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State of Hawai'i  
Board of Land and Natural Resources  
1151 Punchbowl Street  
Honolulu, HI 96813

**Re: Testimony in Support of BLNR Agenda Item C(3)(1)(c)  
KHM International, up to \$1,050,000 (full funding) for the acquisition of  
approximately 7.193 acres at District of Molokai, Island of Molokai (Kalokoeli  
Shoreline), Tax Map Key Numbers (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007,  
008, 009, 011, and 044, with a conservation easement held by the County of  
Maui or other suitable entities.**

Aloha Acting Chair Kanaka'ole and Board Members,

Trust for Public Land ("TPL") is a non-profit land conservation organization and our mission is to protect land for people, ensuring healthy, livable communities for generations to come. For over 50 years we've worked to protect over 79,000 acres and 56 special places across Hawai'i. Our Aloha 'Āina Program protects lands that perpetuate Hawaiian culture and returns these lands to Native Hawaiian organizations for community and cultural stewardship. Our Sustainable Hawai'i Program conserves lands that support local food production, our forests and their native species, and clean water sources with the goal of improving Hawai'i's self-sufficiency, and food security.

**About the Project:** Trust for Public Land is assisting Ka Honua Momona International (KHM) to protect and purchase Kaloko'eli Shoreline for community and cultural stewardship. A chain of loko i'a (fishponds) once lined Moloka'i's southeast shoreline with one following another for many miles; exemplifying the ingenuity of Native Hawaiian resource management and reciprocal relationship with kānaka (people) and the collective ecosystem. Protecting and acquiring Kaloko'eli Shoreline will not only provide critically needed access to the Fishpond, but also enable KHM and the community to manage, protect, and restore the Fishpond, native habitat, remove invasive species, and create a space for 'āina and community to grow through community workdays and educational programming which will strengthen the communities' connection to this special wahi pana. KHM is committed to revitalizing traditional land management practices from mauka to makai (mountain to sea) and envisions Moloka'i can again return to abundance and become a self-sufficient model for others. (See attached factsheet and map for more information.)

**Landowner Negotiations:** The landowners signed a Willing Seller Letter which expresses their willingness to move forward with a conservation sale to TPL if an agreement can be reached on price and other terms. The landowners placed the property on the market a few years ago. Although it is currently not on the open market, the landowners expressed the urgency to sell due to personal reasons. If TPL and KHM can secure this funding, it will place TPL and KHM in a stronger position to negotiate and get the property under contract.

**Funding:** On January 16, 2026, the project was ranked #3 by the Legacy Land Conservation Commission. Formal approval of State LLCF funding by BLNR is needed to help move the project forward.

TPL and KHM have also been working on securing matching funds from the County of Maui, Open Space Program, funding subject to Council approval. The County Council are currently reviewing Mayor Richard Bissen's FY27 budget, which includes an appropriation of Open Space funds for Kaloko'eli Shoreline.

**Community Support:** Please see the enclosed: 14 Letters of Support from a wide range of nonprofit organizations, schools, elected officials, and community members, and 70 Petition signatures that overwhelmingly support the protection of Kaloko'eli Shoreline.

1. Kūpeke Ahupua'a
2. Alu Like
3. Nā Kamali'i Hoaloha Preschool
4. Maui Nui Makai Network
5. Ka Pohoima Kaeo
6. Rep. Mahina Poepoe, Hawai'i State House of Representative, District 13
7. Niles Soares
8. Keslon "Mac" Poepoe
9. Bobby Alcain
10. Molokai Occupational Center
11. Greg and Kris (Kiki) O'Shea
12. Josh Pastrana
13. Kua'āina Ulu 'Auamo
14. Leah Nakayama, Kindergarten Teacher, Kualapu'u School

We are now humbly asking for the BLNR to approve a grant award from available funds in the Legacy Land Conservation Fund to Ka Honua Momona International, up to \$1,050,000 to acquire the Kaloko'eli Shoreline property. Legacy Land funds should be used to protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline with the goal of returning this precious 'āina to community-led cultural stewardship for generations to come.

