Waialua Community Association (WCA) supports Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club in their efforts of obtaining a revocable permit with the State of Hawaii, DLNR, DOBOR.

Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club volunteers for and supports the Waialua Community Association’s mission of providing quality of life programs that extend the Community’s interest culturally, morally and physically. Some of us on the WCA have been or are current members of the canoe club.

The WCA thanks you for your time and consideration in this effort.

Mahalo,

[Signature]

Manu Anana  
President  
Waialua Community Association

"The WCA serves the entire North Shore Community with meaningful educational and recreational programs. The WCA is a gathering place where children, teens, adults and seniors are encouraged to engage in meaningful social activities that stimulate and support individuals and community."
Mr. Carl Young  
Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation  
4 Sand Island Access Road  
Honolulu, HI 96819

Dear Mr. Young,

On behalf of the residents of 220 California Avenue Senior Housing, I would like to extend our support to Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club in their efforts in obtaining a revocable permit.

Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club has generously provided each of the residents with a Holiday Food Basket during the Christmas season. The residents that live here are all Kupuna and they are so grateful that Manu O Ke Kai continues to remember them during the Christmas Season.

Our residents would like to thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

Margaret Chock  
Resident Manager  
220 California Ave  
808 622-1745
To Whom It May Concern,

Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club (MOKKCC) has been a huge support to the Mililani High School Paddling program. For the past ten plus years, two of our head coaches have relied on the relationship with the Canoe Club, their equipment and facilities. Mililani High School Paddling Team holds their practices and conditioning at the Canoe Club from October to February. The use of their canoes, paddles and grounds has played a significant role in our paddling teams progress and success.

If MOPKKCC was not available or willing to help our school, the students would be forced to travel in the opposite direction to town. Paddlers would be forced to come up with funds for their own equipment and practice in an area with many other teams. The club allows for convenience and is cost effective for our paddling team.

Wwe hope to continue this long standing relationship with Manu O Ke Kai, which is instrumental in setting up our paddling team for success.

Mahalo,

Glenn Nitta
Athletic Director
Mililani High School
April 25, 2021

Aloha David,

On behalf of Waialua High and Intermediate school we would like to congratulate you on your new position with "Manu o ke Kai". It is our hope that we can continue our working relationship to ensure that the Student-athletes of Waialua will have the best and safe experience in the paddling community. During this pandemic it has put a huge dent into the Waialua athletic departments fundraising and financial status as well as many around the state. We are committed to "Manu o ke Kai" and hoping for the same support as the last couple of years. Waialua paid $600 for practice and race canoes, transportation of race boats, and practice site. Please let me know if this is something we can continue to ensure the Growth of our next community leaders and future "Manu o ke Kai" paddlers.

Mahalo

Darnell Arceneaux
To: Whom it may Concern
From: Nolan Tokuda, Athletic Director Leilehua High School
Date: April 23, 2021
Re: Manu O Ke Kai

I have been the Athletic Director for Leilehua High School since 2017 and our Paddling Team has the opportunity to use Manu O Ke Kai's canoes. They have been very gracious in allowing our school and team to use equipment as well as giving us coaching tips. We feel so blessed to have their support.

Manu O Ke Kai is more than just a club/Halau they are like family. I support them 100%.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me anytime. My cell # is 808-383-7333. Thank you and GOD BLESS!

Sincerely,

Nolan Tokuda, Athletic Director
To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Linda Cox. I coach Outrigger Paddling for Leilehua High School. I am writing today to voice my appreciation and support for Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club.

Manu O Ke Kai has made it possible for our High School to offer Outrigger Paddling to our students for many years. The club provides our students with canoes, coaching, and most importantly, a safe place to learn to paddle. The club has been very generous to our school.

We would not be able to offer our students this opportunity to learn a truly Hawaiian sport without the support of these knowledgeable, generous, caring people.

The current location of this canoe club is important to all of us. Our students ride the bus or carpool to this most convenient location. There really is no safe alternative.

