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- Leilehua Yuen and Manu Josiah, native Hawaiian culture practitioners
- Mark Kadota is an International Amsterdam and Honolulu based multimedia and performance artist, musician and hula practitioner and 30-year Kalani supporter
- Marilyn Cristofori, Chief Executive Officer, Hawai`i Art Alliance
- Helene Hale, former County of Hawai`i Chairwoman (pre mayor position) and Council member
- Thomas Tunsch, curator of Islamic Art, State Museums, Berlin, Germany; helped with Berlin's Centennial of Kalākaua's visit.
- Russell Ruderman, Hawai`i State Senator; President, Island Naturals Markets; community and business leader
- Scott Laaback, chef and culinary instructor, Dragon's Eye Learning Center
- Adi Eli-Ad, Los Angeles and Hawai`i filmmaker who loves and promotes Hawaii's nature, culture and wellness offerings
- Arthur Johnsen, visual artist, depicts Hawaii's heritage, owns gallery in Hilo, 30 years of instruction at Kalani
- Daron Scarborough, founder-director of the Puna Men's Chorus, also Waikiki Health Center wellness counselor
- Michael Kruzich, San Francisco based mosaic and mural artist, frequent Kalani collaborator
- David Ellis, President, Board of Directors, Puna Men's Chorus
- Barcus Adams, Kalani Horticulture Manager, Kalani community resident, and leading member of lower Puna's Community Emergency Response Team and Hui O Puna Makai association of coastal communities.
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- Gerdine Markus, Founder-Director of Hilo's Pacific Academy of Music
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- Paul Porter supports of arts and education in Hawai`i and is an alaka'i leader in the Puna Men's Chorus
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- Mary Jane Koob is a wellness leader on O'ahu, based at the Ihilani Resort and with her own private practice.
- Tony Selvage is a master violinist, who plays frequently in Kalani and other Hawai`i concerts
- Ron Nickel, Civil Engineer and the State of Hawai`i DLNR's Director of Soil and Water Conservation for Puna
- Jack Law, Honolulu businessman and longtime civil rights supporter received the 2011 *Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Friends Award* from Hawaii Friends of Civil Rights.
- Leslie Lai: Owner Kaleo's Restaurant and active in Pāhoa's Downtown Improvement Association
- Stuart Blackburn: Huna Healing instructor, chef and frequent Kalani collaborator
- Deborah Welch, Treasurer, Dragon's Eye Learning Center, member of Dragon's Eye Farm
- Rea Fox is an events coordinator, performing artist and leader of dance activities on O'ahu
- David Sander, O'ahu and Hawai`i Island yoga instructor and massage therapist
- Jim Larson, is a Kalani steward, volunteer and also teaches English in China
- Jonathon Lopez, O'ahu native and Mr. Hula award winner is kumu at Kalani and Horticulture asst. manager
- Aleisha MacNaughton, is a Kalani student volunteer
- Mike Kutter, Board of Directors, Easton Mountain Retreat
- John Fritchie is a social services leader in his home state of North Carolina
- Fredrika Cornell Scopp
- Peter Schwab
- Dr. Judy Lorien McClenaghan, retired psychologist, is a regular Kalani volunteer
- William McDonnely, yoga instructor, TV personality, presents workshops at Kalani
- Geneviève Picard-Beaudoin, based in Montreal, is a nurse who has also volunteered at Kalani
- Ana Barroso, United Kingdom wellness practicioner
- Rev. Arthur Hakalani Pacheco
- Gary Jacobsson, C.M.R.F., C.A.S.
- Angelick Roy-Rouleau
- Venetia Featherstone-Witty
- Michael Pearson
- Kirby B Guyer, Hanalei
- Elias Zananiri is a Milwaukee and Hawai`i based performing artist and massage therapist
- Tuko Fujisaki is a Puna artist, and member of the Kalani board member and Arthur Johnsen Gallery
- Michael Allen is Kalani's security manager and Community Emergency Response Team supporter
- Patsy Dodd
- Cecelia Tavares
- Jared Owen Sam, Kalani workshops manager, yoga instructor, massage therapist
- Randolph McCreight, Kapoho "Pomalu" B&B owner
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To: senruderman@capitol.hawaii.gov; m.greenough@capitol.hawaii.gov; rephanohano@capitol.hawaii.gov; p.ryan@capitol.hawaii.gov; senespero@capitol.hawaii.gov; senbaker@capitol.hawaii.gov; sengaluteria@capitol.hawaii.gov; senslom@capitol.hawaii.gov; sengreen@capitol.hawaii.gov; senchunoakland@capitol.hawaii.gov; sennishihara@capitol.hawaii.gov; senhee@capitol.hawaii.gov; senshimabukuro@capitol.hawaii.gov; sengabbard@capitol.hawaii.gov; sensolomon@capitol.hawaii.gov; senihara@capitol.hawaii.gov; lj@kalani.com; richkoob@kalani.com; Tly@lava.net; repwooley@capitol.hawaii.gov; reponishi@capitol.hawaii.gov; repawana@Capitol.hawaii.gov; repbrower@capitol.hawaii.gov; repcachola@capitol.hawaii.gov; repchoy@capitol.hawaii.gov; reptokioka@capitol.hawaii.gov; reptsuji@capitol.hawaii.gov; repohno@capitol.hawaii.gov; repmatsumoto@capitol.hawaii.gov; repward@capitol.hawaii.gov; replowen@capitol.hawaii.gov; repevans@capitol.hawaii.gov; repcullen@capitol.hawaii.gov; repkawakami@capitol.hawaii.gov; repclee@capitol.hawaii.gov; repnishimoto@capitol.hawaii.gov; repsay@capitol.hawaii.gov; repfale@capitol.hawaii.gov; repthielen@capitol.hawaii.gov; repluke@capitol.hawaii.gov; epjohanson@capitol.hawaii.gov; rephashem@capitol.hawaii.gov; reping@capitol.hawaii.gov; repjordan@capitol.hawaii.gov; repkobayashi@capitol.hawaii.gov; repmorikawa@capitol.hawaii.gov; reptakayama@capitol.hawaii.gov; repwoodson@capitol.hawaii.gov; repyamashita@capitol.hawaii.gov; repfukumoto@capitol.hawaii.gov
Subject: support for SB2944, HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha nui honorable Hawaii Legislators,