Mahalo nui loa,



Kamuela Kaapana  
Project Associate  
Trust for Public Land



# Kaloko'eli Shoreline

Kaloko'eli Shoreline, located in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i, is 7.14-acre property along Kaloko'eli Fishpond. Trust for Public Land (TPL) is partnering with nonprofit Ka Honua Momona and the Moloka'i community to fulfill the community's long held dream of preserving and protecting fishponds along Moloka'i's coastline. Ka Honua Momona is committed to revitalizing traditional land management practices from mauka to makai (mountain to sea) and envisions Moloka'i can again return to abundance and become a self-sufficient model for others.

## A Shoreline of Fishponds

A chain of loko i'a (fishponds) once lined Molokai's southeast shoreline with one following another for many miles; exemplifying the ingenuity of Native Hawaiian resource management and reciprocal relationship of the people of Moloka'i to their marine ecosystem. In 1901, it is said that there were at least 53 fishponds in Moloka'i.

Kaloko'eli Fishpond is a 27.6 acre loko kuapā (shoreline walled fishpond). Loko i'a not only provide food for communities, but more importantly, function as pu'uhonua (places of refuge) for spawning and juvenile fish to grow to maturity before returning to wild fisheries, so critical to subsistence livelihoods. Kaloko'eli Fishpond also provides wetland habitat for native birds. Native Hawaiian fishpond systems are a testament to Hawaiian innovation in aquaculture, engineering, hydrology, and biology.



## From Mauka to Makai

Fishponds are one of Hawaii’s most threatened cultural and ecological resources. They are critical to the health and vitality of the entire watershed; ensuring a pono relationship from mountain to sea.

Kaloko’eli Shoreline is currently overgrown with invasive species, such as mangrove. Removing and clearing the invasive species will provide the proper habitat for native species, from plants to animals, to return and thrive including naupaka, ‘ākulikuli, ‘alae ‘ula, ‘alae ke’oke’o, and ae’o, protect freshwater springs, and help mitigate runoff and sediment buildup.

Preventing development of this shoreline will enhance water quality, mitigate climate change impacts, help native species to return, and reduce runoff which all impacts the health of the land and the fishpond.

## Returning to Traditional Land Management

Once acquired, TPL will transfer the property to Ka Honua Momona, a Native Hawaiian nonprofit currently stewarding Kaloko’eli Fishpond, with the help of the community. Established in 2003, Ka Honua Momona has been integrating culturally grounded stewardship to protect Ali’i and Kaloko’eli Fishponds through restoration of the fishponds and its surrounding habitat. At both fishponds, the non-profit engages with ‘āina, students, families, and community in restoring fishpond walls, removing invasive species, replating native vegetation, all in way that honors cultural and ancestral knowledge.

If Kaloko’eli Shoreline is protected, it will anchor Ka Honua Momona as the stewards of Kaloko’eli Fishpond and allow the nonprofit to expand its work from the fishpond to the shoreline. This ‘āina will continue to grow as a living classroom hosting school and community groups, offering educational, hands-on experiences to strengthen communities’ connection to this special wahi pana. The County of Maui will hold a Conservation Easement over the property, protecting it in perpetuity.

## Conservation acquisition funding

- \$1.05M State Legacy Land Conservation Program (*pending*)
- \$350K County of Maui, Open Space, Natural Resources, Cultural Resources, and Scenic Views Preservation Fund (*pending*)

## About Trust for Public Land

Since 1979, Trust for Public Land has conserved over 79,000 acres throughout Hawai’i. Through our land protection efforts we partner with local communities to safeguard the lands and resources that are special to them. Our Aloha ‘Āina Program protects lands that perpetuate Hawaiian culture and returns these lands to Native Hawaiian stewardship.



### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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# Kaloko'eli Shoreline

ISLAND OF MOLOKA'I, HAWAII'

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# Kaloko'eli Shoreline

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## Kūpeke Ahupua'a

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October 19, 2025

Re: Support for Ka Honua Momona's purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Molokai.

Kupeke Ahupua'a is a Molokai-based Native Hawaiian organization dedicated to protecting and restoring the ahupua'a of Kupeke, a traditional land division of over 300 acres from mountain summit to nearshore reef fishery, with a mission of restoring and preserving cultural resources and native ecosystems, reinforcing environmental health and cultural identity for future generations.