I hope and pray that Manu O Ke Kai will always be right where they are.

Mahalo for your care and concern,

Linda Cox
Leilehua High School Paddling
Dear Department of Land and Natural Resources

February 4, 2021

My name is Cynthia Broc and I am a member of Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club. I have been paddling with Manu O Ke Kai for the past 16 years. I have also assisted the club by being the Club Representative for 10 years, as well as being a member of the club’s Board of Directors. My children Joseph and John have been members of the club since 2001. I wanted to express my concern for the club and ask that you grant our club a revocable permit to allow us to stay at our site in Haleiwa.

My son Joseph is physically disabled and uses a wheelchair for mobility. This club has changed his life. In 2001 when Joseph was taken to the club site by a family friend to meet Uncle Randy Sanborn, our club’s founder, to see if Uncle would accept him into the club Uncle Randy did not hesitate and only asked if Joe was able to swim. This kind gesture by Uncle Randy to allow my son to paddle, and become part of the outrigger canoe paddling community, opened up a world of possibilities.

Joseph went on to paddle for the Hui Wa’a season, the school season through Na Opio, and he paddled for Kahuku High and Intermediate. Joe eventually went on to paddle with Aka Hemmings and Pure Light racing team where he crossed the Molokai Channel in 2008 as part of the first crew of physically disabled paddlers to enter the Molokai Hoe. Joe participated in the Queens Long Distance races with Pure Light as well as the Pailolo long distance race from Maui to Molokai. Joe traveled to Sacramento, California to participate in the World Sprints with Pure Light racing in 2008.

Joe has also received numerous scholarships, Duke Kahanamoku scholarship, Swim with Mike scholarship for physically challenged athletes, and the Kaimana scholarship to name a few, to attend college at Hawaii Pacific University where he graduated in 2011 with a bachelor’s degree in Communications. Joe received these scholarships because he is a disabled athlete. This was only made possible due to the acceptance of the Sanborn family and the many other members of Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club that have embraced Joe and allowed him to blossom as an individual.

Joe has been featured in the Star Advertiser, Mid Week magazine, Mixed Plate, and on numerous sports segments through KHNL. Joe was part of the Department of Education promotional DVD to support public education. Joe even had his own commercial through Shriner’s Hospital, due to paddling, which showed on OC16 during “Let’s Go Fishing” for many years.

This club has taught Joe, and my younger son John, the meaning of teamwork, dedication, the importance of self-esteem, and how to become a contributing member to your community. My younger son John recently became a police officer and he achieved his goal of graduating from the police academy due largely to the discipline that was instilled in him through the Sanborn family and the community of Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club.

The Sanborn family have dedicated their lives to perpetuating the culture, respect, and importance of the Hawaiian tradition of outrigger canoe paddling. The Sanborn’s focus has always been to help and train the youth of our community. Living on the North Shore there are limited opportunities for sports for our children and this club allows the children on the North Shore to be involved with a sport that can keep them engaged, active, and out of trouble throughout the year.

Please consider and approve the request for the club’s permit to allow Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club to continue to be a pillar of the community and an avenue for positive growth for the youth of the North Shore and surrounding area of Mililani.

I have attached a few articles about Joe- thank you for your consideration and time.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Broc
(808) 271-3264
JOE "DA MAN" BROC

Three years ago, a young man with Spina Bifida joined Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club. This young man is Joseph "Joe" Broc. He paddled in the "Specials" (physically challenged) during his first year and is now paddling with the age 15 or 16 boys. He participates in the Na Opio program and was on the 2004 winning Junior Varsity crew.

Joe attends Kahuku High School and on canoe practice days, he catches the city bus from Sunset, with his wheelchair, to Haleiwa.

Joe is a well rounded individual, gets along well with everyone and does not expect or gets special treatment.

He likes to karaoke too. Maybe he'll be our next American Idol!

At the Maui Invitational Regatta's finale party, Joe was seen dancing on his wheelchair with 4 gorgeous girls at one time.