On behalf of my ʻohana, please support **SB2944, HB1918** and **HB1919.** Educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai`i while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services. These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

Kalani Honua is indeed an example of holism in the context of good living and aloha for our aina. Kalani Honua and Richard Koob have been our neighbors in Keʻekeʻe, Kamaʻili, Puna for as long as I know. I am 47. They have been good caretakers of a portion of our family land. Kalani Honua is a model of the potential of education, business, sustainability, stewardship and community. Our family is also engaged, at many levels, in education, spirit and social-ecological wellbeing of our aina for ourselves and our moʻopuna. Our models of education, like Kalani Honua's, are grounded in the health of our aina and are anchored in our balanced participation with aina as elder. Hence, our educational and spiritual inspiration comes from participating with and caring for Aina as the model teacher and classroom. Our own traditions depend on the health of our ecological relationships.

It is my pleasure to provide this letter in support of **SB2944, HB1918** and **HB1919** and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

E Ola E Na Kini...sustained life for all,

Kekuhi Kealiikanakaoleohaililani

Assistant Professor, Hawaii Life Styles, Hawaii Community College

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The Senate

COMMENDS AND CONGRATULATES
RICHARD KOOB
ON HIS RE-FIRE-MENT

The Legislature of the State of Hawai'i takes great pride in recognizing outstanding individuals who have demonstrated a strong commitment to nurturing and educating people. **RICHARD KOOB,** founder and now Director Emeritus upon his "stepping up" into "re-fire-ment" from Kalani has graced Hawai'i with 38 years of service.

Raised in Minnesota, in a loving family of eight, **RICHARD KOOB** made his way to the shores of Hawai'i with his long-term companion and dancer Earnest Morgan in 1973, where they founded Kalani. Built on a vision of creating a retreat center focused on nature, culture, and wellness, Richard and Earnest realized that dream in Puna.

Kalani, is an educational non-profit 501(c)(3) based on Richard's support of "social enterprise" where, non-profits apply market-based strategies to achieve a social purpose. Kalani's extensive community arts program offers more than 50 classes a week free or by donation to local residents, ranging from twelve styles of yoga, to Hawaiian culture classes, dance and performing arts, wellness, and personal growth. The organization also purchases the majority of their produce from local farmers, creates jobs and a strong community.