Kupeke Ahupua'a strongly supports Ka Honua Momona International and Trust for Public Land's effort to purchase and protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline (7.19 acres, TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044) in Kamiloloa, Molokai.

The protection of these parcels is vital to advancing Ka Honua Momona's ongoing place-based stewardship, restoration and education efforts, which preserve traditional fishpond practices and strengthen community connections to 'āina and kai. Ka Honua Momona is a highly regarded Molokai organization, and a respected partner within the statewide network of fishpond restoration groups.

Kupeke Ahupua'a stands in support of this important effort to safeguard the cultural and natural resources of Molokai.

Mahalo nui,

La'a Poepoe  
Executive Director  
Kupeke Ahupua'a



ALU LIKE, Inc.

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P.O. Box 1859  
Kaunakakai, HI 96748  
Molokai Island Office  
808-650-2347

September 30, 2025

Re: Support for the protection and purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

To Whom it May Concern,

I Ekolu Ah Yee – Program Specialist III at ALU LIKE, Inc. Employment and Training Program on Molokai, strongly supports the Moloka'i community, Ka Honua Momona International, and Trust for Public Land's effort to purchase and protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline (7.19 acres, TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044) in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

Kaloko'eli Shoreline is strategically located along the bank of Kaloko'eli Fishponds and nearshore reef flats. This landscape is a continuous cultural and ecological corridor where kuapā (fishpond wall), reef, and coastal vegetation connect mauka to makai processes. Like many beloved shorelines across Hawai'i, Kaloko'eli Shoreline is threatened with sale and potential development. Protecting this property will empower the community and nonprofit Ka Honua Momona to protect and steward the cultural and natural resources of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, provide critical access to steward Kaloko'eli Fishpond, and secure the integrity of Kaloko'elis land and sea connection through restoration, educational programming, and community workdays.

Ka Honua Momona is a Native Hawaiian-led non-profit whose mission is to foster connection between all aspects of the island ecosystem including the people and culture, and firmly believes that Moloka'i can again return to abundance and become a self-sufficient model for others.

With appreciation,

Ekolu Ah Yee



## Nā Kamali'i Hoaloha Preschool

*He au wā kamali'i e pūlama 'ia nō*

670 Maunaloa HWY

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(808)553-8181

September 25, 2025

RE: Support for the protection and purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Kona, Molokai

To Whom It May Concern,

I am Sarah Ching the Director/Teacher of Nā Kamali'i Hoaloha preschool located in Kalama'ula Molokai. As an organization we strongly support the Moloka'i Community Ka Honua Momona International and Trust for Public Land's effort to purchase and protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline in Kamiloloa, Kona, Molokai.

As an educational organization, our haumana have been able to connect with ancestral cultural practices through the work of Ka Honua Momona INTL and their commitment to being stewards of the loko i'a of which they caretake. Kaloko'eli shoreline is strategically located along the bank of Kaloko'eli Fishpond and near shore reef flats. This fragile ecosystem is threatened by the sale of the surrounding land and potential development leaving our island haumana without necessary access to this critical living resource and the ancestral cultural knowledge it provides. Protecting this property will empower the community and non-profit Ka Honua Momona INTL to continue its work to protect and steward the cultural and natural resources of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, provide critical access to continue stewardship of Koloko'eli Fishpond, and secure the integrity of Kaloko'eli's land and sea connection through restoration, educational programming, and community workdays.

Ka Honua Momona INTL is a Native-Hawaiian led non-profit organization whose mission is to foster connection between all aspects of the island ecosystem including the people and culture from mauka to makai, (mountain to the sea), and they have our organizations full support.

