

## KEAUKAHA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, TNC.



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Honorable Teresa Leger Fernandez, Chairwoman for SCIP

Aloha e Chairwoman Leger Fernandez and & distinguished members of the SCIP,

I am Patrick L. Kahawaiolaa, a native Hawaiian as defined pursuant to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, CHAP. 42 (*ch.42 stat 108*) 67<sup>th</sup> Congress...

... An Act To amend an Act entitled "An Act to provide a government for the Territory of Hawaii" approved April 30, 1900 as amended, to establish an Hawaiian Homes

Commission, granting certain powers to the board of harbor commissioners of the Territory, and for other purposes...Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled... codified July 9, 1921 by the 67th Congress ...

And now as the current president of the Keaukaha Community Association (KCA). We are the SECOND Hawaiian Home *residential lands* settled in the territory on <u>December 16, 1924</u>, with 61 settlers being awarded their lease for 99 years, one (1) day after the FIRST Hawaiian Home *residential* lands was settled in the territory on <u>December 15, 1924</u> on the island of Molokai at *Kalamaula*. We began as *Kuhio Settlement* and later on as described in...

Title 2, Section 203 (Public lands designated "Available Lands)...All public lands of the description and acreage, as follows, excluding (a) all lands within any forest reserve, (b) all cultivated sugar-cane, and (c) all public lands held under a certificate of occupation, homestead leases, right of purchase lease, or special homestead agreement, are hereby designated, and hereinafter referred to, as "AVAILABLE LANDS" ...



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As we were identified and became the <u>Komike O Ainahoopulapula ma Keaukaha...</u>
(<u>Keaukaha Community Association</u>)...and according to the 2010 Census there are 1457 people living there on the Keaukaha Reservation in approximately 470 homes,

Many of our current Homesteaders are 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> generation having <u>inherited</u> those award leases from the original 61 lessees through <u>Section 209</u>, (All successors subject to conditions on lessees)...

## THEREFORE A BRIEF HISTORY OF OUR TRUST LANDS IS WARRANTED.

Our <u>SUPPORT</u> for HJR 55 will be the same as it was in 1986 without questions as our na ohana (families) have through <u>intermarriages</u> continues to diminish the qualifications of a native Hawaiian whereby the qualifications based on <u>Section 201 (7)</u>, <u>the term "native</u> <u>Hawaiian" means any descendant of not less than one-half part of the blood of the races inhabiting the Hawaiian Islands previous to 1778, ... is again being diminished and like in 1986 by <u>State legislation</u> and the <u>Consent</u> of the Congress of the United States Senate and House of Representatives assembled, APPROVED AND CONSENTED TO THE <u>LOWERED</u> BLOOD QUANTUM in 1986 for the qualifications for a successor to <u>inherit</u> the continued use of the Tract awarded in a Lease to 25%.</u>

Therefore we are again coming to a crossroad, 36 years later we find ourselves in the same predicament, however CLOSER to the Vision our Beloved Alii (Prince) Jonah Kuhio Kalanianaole Piikoi, who's hard work on behalf of his people as a non- voting delegate from Hawaii to the House of Representatives in Congress from 1902 till his passing in 1922, whom He saw....languishing in the tenement buildings on Oahu, disenfranchised from their lands..."

knowing full well that 12 years earlier and now part of recorded history in January 17. 1893,128 years ago, his Aunt and then the reigning Monarch of these Hawaiian Islands Queen Liliuokalani, was OVERTHROWN by a group of Hawaii businessmen with the help of the United States...

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In 1993, the 103d Congress by (SJ Res. 19) 107 STAT. 1510 (Public Law 103-150) Nov. 23, 1993 the Apology resolution PASSED by the United States Congress CONCEDES that the overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom of Hawaii OCCURRED with the active participation of agents and citizens of the United States and [...] the native Hawaiian people never directly relinquished to the United States their claims to their INHERENT SOVEREIGNTY as a people over their national lands. Either through the Kingdom of Hawaii or through a plebiscite or referendum"

So in closing we the native Hawaiians who are direct descendents of the 10 generation who came before us, who like me and many others my age who's grandparents was alive and subjects of the Hawaiian Kingdom and their parent who because of them I "QUALIFY" as a *native Hawaiian* as defined in the Act of Congress the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920 as amended July 9, 1921, Section 201 (7)... we humbly ask a favorable response or action on HJR 55 by CONSENTING to amending the HHCA, 1920 as amended, lowering the blood quantum to 1/32.

"E hana pono... mai pono hana"
'Do what is right...Do not just do it"

If more information is needed I can be reached @ (808) 937-8217

'Owau me ka ha'aha'a (I humbly remain)

Patrick L. Kahawaiola'a

President Keaukaha Community Association (KCA)

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