Richard's involvements over the years have included serving as the State's Arts Coordinator for Hawai'i Island, instructing dance at UH campuses, promoting understanding and appreciation of the Hawaiian culture amongst non-native people as a way to connect spiritually with the land. He has also been involved with the founding of KAPONO, the Kalapana-Pohoiki Neighborhood Organization, as well as working to designate Highway 137 as a scenic byway to ensure it is protected for generations to come.

The Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, hereby commends and congratulates **RICHARD KOOB** for his pursuit of excellence, the lasting legacy he leaves at Kalani, in the Puna community, and with the people that have been transformed from their experience at Kalani and extends its very best wishes for continued health, happiness and fulfillment in his retirement.

Done this 6th day of July 2013
State Capitol, Honolulu, Hawai'i

Josh Green M.D.
Josh Green, Sponsoring Senator

Russell E. Ruderman, Sponsoring Senator

Gilbert Kahele, Sponsoring Senator

Donna Mercado Kim, President of the Senate

Malama Solomon, Sponsoring Senator

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State of Hawaii
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
1428 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814-2512

October 10, 2011

To Whom It May Concern:

It is a pleasure to support the activities of Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat Village). The program has long track record for cultivating island agriculture with reverence to Native Hawaiian cultural practices. The center's focus on wellness and education engage well with the agricultural activities and their program reaches more than 30,000 people per year. In addition, the program has been a unique model for agritourism on Hawai`i Island and in the state.

With a history of 36 years, Kalani Honua continues to be a positive influence in local agriculture, while promoting cultural awareness and general wellness. Support for the program will allow many more to appreciate the importance of Hawai`i agriculture in our daily lives.

Sincerely,

RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN
Chairperson

Island Fresh

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October 6, 2011

To: Whom It May Concern:

From: William Moekahi Steiner, Dean

CAFNRM

Re: Support letter for Kalani Honua

Kalani Honua's (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat Village) has for the last 36 years provided the Big Island of Hawaii with culture, educational outreach and wellness services in a Retreat format. Kalani's programs reach over 30,000 participants per year and, since its founding, Kalani has served over 2 million home grown meals and boosted the local economy by over $100 million. Over the years I have been asked to attend some of these experiences and have presented educational material to attendees for their programs.

Kalani Honua has the experience, the resources, and the passion to drive agritourism on the Big Island, while incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. Their village retreat can house individuals in self contained units that utilize a central food plaza and kitchen for shared meals. I very much support their attempts to build Agritourism on the Island, a very much needed service as Hawaii explores the ways it can utilize to build food security in economic times that are harsh and uncertain. Hawaii imports 85% of its food, and anything that can promote food security is extremely welcome.

Please contact me at the numbers or address below should you have any questions.

Aloha



College of Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resource Management
200 West Kawili Street
Hilo, HI 96720

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FAYE P. HANOHANO

STATE OF HAWAI`I
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415 SOUTH BERETANIA STREET
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

December 15, 2011

Kalani Oceanside Retreat

12-6860 Kalapana-Kapoho Beach Road

Pahoa, HI 96778

'Ano 'ai ke aloha,

I am providing this letter in support for Kalani Oceanside Retreat, 2012 educational festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and land use commission special use approval for consolidated and expanded educational retreat operations. These educational opportunities are tools that implements the growth of admiration and respect towards our Native Hawaiian Culture and our land. It will also provide the continuity, consistency and stability of success towards tourism in our community. We must acknowledge those individuals whom projects dedication to live the life of aloha and share it with the world.

Holomua Pu Kakou

Let's move forward together!

Representative Faye P. Hanohano
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 303
415 S. Beretania St.
Honolulu, HI 96813

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October 11, 2011

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani – Empowering Puna Through Intercultural Harmony

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of Kalani's program, *Empowering Puna Through Intercultural Harmony*. Kalani has been an important anchor, both economically and socially, in the Puna district, since its inception 36 years ago. The services Kalani provides to the surrounding community are deeply needed, in a district of our Island that endures poverty and its related challenges.