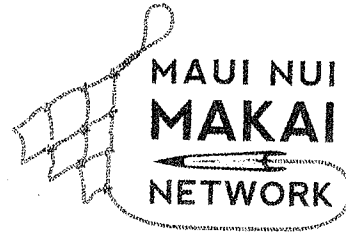
Me Ke Aloha,

*Sarah Ching*

Sarah Ching

Director/Teacher Nā Kamali'i Hoaloha

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October 10, 2025

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Re: Support for the protection and purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

To Whom it May Concern,

The Maui Nui Makai Network strongly supports the Moloka'i community, Ka Honua Momona International, and Trust for Public Land's effort to purchase and protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline (7.19 acres, TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044) in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

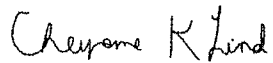
The Maui Nui Makai Network was formed in 2013 by six community organizations on Maui, Moloka'i and Lana'i as the first community-based marine conservation network in Maui Nui. Our mission is to connect communities across Maui Nui to care for and restore healthy ecosystems on which Hawai'i's people depend, and the Network is a reminder that each group working hard in their own communities is creating big changes collectively. Our purpose is to share and learn from our diverse experiences, lessons, and best practices to help member sites malama specific makai areas.

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With appreciation,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cheyenne Kamalei Lind".

Cheyenne Kamalei Lind, Chair

12/06/2025

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Re: Support for the protection and purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

To Whom it May Concern,

Ka Poholima Kaeo strongly supports the Moloka'i community, Ka Honua Momona International, and Trust for Public Land's effort to purchase and protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline (7.19 acres, TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044) in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

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With appreciation,

Trevor Kia'ioka'uhane Collier

Board President for Ka Poholima Kaeo



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Hale o nā Luna Makaʻāina*

STATE OF HAWAII

STATE CAPITOL

415 SOUTH BERETANIA STREET

HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

December 12, 2025

Legacy Land Conservation Commission  
Legacy Land Conservation Program  
Department of Land and Natural Resources  
Kalanimoku Building  
1151 Punchbowl Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

**RE: Letter of Support for Ka Honua Momona Acquisition of Shoreline Properties in Kaunakakai, Molokai.**

Aloha Commissioners,

As the State House Representative for District 13, which includes Molokai, I am writing to express my **strong support for Ka Honua Momona International** and the Trust for Public Land in their effort to purchase and permanently protect the Kalokoʻeli Shoreline—7.19 acres encompassing TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044—in Kamiloloa, Kona, Molokaʻi.

The Kalokoʻeli shoreline holds significant cultural, ecological, and community importance. With its fishponds and nearby reef flats, this shoreline forms a continuous corridor where the kuapā, reef ecosystems, and coastal landscape function together to sustain natural mauka-to-makai processes. Today, however, this shoreline faces the risk of being sold and developed. Maps show that a residential subdivision was likely envisioned for this area, and such plans could potentially reemerge. Development of this kind would severely compromise the wetlands, damage irreplaceable cultural resources, diminish ecological services, and directly conflict with the principles of sea level rise mitigation through managed retreat. Protecting these parcels permanently is crucial to safeguarding this ʻāina for the generations to come.


Ka Honua Momona is well established and committed to preserving Molokai's cultural heritage and restoring ecological resilience. This acquisition will further empower Ka Honua Momona to steward and safeguard the cultural and natural resources of the shoreline, maintain essential

Representative Mahina Poepoe  
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access for caring for the fishpond, and revitalize the mauka-to-makai connection through restoration work, educational programs, and community workdays.

For these reasons, I support the community's effort to acquire and preserve the Kaloko'eli Shoreline. Mahalo for your consideration of this important proposal.

Mahalo nui,



**Rep. Mahina Poepoe**

Hawai'i State House of Representatives, District 13

*Portion of Kahului, Pā'ia, Ha'ikū, East Maui, Molokai, Lāna'i, Kaho'olawe, Molokini*

Support for the protection and purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

To Whom it May Concern,

I, Niles Soares of Kamiloloa Ahupua'a, Molokai, Hawaii, strongly supports the Moloka'i community, Ka Honua Momona International, and Trust for Public Land's effort to purchase and protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline (7.19 acres, TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044) in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

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Ka Honua Momona is a Native Hawaiian-led non-profit whose mission is to foster connection between all aspects of the island ecosystem including the people and culture, and firmly believes that Moloka'i can again return to abundance and become a self-sufficient model for others.