It is an honor and a privilege to have such an inspiring individual within our organization. His younger brother, Boe paddles as well and this year their mom, Cynthia decided to join them as an active paddler.

Yes, Joe, you're "DA MAN"!

June 2004
Going the distance in Kona
Written by Catharine Lo
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 2007

Born with spina bifida, 19-year-old Joe Broc is paralyzed below his knees. That, however, hasn’t stopped him from accomplishing one of paddling’s biggest achievements—racing in the 18-mile Queen Lili‘uokalani race, the world’s largest long distance outrigger canoe race. Broc was part of a crew of 6 adaptive paddlers (with Chris Greer, Dawna Zane, Francine McClain, John Greer and Rich Julian) and 3 able-bodied paddlers (Aka Hemmings, Al Konishi, and Sam Plunkett) that finished the demanding race in 2:43:57. Their time ranked them among the top 60 finishers out of more than 100 crews.

The three female and three male adaptive paddlers were recruited by coaches Aka Hemmings and Michi Wong. As part of an initiative supported by their church ministry, project Pure Light reaches out to the disabled community using the outrigger canoe as an instrument of strength and recovery. Every third Saturday at Kailua Beach Park at 10am, they take paddlers out on short, invigorating canoe runs assisted by ladies from Lanikai Canoe Club and men from New Hope Church. Pinky’s Bar and Grill has been providing lunch for the group for more than four years. They welcome all people with disabilities, Hemmings said, adding "We’re all a little disabled, everybody."

Hemmings and Wong have organized numerous opportunities for disabled Hawai‘i athletes to paddle, including at the 2006 International Va‘a Federation World Sprints in New Zealand and the 2004 World Sprints in Hilo, but the distance of the Queen Lili‘uokalani Race was by far the greatest challenge for the
participants.

"As coaches, Michi and I were looking for the next frontier, and distance racing was unchartered waters," explains Hemmings. Besides the conditioning and stamina required to complete the distance, the paddlers also had to make water changes, pulling themselves in and out of the canoe every 30 to 45 minutes. Accompanied by an escort boat, jet skis, and a water ambulance, and under the knowledgeable direction of Wong and Hemmings, the crew crossed the finish line in Kailua Bay with all six disabled paddlers in the boat in fine form.

"We didn't want to exhaust ourselves too early in the race, so we just kind of paced ourselves. When we passed the last mile buoy, we tried to paddle as hard as we could to finish strong," recalls Broc, the crew's youngest paddler in the crew. The marine biology student at Hawai'i Pacific University is one of 20 physically challenged athletes in the nation who was awarded a 2007 Swim With Mike scholarship that will fund his college tuition. "There were times in the race when I really got tired but I just kept pushing myself and telling myself, 'You can do it. Just do it.' It's like those basketball movies—it's the fourth quarter with 5 seconds left and he's down by 2 points, and he can hear the breathing and the sound of the crowd... and then he just makes the shot and wins."

Their mixed crew also competed in the 6-mile double-hull race, beating out several other crews. According to Hemmings, who has been steering canoes for 45 years, competing in Kona was a valuable trial run for an even greater endeavor next year—the veritable world championship of outrigger canoe racing, the Moloka'i Channel. He credits Michi Wong for her big heart and dedication to project Pure Light, as well as the determined and self-motivated crew of paddlers, for enabling Hawai'i to take the lead and become the model for adaptive paddling programs.

"I've had good days in my life," says the waterman who has conquered giant waves and completed many a channel crossing. "But that weekend was probably the most rewarding thing I've ever done. It touched my soul."
By Russell Yamanoha

HONOLULU (KHNL) - There aren't many team sports to be played on Hawaii's oceans, but canoe paddling is one of them.

Tonight, we hit the water with 19-year old Joe Broc.

A paddler who helps his team meet challenges, by overcoming a few of his own.