I have been involved with performing arts in Hawai'i for the past 35 years, and have seen the power of the arts to inspire, and to teach harmony and respect. In particular, when people from diverse backgrounds come together to create meaningful projects together, it fosters deeper understanding both amongst the participants, and their audience – the surrounding community.

I was honored to be an instructor for the 2011 Kalani Performing Arts Festival, and can assure you that the creative and collaborative process developed there by Wailana Simcock and the Kalani team is truly innovative. With a schedule of extensive commitments to the University of Hawai'i, I am very selective of the projects I am able to support. This project was at the top of my list.

In addition, I am excited to learn of Kalani's plans for their monthly Nā Kūpuna talk story series. This series will, by its nature, draw large numbers to learn from our elders, and provide a platform to further empower our people to improve their lives.

Please support Kalani's important projects here on the Big Island. The benefits to the community will be significant.

'O au me ka 'o ia i'o,

Jackie Pualani Johnson

*** signed electronically***

Jackie Pualani Johnson
Professor of Drama
Chair, Performing Arts Department

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Liberal Arts

October 13, 2011

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am writing this letter of support for Kalani Honua dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat Village. I was involved in the beginnings of KH 36 years ago and have participated and watched it develop into an amazing center for culture and the arts and a model for sustainable agrarian living.

Any funding you can provide to assist their programs will be well deserved as they have held many workshops, events, and activities which have contributed to the growth and welfare of the island and its people as well as being a leader in eco-tourism and sustainable living. The fact that 95% of KH's 20 acres is devoted to nurseries, gardens, pastures, forest preserve and supporting facilities using alternative energy sources is testament to their commitment to a green philosophy and love and respect for the aina. Food security is a growing concern around the world and critical to Hawai`i which imports 85% of their food. Besides a vibrant culinary program which has served over 2 million home grown meals over 30 years of operation, they have begun to incorporate more agriculture classes, herb and food production operations which shows an even deeper commitment to sustainable living.

Furthermore, KH's endeavors in sustainable living are firmly rooted in the best of intercultural values which promote harmony between humans and the earth.

Sincerely,

Trina Nahm-Mijo

Trina Nahm-Mijo
Professor/Chair of Social Science Dept.

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From: cohmayor@co.hawaii.hi.us [mailto:cohmayor@co.hawaii.hi.us]
Sent: Thursday, October 04, 2012 4:28 PM
To: drew@kalani.com
Subject: RE: Mayor's Quote - Kalani's community contributions

Aloha Drew,

"Kalani Honua has for many years made valuable contributions to the people and the communities of Puna."

Mahalo

Billy

Billy Kenoi,
Hawai`i Island Mayor

Fred Blas
Council Member
Council District 5

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25 Aupuni Street
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Hawai'i County Council
County of Hawai'i

December 19, 2011

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and
Land Use Commission special use approval for educational retreat operations.

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support for Kalani's 2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for consolidated and expanded educational retreat operations.

Kalani has been an important anchor, both economically and socially in the Puna district as a model of sustainability, while combining tourism, cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in a district that endures poverty and its related challenges.

Please support Kalani's important projects on Hawai`i, the Big Island. Kalani has the experience, the resources, and the passion to drive agritourism, while incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. I very much support their educational programs and leadership in sustainable community. I am excited about the opportunities for public education and international understanding that these programs provide.

Mahalo,

Fred Blas

October 7, 2011

To whom it may concern:

RE: Support of Kalani Honua

I have known the Kalani Honua project for more than 30 years. The team assembled by Mr. Richard Koob has hosted many workshops and community educational activities during this period, benefiting – by their estimate – close to 2 million contacts. In recent years, their work has taken on an increasing sustainable character, including agriculture classes, herb and food production operations, and workshops involving Hawaiian and Native American cultures. They have involved over a hundred farming, fishing, and business collaborators in the neighboring communities. Their operation has become a popular agro- & eco-tourism destination bringing many visitors to the Big Island for activities as diverse as culinary festivals, yoga workshops, and music and dance performances, and wellness classes.

Of the nearly 20 acres that is Kalani Honua about 95% is largely devoted to nursery, gardens, botanical collections, pasture, forest preserve, and supporting facilities, including water storage, roadways, a photovoltaic system, and equipment storage and maintenance buildings. About one percent of the space is used for clustered units used for retreats, an information center, and the educational facilities. The adjacent Kalani Kai property I am not familiar with, but it is similarly structured. All in all, the operations are very green and sustainable in both philosophy and practice.