Mahalo no kou manawa,

Niles Soares

October 10, 2025

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Re: Support for the protection and purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

Aloha nui,

My name is Kelson Poepoe, a lawai'a and kupuna who has spent his life learning from, caring for, and protecting the ocean resources of Moloka'i. I write in strong support of Ka Honua Momona International and the Trust for Public Land in their effort to purchase and protect the Kaloko'eli Shoreline (7.19 acres, TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044) in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

The Kaloko'eli Shoreline and its surrounding fishponds and reef flats are part of a living system; one that our kūpuna understood deeply. The flow from mauka to makai feeds the nearshore life that in turn feeds our people. These places are not just pieces of land or water; they are the heartbeat of our island's sustenance and culture. When the balance of these systems is disturbed, the ocean tells us. The fish disappear, the limu weakens, and the rhythm of our community changes.

Over the years, I have seen how quickly things can change when these shorelines are sold, developed, or cut off from community stewardship. Once access is lost, so too is the knowledge. Ka Honua Momona's leadership reflects the same values our ancestors held: mālama 'āina, aloha kai, and living pono. I support their conservational efforts and hope that others do as well.

Mahalo nui loa,

Kelson "Mac" Poepoe



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Re: Support for the protection and purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

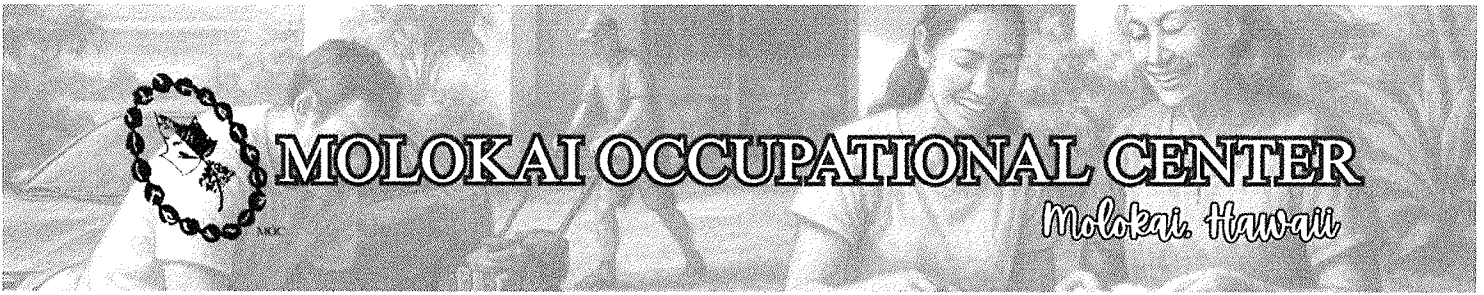
Aloha mai,

I, Bobby Alcain, a kupuna farmer and humble steward of 'Āina Pulapula, write in strong support of the efforts by Ka Honua Momona International and the Trust for Public Land to purchase and protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline (7.19 acres, TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044) in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

Today, like many shorelines across Hawai'i, this 'āina faces the threat of sale and development. If we lose it, we lose more than open space, we lose our connection to our ancestors, our traditions, and the knowledge that sustains us. Protecting Kaloko'eli will allow Ka Honua Momona and our community to continue the important work of restoration, education, and stewardship to keep the fishpond healthy, the reef thriving, and the people connected.

As a kanaka who works the land and sea, I see the value of this effort not only for us today, but for the generations yet to come. Ka Honua Momona, a Native Hawaiian-led organization, carries the vision that Moloka'i can once again live in abundance. I believe this effort to protect Kaloko'eli is one step closer to that vision.