For Joe Broc, nothing beats back the worries of the day quite like having a canoe paddle in hand.

"Paddling is like my anti-drug or my stress reliever," says Joe.

"If I have a stressful day at home or at school or something I just go out and paddle and have fun.

The Hawaii Pacific freshman has been an active competitive paddler for the past 7-years, despite his special set of circumstances.

You see Joe was born with spina bifida, and is paralyzed below his knees.

"There were some doubters that didn't think I could do it."

According to Joe's coach, Randy Sanborn, "We were afraid the first time when he started paddling what would happen if the boat capcized what would happen, but he's the first guy in the boat, super upper body strength."

And Joe's will to succeed has left an indelible mark on his fellow paddlers.

"I remember last year we went to Maui for an invitational race. And I didn't know but people were looking at me."

"Here he is walking across the beach, said Sanborn, "with his crutches and getting in the boat and paddling."

"Afterwards, coach was telling me, 'Joe did you realize how many people were looking at you.' And I was like huh?"

"Some people look at me differently and think I can't do something but then I show them and they just change their perspective on what I can do."

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Thank you Uncle Randy for all that you have done for my boys, Joe and Boe. Nine years ago Uncle Randy accepted a new canoe paddler into Manu O Ke Kai. That paddler was my son Joe. Although Joe had no prior paddling experience, wore legs braces, and used crutches and a wheelchair to get around, Uncle Randy and his family accepted Joe for what he was - a young boy who wanted to paddle. Because of his acceptance and open heart, Uncle Randy helped my son to receive over $45,000 in scholarship monies to date because he is now a disabled athlete. Thanks Uncle Randy. Joe achieved a dream of his by paddling across the Kaiwi Channel during the Molokai Hoe of 2008 with his crew from Pure Light Racing. Uncle if you don’t know how much you can change a person’s life for the better you know now. Thanks Uncle, we love you!

— Cindy Broc and Family

**Today's Menu**

Hawaiian Plate Lunch ($7.50) – Lau Lau or Kahlua Pig w/Cabbage (includes Chicken Long Rice, Potato Salad and Rice) and a drink

Water/soda and other treats/goodies also for sale.

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To whom it may concern:

Aloha,

My name is Mike Atwood. I am on the board of directors of the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association. On the board, I have held the positions of Association Representative, Vice President, and President. I am currently the Immediate Past President.

The Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association, HCRA monitors outrigger canoe racing locally and internationally, and helps provide cultural, traditional, and competitive guidelines to over 70 clubs here in Hawaii.

One of the clubs we work with is Manu O Ke Kai in Haleiwa. We have found Manu O Ke Kai to be a well organized, cooperative, and supportive Hawaiian outrigger canoe club. Manu O Ke Kai is considered a valued member of the HCRA.

I personally knew Randy Sanborn, the late leader and founder of Manu, and considered him a friend. Randy had a deep love and respect for things Hawaiian, and instilled that in his club members.

I live on Hawaii island, and have been to the Manu club site in Haleiwa many times and have participated in events there.

While there, Randy, his wife Lei, and the Manu club members, always helped me feel like I was a part of the club and the Haleiwa community.

I was impressed with the layout and maintenance of the club site, and the effort there to be a part of the Haleiwa lifestyle.

Manu O Ke Kai offers members of the Haleiwa community, young and old, the opportunity to learn and be a part of the Hawaiian culture and traditions. Outrigger canoe racing is the official team sport of the state of Hawaii, and Manu O Ke Kai gives all its members the ability to participate in that sport.

I would recommend Manu O Ke Kai in any of their ventures and consider them to be a valuable part of HCRA, and the Haleiwa community.

Mahalo,

Mike Atwood
Aloha,

My name is Shannon Ka'aeikuahiwi and I am with the Wai'anae based Na Keiki O Ka Mo'i Canoe Club, and have been since their inception in 1984. I'm writing this letter of support on behalf of Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club from Haleiwa. Manu O Ke Kai from their start in 1987, has focused on providing a safe, nurturing environment for the youth and adults to learn and perpetuate the Hawaiian sport of canoe paddling.

