



**Resolution of the
Puwalu ‘Eiwa, Ka Holomua ‘Ana o Ka ‘Aha Moku**
(Puwalu 9, Moving the ‘Aha Moku Forward)

Whereas the Puwalu ‘Eiwa, Ka Holomua ‘Ana O Ka ‘Aha Moku (Conference 9, Moving the ‘Aha Moku Forward) convened on November 28 and 29, 2016, in Honolulu with 60 ‘aha moku practitioners and experts from Manokalanipo (Kaua‘i), Moku o Kakuhihewa (Oahu), Moloka‘i Pule O‘o (Moloka‘i), Moku o Pi‘ilani (Maui), Aha Moku Maui Inc., Kohe Malamalama o Kanaloa (Kaho‘olawe), and Moku o Keawe (island of Hawai‘i);

Whereas the Puwalu participants reviewed the achievements and challenges since the inaugural Ho‘ohano I Nā Kūpuna Puwalu in August 2006, including State of Hawai‘i legislation that created the ‘Aha Kiole Advisory Committee to identify best practices of Native Hawaiian traditional resource management (Act 212 in 2007); that formally recognized the ‘aha moku system and created the ‘Aha Moku Advisory Committee (AMAC) to advise the State’s Board and Department of Land and Natural Resources (Act 288 in 2012); and that led to the development of the ‘Aha Moku Rules of Practice and Procedure for the AMAC (Senate Concurrent Resolution 55 in 2015);

Whereas the Puwalu participants acknowledge that, as described in Act 288, it is the kuleana of the ‘aha moku system to foster understanding and the practical use of knowledge, including Native Hawaiian methodology and expertise, to assure responsible stewardship and awareness of the interconnectedness of the clouds, forests, valleys, land, streams, fishponds, and sea; and that the ‘aha moku system will use community expertise and establish programs and projects to improve communication, provide training on stewardship issues throughout their region (moku), and increase education;

Whereas the Puwalu participants also further acknowledge our kuleana for wahi pana, wahi kapu, and traditional and generational practices;

Whereas the Puwalu participants reviewed and discussed the current state of the ‘aha moku system at the ahupua‘a/moku, island and State levels and found that the system is in need of public outreach and education, funding and administrative support to ensure the vitality of the system on all islands, but that funding for the activities of the ‘aha moku system has been given to date to the AMAC, which is ancillary to the system, providing advice and one communication conduit to the DLNR;

Whereas the Puwalu participants acknowledge that their ahupua‘a/ili/‘ohana and moku/island councils/committees/kiole can meet at the call of their chair or whatever the process is for their organization, and there is a need for more meetings at all levels and with the DLNR;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the participants of the Puwalu ‘Eiwa, Ka Holomua ‘Ana O Ka ‘Aha Moku support the creation of opportunities for direct funding of the ‘Aha Moku System at the ahupua‘a, moku and island levels from the Hawaii Tourism Authority,

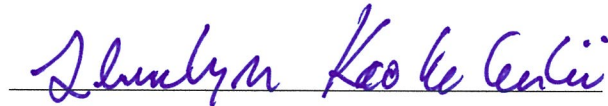
Office of Hawaiian Affairs and the Hawai'i State Legislature to strengthen the organization and functionality of the 'aha moku system, including the education of the kanaka, including the 'opio, in the knowledge and practices needed to sustain the system;

Be it further resolved that the Puwalu participants strongly support the 'Aha Moku Rules of Practice and Procedures for the AMAC, adopted on October 20, 2016; and

Be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be sent to all island 'aha moku councils/committees/kiolo, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, Hawaii Tourism Authority, county councils, mayors, and the State of Hawai'i Senate president, House speaker, and Governor.

Adopted by consensus on this the twenty-ninth day of November 2016 in Honolulu at the Puwalu `Eiwa, Ka Holomua Ana O Ka 'Aha Moku.

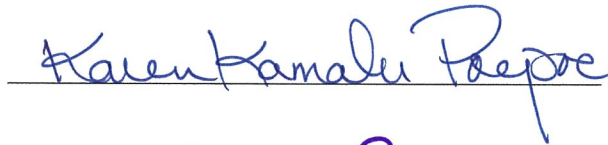
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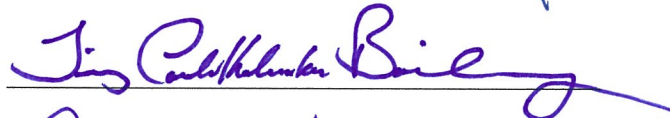
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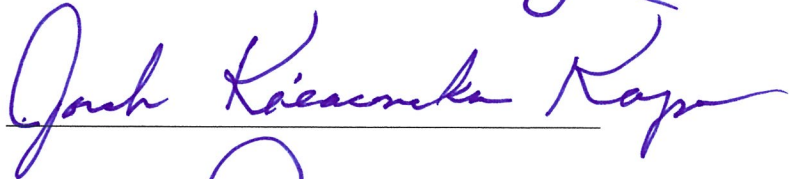
Moloka'i Pule O'o (Moloka'i)



Moku o Pi'ilani (Maui)



Aha Moku o Maui Inc. (Maui)



Kohe Malamalama o Kanaloa
(Kaho'olawe)



Moku o Keawe
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