Me ke aloha nui,  
  
Bobby Alcain



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Re: Strong Support for the Protection and Purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i

To Whom it May Concern,

I, Doreen Gaspar, Executive Director of the Molokai Occupational Center, strongly supports the Moloka'i community, Ka Honua Momona International, and Trust for Public Land's effort to purchase and protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline (7.19 acres, TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044) in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

As someone who lives and works to uplift our community, I have seen the power of collaboration and the importance of protecting spaces that nurture both our 'āina and our people. The effort to protect Kaloko'eli is not just about conserving land, it is about preserving our heritage, providing hands-on educational opportunities for our keiki, and ensuring access for stewardship, restoration, and community workdays that keep our culture thriving. Ka Honua Momona has shown time and again its dedication to restoring balance between people and place. Their leadership has inspired generations to mālama 'āina, to learn from the wisdom of our kūpuna, and to envision a sustainable future where Moloka'i remains a model of self-sufficiency and abundance.

On behalf of the Moloka'i Occupational Center, we stand in full support of this important effort. We believe that protecting Kaloko'eli Shoreline will strengthen our island's ability to care for our resources, educate our next generation, and ensure that our cultural practices endure for years to come.

Mahalo nui for your time, your consideration, and for joining in this collective effort to keep Moloka'i, and all of Hawai'i, pono.

With aloha,

Doreen "Pinky" Gaspar

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Trust for Public Land

Re: Letter of Support for Kaloko'eli Shoreline Stewardship

To Whom It May Concern,

We are writing to express our strong support for the protection of the Kaloko'eli Shoreline in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i, and for Ka Honua Momona International's role as a potential long-term steward of this 'āina.

As volunteers and members of the local Moloka'i community, we recognize the importance of ensuring that our shorelines remain protected, accessible, and cared for in ways that reflect community values, cultural practices, and long-term sustainability. Kaloko'eli holds deep cultural and environmental significance, and its protection is vital to maintaining the connection between land, sea, and people.

Ka Honua Momona has demonstrated a deep commitment to mālama 'āina through community engagement, education, and stewardship rooted in 'ike Hawai'i. We believe they would be thoughtful and responsible caretakers of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, acting in the best interest of both the land and the Moloka'i community.

*Mahalo for the opportunity to share our support for this important effort.*

With appreciation,

Greg and Kris (Kiki) O'Shea

808-462-7998

Volunteer/Community Member, Molokai

1/11/26

VIA EMAIL: [tiani@kahonuamomona.org](mailto:tiani@kahonuamomona.org)

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Re: Support for the protection and purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

To Whom it May Concern,

Aloha my name is Josh Pastrana im a kalo farmer here on Molokai. I've had the awesome opportunity to work for KHM back in 2013-2016 and recently I had the awesome opportunity to kokua again with their efforts in clearing Kalokoeli loko i'a in 2025. Their team has done an amazing job restoring both Ali'i and parts of Kalokoeli loko i'a that they have access to. Despite having a small team, what they've been able to accomplish with great community support has been absolutely amazing! It's a result of their hard work and continued community outreaching and education. I fully and strongly support Ka Honua Momona International, and Trust for Public Land's effort to purchase and protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline (7.19 acres, TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044) in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

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Mahalo nui,  
Josh Pastrana



January 12, 2026

**ATTN:** Tiani P. Cook  
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**SUBJECT:** Letter of Support for the Protection and Purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i

Aloha mai kākou,

Kua'āina Ulu 'Auamo (KUA) sends this letter in strong support of the Moloka'i community, Ka Honua Momona International, and Trust for Public Land's effort to purchase and protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline (7.19 acres, TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044) in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

Kua'āina Ulu 'Auamo (also known as KUA) means "grassroots growing through shared responsibility," and we serve as a facilitator, consultant, trainer, liaison, and tool-builder for grassroots community stewardship efforts. We work to increase our communities' resiliency, adaptation, and transformation through community-based biocultural resource management, currently supporting three major networks of: (1) over 40 mālama 'āina (caring for our 'āina or "that which feeds") community groups collectively referred to as E Alu Pū (moving forward together); (2) over 60 loko i'a (fishpond aquaculture systems unique to Hawai'i) and wai 'ōpae (anchialine pool systems) sites in varying stages of restoration and development, with numerous caretakers, stakeholders, and volunteers known as the Hui Mālama Loko I'a ("caretakers of fishponds"); and (3) the Limu Hui made up of over 50 loea (traditional experts) and practitioners in all things "limu" or locally-grown "seaweed." Our shared nu'ukia (vision) is to once again experience what our kūpuna (ancestors) referred to as 'ĀINA MOMONA – abundant and healthy ecological systems that sustain our communities' resilience and well-being.