I have heard from those not familiar with canoe paddling that it is an activity that puts a handful of people in a canoe and they paddle around for awhile and then go home. It is far more than that. Canoe paddling is a family that builds confidence, character and trust oftentimes to those that need it the most. Manu O Ke Kai takes troubled youth off the streets and gives them direction and instills a positive purpose in their lives.

Many times through the years I have been at their paddling site in Haleiwa. I have always been impressed with how clean, neat and orderly their area is. In order for Manu O Ke Kai to continue to be an asset to their community they need this area as their home. I urge you to grant them a revocable permit so they may continue the excellent work they do.

Me ka ho'omaika'i,

Shannon Ka'aeikuahiwi
Good Evening, My name is Janae Davis and I am Manu O Ke Kai, youth canoe paddler. Manu O Ke Kai opened their arms wide open to me full of love when I first became a member and paddled for them the year of 2019. Paddling isn't just a sport for me personally. It is a place and activity I can go too when I am stressed, and when I just need a friend. Yes, paddling is a friend. Throughout paddling I have met many great people, friends that'll last a life time and that I can call my sisters and brothers, coaches that have made me a better person. Paddling has improved me mental and physical health, and over all, it has made me the happiest I have been in a long time. This is why Paddling is important to me and many others, and why it cannot be replaced, not destroyed.

Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club has given me the opportunity to better myself in Paddling, physically and mentally, as well as giving me an opportunity of meeting such amazing people. Manu is a family, not just any canoe club you go to when you wanna paddle. Manu provides a safe environment and fun environment for all its members. Manu O Ke Kai is my second home, and is my second family. As you see Manu O Ke Kai is not just any ordinary canoe club. It is a family, and if you are to take that away from us, you will take a piece of every single one of their members, including I with you, heartbroken. Please, Manu O Ke Kai is not just a place to make money off of, it's a place to experience new things, create friendships, and most importantly connect family. Don't take Manu O Ke Kai away from us.

It is far too important.

Thank you,

Janae Davis
Aloha!
I am a high school senior. I have paddled at Manu for two years, and it has been one of the most valuable experiences of my life. When I began paddling, I was not confident, and had little experience with sports. Since then, I have learned how to work with a team and push my physical and mental limits. I absolutely love the multigenerational community found at Manu, and enjoy connecting with those of other age groups as we celebrate the joy of outrigger paddling. Manu O' Ke Kai Canoe Club plays a key role in fostering greater unity on the North Shore, preserving a beautiful Hawaiian sport, and creating resilient future leaders of Hawai'i. I will always be grateful to have paddled for Manu, and hope my three younger siblings will be able to experience the same joy I do every time I paddle a canoe.

Aloha!

- Kezia
Manu Updates!!

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Manu O Ke Kai Testimony

Aloha

My name is Alice Kamakele, & I would like to submit my testimony in support of Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club and all that it has done for my son & all of the wonderful kids I have had the pleasure of watching grow into young adults through the years.

I am not a current member of the club, but my son Desmond Kamakele has been a member of Manu O Ke Kai since 2016. My son is an alumni of Mililani High School c/o 2020 and participated in Outrigger Canoe Paddling all 4 years of High School under the Direction of his High School and Club coach Tavita Maea. Desmond joined Manu O Ke Kai shortly after finishing his freshman season at Mililani and has been with the club since then. Desmond learned all 6 seats in the Outrigger canoe, later growing into what would later become his passion, steering and stroking. He participated in High School State Championships as well as club State Championships. He learned what sacrifice, dedication & hard work was. He learned to be a team player and a leader as was the captain of his crew a few times. He learned to give back in anyway he could whether it be through Mililani High or through Manu or even at home. Until the pandemic hit, he along with his team mates were training for one of the most prestigious Outrigger Canoe Races, the World Sprints. He watched and supported his female team mates become the first young womens crew on the North Shore to cross the Moloka'i Channel. Families that we met through school and club meetings & regattas soon grew into our families over night. As a parent to watch your child find something they are so passionate about, succeed at all while learning life skills is such a blessing, all of which Manu O Ke Kai played a major roll in.

In this testimony you hear me speak a lot about Mililani High School and my sons time there. You see, without Manu O Ke Kai, Mililani High School, Leilehua High School and Waialua High School all would not be able to have a paddling season if it wasn't for the clubs direct support and blessing to use their site and canoes. Taking this site away from them would mean you are also taking it away from our Keiki and taking their chance to grow in their culture away from them. Manu O Ke Kai isn't just a Outrigger Canoe Club, its a family and a part of the foundation that is Haleiwa.

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Testimony in Support of Mano O Kai Kai

Susan Luehrs <susan@hawaiifido.org>
To: mokkcc1@gmail.com

Tue, Apr 27, 2021 at 1:13 PM

To Whom it May Concern:

I started paddling in 1982 with the newly formed Loa’a Canoe Club in Kaneohe and joined Manu in 1984 when I moved to Haleiwa to work at Kahuku High School and Intermediate.
At that time it was mostly adults and more of a fun recreational group sharing 2 boats.
It was a wonderful time of new clubs, regattas, long distance races, friendships and lots of socialization after long practices.
Over the years the club grew adding military, young adults and many many kids including our special needs population.
I've watch many of the young kids grow up, start families and bring their own kids into the club.
As a special education teacher I saw how the sport, discipline and tight group efforts helped so many kids who could have easily gone into other less productive direction.
The support, caring and family environment of Manu has has help so many of us over the years by providing a safe place to paddle, exercise and interact with people of all ages.
Haleiwa needs this club and this very special site to continue for our many Keiki and kupuna’s please help us to keep it!

Aloha,

Susan Luehrs
Program Director/Founder
Hawaii FiDo Service Dogs
www.hawaiifido.org
To whom it may concern,

Aloha, my name is Varina Amantiad, and I am a Manu canoe club member. I'm writing this letter in regards to Manu O Ke Kai receiving a permit for the current area that the club occupies. I do understand that it is a lease, and that when the lease is up, anyone can put in for that area.

I would like for Manu to be able to renew their lease. I have been paddling at Manu for 20 years. This canoe club is more than just a place to paddle. It is a club that has been part of my life. If I were to write a book about my life, paddling would fill up more than half of the story.

Over the years I have made many relationships with people that are my forever friends. We have been through so much together. From simple practices to grueling practices of more than 2 hours. We have shared pain, sore muscles, sweat, laughter, happiness, achievements, birth of new children, parties, graduations, and the list can go on...

This club is for the community. It helps children stay out of trouble. It gives them a place to learn a new sport and also a culture. Our youth program is the biggest in the Hui Wa‘a association that we belong to. This shows that kids want to paddle, want to set goals to achieve, and want to be a part of a community. They also have made Manu o Ke Kai a family. We as adults, have watched them grow up, graduate, and come back paddling as adults.

Humans need social, emotional, and physical well being to be all around happy healthy people. Paddling satisfies all this to make someone happy and healthy. There are generations of families who've cycled through this canoe club. Please give the next generations to come this continued cycle of social, emotion, and physical well being. Money doesn't make people happy. All our happy memories are centered around our paddling community of Manu O Ke Kai.
April 29, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club. I have been an active member of the club since 2004, and I consider Manu O Ke Kai my second home—the place where I go to see the people who have become my extended 'ohana. I have seen the joy that paddling has brought to multiple generations of paddlers—grandparents, parents, keiki—who have participated in regatta and long-distance seasons. It is a sport that encourages good health, respect for the ocean, and cooperation with others.