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KHM has not only worked at its own place, but through this movement has helped restore and inspire many other loko i'a communities. KHM is also advised by cherished elders, some of whom strongly contributed to the creation of KUA in 2012.

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Please support the efforts of Ka Honua Momona and the community to purchase and protect these parcels along Kaloko'eli Shoreline for future generations to come.

'O ke aloha 'āina nō no nā kau ā kau, 'mau ā mau,

Kevin K.J. Chang  
Executive Director

Olan Leimomi Fisher  
Kua'āina Advocate

Brenda Lima  
Hui Mālama Loko I'a

January 13, 2026

Re: Support for the protection and purchase of Kaloko'eli Shoreline, Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

To Whom it May Concern,

Aloha. My name is Leah Nakayama and I am a kindergarten teacher at Kualapu'u Public Conversion Charter School on Molokai. I am writing this letter because I strongly support the Moloka'i community, Ka Honua Momona International, and Trust for Public Land's effort to purchase and protect Kaloko'eli Shoreline (7.19 acres, TMKs (2) 5-4-005:001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, 008, 009, 011, and 044) in Kamiloloa, Kona, Moloka'i.

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With much appreciation,  
Leah Nakayama  
Kindergarten Teacher  
Kualapu'u School  
(808)336-1350



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1	Torze-Brooke Kawzauhau-Puaa	808 462 0446	torzekp@gmail	Kaunakakai	NO	TBKP
2	Kylan-Jo Tanaka	(808) 658-1697	kylanjoTanaka@gmail	Kamiloloa	NO	KT
3	KANDIS PHILLIPS	(808) 213-5834	kaleinani21@gmail.com	KAUNAKAKAI	NO	KP
4	Tehani Kawzauhau-Puaa	808 462 2401	tehanikpuaa@gmail.	Kaunakakai	NO	TKP
5	Maika Rawlins	808-658-6593 Ma			NO	
6	Tiani Cook	202-658-0213	tiani@KahonuaMomona.org	Hoolehua	NO	TC
7	Shaye Lau'ifi	808-658-9322	shayeklauifi@gmail.com	Kaunakakai	NO	SL
8	Hoku Lu'olua	808 658 0631	hoku1981@gmail.com	Kamiloloa	Yes	HL
9	Sonya Domingo	808 658 1207	lavendarbutterfly73@gmail.com	Hoolehua	YES	SD
10	Kyle Domingo	213-5328	n/a	Hoolehua	YES	KD
11	Kanani Cablayan	808.658.1990	hamgvr1777@gmail.com	Kaunakakai	Yes	Ke
12	Shelby W. Kohani	808 658 0074			yes	SWK
13	Kera C. Kunt	808 658 5163			yes	KL
14	Kameka Mahuni	808 39 21442			yes	KJM
15	EKOLU AH YEE	808-658-6588	ekolu@hawaii.edu	kaunakakai	NO	EA
16	Ashley Smith	808 658 0000	uilani.smith128@gmail.com	kaunakakai	NO	AS
17	Cora Smith	808 658 9103	n/a	Kamiloloa	yes	CS
18	Sharon Samante	808 463 2881	sharonsamante@gmail.com	Kamiloloa	NO	SS
19	B. W. W.	808-336-6222		Kamiloloa	Yes	BD