When Coach Randy Sanborn established the club in 1984, his mission was to teach fundamental Hawaiian values through the discipline of paddling, and the board and coaches at Manu have continued his legacy. Even as Haleiwa transformed from a sleepy fishing village to a bustling tourist destination, Manu O Ke Kai remained an important cultural resource in the community, open to all who are interested in learning. As the demographics on the North Shore evolve with more gentrification and skyrocketing real estate prices, it is even more critical that we protect the resources that make it such a special place and a Hawaiian place. Manu O Ke Kai is an integral part of Haleiwa’s cultural fabric, and I hope that it will continue to serve the community and perpetuate the tradition of outrigger canoe paddling for countless years to come.

Sincerely,

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Testimony

Bree Thuston <bthuston@gmail.com>  Thu, Apr 29, 2021 at 7:23 PM
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April 29, 2021

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in support of Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club to obtain a permit to stay at its current location for years to come.

I moved to Oahu with my mother from the big island during my pre-teen years. She wanted me to join a sport and she opened the phone book and found Uncle Randy's number. I was blessed to start paddling with Manu O Ke Kai's adolescent Na'o Pio program in 2001. Manu O Ke Kai had the mentors I needed to make good choices, to motivate me to be an honor roll student, Manu O Ke Kai was my safe home away from home. I had the privilege of paddling all four years of high school. I transitioned to the women's program and this is where I met my significant other. This place is where my daughter learned to swim, surf, paddle, and stand up paddle. My mother died when I was 21 years old. I got a letter from the club sending their condolences, and it solidified what I already knew... Manu O Ke Kai is family to me. I am one example of how this club has impacted my life in a positive way.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my testimony in support of Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club obtaining a permit.

Respectfully,
Bree Thuston, LCSW
To whom it may concern, 04/26/21

It has been brought to my attention that the halua located at Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club is to be demolished on Sunday, May 2, 2021.

The halua and canoe club have both become somewhat of a refuge for many people who desire to temporarily get away from the complexities and stresses of daily life. Especially during this particularly stressful time of dealing with the Corona Virus, it is imperative that for both the physical and mental well being of our members, we be allowed to continue to participate in the practice of canoe paddling. In order to do so, it is necessary that we have a safe and healthy place to store, assemble, launch and recover our canoes.

As witnessed by many local residents', crimes of theft and vandalism are on the rise. As you know, there is a significant homeless population on the North Shore of Oahu and near our canoe club. It is our contention that this, combined with the increasing use of illicit drugs not only presents the local community with a sense of insecurity but in fact causes us to take substantial steps to secure our valuables. Consequently, a secure structure to store both our canoes and accompanying gear is not merely a want, but rather a necessity to protect the investments of the club and our generous sponsors.

We humbly request that a revocable permit be granted to Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club. Additionally, we request that the permit include approval for the building of a permanent structure to store our canoes and accompanying gear.

Sincerely,

Terence Yogi
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Manu O Ke Kai Testimony

I’m writing this letter in support of granting Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club a permit to stay at their current location along the Anahulu River.

For so many, Manu O Ke Kai (Manu) represents more than a just a “canoe club”; and the Halau, more than just a “place to store equipment”. For hundreds of local residents & club members, the surrounding area of Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club is a place where deep rooted Hawaiian traditions are strengthen, then passed on to future generations.

Manu has always been an incredible asset to our local community. In addition to hosting numerous community volunteer events, (canned food & clothing drives, Kapuna Christmas gift distributions, Haleiwa Flood Relief, etc.), it provides a safe space where future generations can gather with friends & learn an essential part of Hawaiian culture. It’s a place where children, young adults and kapuna build self-confidence, stay out of trouble, grow as individuals, face personal fears & form bonds of friendship that last a lifetime.

I say all these things because I see them to be true every single time I’m at the canoe site. When I joined Manu O Ke Kai 8 years ago, I never imagined that something as simple as paddling a canoe would teach me so much about my own life. I’ve gained so much self-confidence, challenged my own person fears, met so many amazingly strong individuals, & learned the only limits someone has, are those they place on themselves. I can say with 100% confidence Manu has changed my life for the better. I feel this sentiment resonates with so many club members, past and present.

Manu O Ke Kai is not just a spit of land that houses canoes. It's a sacred place that nurtures souls and a space to self-reflect on so many aspects of life, both inside and outside the canoe. For us to loose a location that has had such a powerful & positive impact on so many people would be detrimental to the community as a whole. PLEASE GRANT MANU O KE KAI CANOE CLUB A PERMIT SO THEY CAN CONTINUE THEIR LEGACY FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS!

Sincerely,

Erica Adamczyk & Doug Osborn

Club members since 2013
My testimony for Manu O Ke Kai: At the end of my Sophomore year entering the Summer of my Junior year of High School I was approached in one of my classes and asked a question that had changed my life forever. The question was: Do you want to paddle for Manu? ..I knew nothing about the sport because all I did was cross country, track and soccer... but I was curious because I was competitive and I realized how many of my cousins and friends participated in this sport. So, I went to the Canoe site to check it out. When I first got there, there was so many keiki and friends that I knew there...all running to a huge army duffel bag full of paddles by the Halau. All ready to jump in a canoe for practice. I was so nervous because this was all new to me, then I heard this voice that yelled to me... Eh, just grab one paddle and jump in the boat! This is when I first met Uncle Randy Sanborn. His demeanor and how he looked so happy and content to take care of all these kids and just get them i

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Angelica Keao <keao24@gmail.com>  Sat, May 8, 2021 at 3:58 PM
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May 21, 2021

VIA EMAIL to Faith Craycroft

Ms. Suzanne D. Case, Chairperson
Board of Land and Natural Resources
Kalanimoku Building
1151 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Case:

Subject: Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club

I write to you today in SUPPORT of any application Manu O Ke Kai Canoe Club (MOKKCC) may bring before the Board or its constituent divisions. MOKKCC is, and to the best of my knowledge always has been, a member in good standing of Na Ohana O Na Hui Waa (NOONHW), an Oahu canoe racing association, and the Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association (HCRA), the governing body for competitive outrigger canoe racing in the state of Hawaii.

I have been an outrigger canoe paddler for over thirty years and have at times been an officer/board member of NOONHW and HCRA. I am presently the Vice President of NOONHW and also the Secretary of HCRA. But mostly, I am a friend of MOKKCC. I have known the Sanborn’s, a founding family of MOKKCC, since the mid-1990s and know them to be fierce competitors, compassionate mentors, and overall good people. They laid the groundwork for the club’s continued success with the next generation of club leaders, and as sorrowful as Uncle Randy’s passing in 2020 was for the club, the club continues to support Aunty Aloha and thrive as an organization.

The club’s current officers and directors have the same drive and spirit to keep the club viable for the North Shore residents that paddle with them. MOKKCC’s leadership puts the paddler first and instills kuleana values in its members. MOKKCC enjoys competitive success at NOONHW and at the annual HCRA State Championship Regatta held in August. Good things come to good people who do the right thing.

MOKKCC is a stable presence on the North Shore in Haleiwa and provides a safe haven for youth paddlers and positive healthy activity for adults of all ages and paddling experiences, from novices to seasoned veterans. The club is a quiet stakeholder that supports its community by participating in beach cleanups, the Waialua High School Carnival, and other area events.

The timing of NOONHW and HCRA board of directors’ meetings is such that a letter from either organization may take a month or more to transmit to the Board. Please do not hold our
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institutional delays against MOKKCC. We will transmit the association letters of support as soon as we can.

In closing, please give favorable consideration to any application that MOKKCC brings before the Board of Land and Natural Resources.

Sincerely,

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Although I only joined MOKKCC in 2019, paddling with Manu has had such an impact on my life. Manu has given me purpose, identity, health, and lifelong friendships. My life on Oahu has been changed forever for the good because of Manu.

Jackie Reiser

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