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20	Rance Montzov	808-336-0111	rmontzov@gmail.com	Kam. Ioloa	YES	RM
21	Helena Pua	808-658-1249	—	Holehewa	yes	HP
22	Sarah Ching	210-238-9005	—	Kaunakakai	NO	SC
23	Josiah Ching	210-238-9007	—	Kaunakakai	no	JC
24	Keani Phillips	(808) 888-5318	—	Kaunakakai	No	KP
25	Shirley Burns	808-777-4546	loke1234@hotmail.com	Kahanaala	yes	SB
26	Leonard Burns	(808) 658-9117	leonardburns@yahoo.com	Kahanaala	yes	LB
27	Silvana Aki	213-1188	osilvana@gmail.com	H'ua	yes	SA
28	Fred Aki	213-1785	fredandaki808@gmail.com	H'ua	yes	FA
29	Loleta Taulanga	252-6878	losetataulanga@yahoo.com	H'ua	yes	LT
30	Crabina Davaudde	658-9774	henanirau@gmail.com	Kapaakea	Yes	CD
31	Naomi Bicoy	213-4830	naicoy8@gmail.com	Kaunakakai	Yes	NB
32	Christine Hanapi	658-5468	christhanapi2315@gmail.com	Kaunakakai	no	CH
33	Masina Borden	213-1194	masinaborden@gmail.com	Palaau	Yes	MBP
34	ELLY TAUCAYO	620-640-4462	ellytaucayo@gmail.com	Holehewa	NO	ET
35	Jaymi Place	868-1702	Jaymiplace@gmail.com	Maui/tehu	NO	JP
36	Kabradeen Bicoy	808-336-0731	KLBT Bicoy@yahoo.com	MAUNALOA	NO	VB
37	KEENA BICOY	808-658-0875	KBICOY1@gmail.com	MAUNALOA	NO	KB
38	Keilana Davaudde	658-9774	—	Maui/tehu	yes	KD



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39	Faataatia Lauifi, Jr.	658-9365	faataatia09@gmail	Kalamaua	Yes	FL
40	Nael Motas	658-1349		Kaanakakai	No	N
41	Lekili Burrows	213-1538	lekili.burrows1234@gmail.com	Kalamaua	Yes	LB
42	Reilani Peller	213-4771	r.pelkahlina@gmail.com	Kalamaua	NO	RR
43	Keely Dela Cruz	658-6305	"	Kalaie	NO	KDC
44	Ka'ailau Puailihau	658-6160		Hoo'lehua	Yes	KPD
45	Keoni Duffy	658-5591		Hookhua	No	KD
46	Vernon Puaa	658-0583		Hookhua	YES	VP
47	Hauoli Puaa	" "		Hookhua	YES	HP
48	Kakimaka Puaa-Aki	658-1249		Hookhua	YES	KPA
49	Kalaie Puaa	658-1249		Hoo'lehua	NO	EP
50	Nui LecWeeks	213-1015		Hoo'lehua	Yes	NLN
51	Shyloh Puaa	410-6447		Kaanakakai	No	SKP
52	BROOKE PUA A	4785415		HOO'EHUA	No	BKP
53	Darlynne Mollana	658-0704		Hoo'lehua	yes	DM
54	Georganna Malin	213-8368	georgannemalin@gmail.com		No	GM
55	STEPHANIE LAUIFI	646-1557	kapua.kalamaua@gmail.com	Kalamaua	Yes	SL
56	TONY LAUIFI	" "	kalamaua.live@gmail.com	Kalamaua	Yes	T.L
57	Sophia Menalo	342-1008				SM



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58	Isaac Gutierrez	514-8660		Kaunakakai	No	IG
59	Likete Lindsey	658 1082		Maunaloa	no	LL
60	Cheyenne Chong Mollena	2209460	CheyenneChong@gmail	Ko'olaupoko	no	CC
61	Wendel Iopa	2135820	WIMollena@gmail	Hoolehua	yes	WIM
62	Saige Mollena	↓	Saige.M@gmail	Kailua	no	SM
63	Sarah Mollena		Sarahmollena@gmail	Kailua	no	SM
64	Sianna Mollena		S.mollena@gmail	Kailua	no	SM
65	Seri Chong		Sheri.Chong@gmail	Ko'olaupoko	no	SC
66	Kouziyah Phillips		808-213-5834	KOUZYAH.PHILLIPS@gmail	Kaunakakai	NO
67	Kumncey Phillips	↓	Kumncey.Phillips@gmail	Kaunakakai	NO	KP
68	Kyarahyah Phillips		KYARAHYAH.Phillips@gmail	Kaunakakai	NO	KP
69	Keoki Kahana		8082135744		Hoolehua	yes
70	KEOKI KAHANA	8083085664		HOOLEHUA	YES	KK
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