Kalani Honua makes significant contributions to the communities of the Big Island and is a positive influence on the young people who gather there for various activities. I especially commend their sustainable agricultural outlook and operations.

Sincerely,



Richard A. Criley
Emeritus Professor of Horticulture
University of Hawai`i Manoa
725 Piikoi St., #801
Honolulu, HI 96814

November 3, 2012

Re: Support for the Puna Music Festival

To whom it may concern,

Please count us among the many who support Kalani's stewardship of the *Puna Music Festival*. Puna is a culturally important area for music and performing arts. In some traditions, the art of hula was instituted at Ha`ena in Puna, and Puna is home to some of our beloved musical families, such as the Pavao and Keli`iho`omalu families, and is even associated with the Beamer `ohana. Yet, with this strong musical tradition, the community remains underserved in music education and development.

One of the outstanding entities supporting music in Puna is Kalani. I remember working with Aunty Nona Beamer on numerous projects to promote literacy in Puna through music. Kalani was consistently supportive. Today, Manu and I appreciate the innovative approach Kalani has taken with the *Puna Music Festival* to preserve, perpetuate, and expand the music traditions of Puna. The festival has received local and international attention, which benefits not only Puna, but the entire island.

At various times, one or both of us have been involved with Kalani's Hawaiian culture programs since 1994. Most recently we participated in the 2012 festival. We believe that the work Kalani is doing in lower Puna is important and empowering. They consistently employ local musicians, offering fair compensation, and treating musicians and practitioners with respect and dignity.

Kalani has been a responsible, credible voice in the preservation, promotion, and celebration of Hawaiian culture, and their efforts are to be commended.

The Puna Music Festival is a vibrant contribution not just to Puna, but to Hawai`i Island. We encourage the County of Hawai`i and Hawaiian Tourism Authority to give the Puna Music Festival their full support.

Malama pono,

Leilehua Yuen and Manu Josiah
Native Hawaiian Cultural Practitioners

P.O. Box 1199
Hilo, HI 96721

Note: Mark Kadota is an international culture and arts leader, and a Kalani governing board member. http://www.markkadota.com/

From: Mark Kadota [mailto:mfk@markkadota.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2011 10:47 PM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Aloha, support

I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and
Land Use Commission special use approval for educational retreat operations.

I have been involved with Kalani Honua since 1983. I have always been impressed with the vision and creation of this very important and inspiring retreat center. It has attracted people from all around the world and continues to reach around 30,000 participants per year. The programs have helped many people have a better understanding of our beautiful Hawaiian culture and traditions. The balance of the loving environment with the wonderful and healthy cuisine is a powerful combination.

Kalani also helps support our economy by bringing in visitors and supporting our local farmers. It has helped generate monies in this economy to our Hawaiian community.

I strongly support all the hard work that has been generated to create and maintain this special vision.

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support for Kalani's 2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for consolidated and expanded educational retreat operations.

Kalani has been an important anchor, both economically and socially in the Puna district as a model of sustainability, while combining tourism, cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in a district that endures poverty and its related challenges.

I have collaborated with Kalani's innovative team on previous projects, and I continue to be inspired by their ability to attract people from diverse backgrounds to successfully create meaningful projects while fostering deeper understanding both amongst the participants, and their audiences – the surrounding community and thousands of Hawai`i, national, and international visitors.

Please support Kalani's important projects here on the Big Island. Kalani has the experience, the resources, and the passion to drive agritourism, while incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. I very much support their educational programs and leadership in sustainable community. I am excited about the opportunities for public education and international understanding that these programs provide.

Mahalo,

Mark Kadota

Please feel free to contact me. mfk@markkadota.com

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LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR KALANI HONUA

To Whom It May Concern: **November 7, 2011**

It is an honor to support the program, *Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive.* For many years, the Kalani Oceanside Retreat Village has been providing programs that nurture and support the community while promoting Hawaiian values and the arts. Agrotourism is the cornerstone of Hawai'i Island economy and there is no better ambassador of reverence for the land and passion for the environment than Kalani Honua. Kalani has a proven record of success and the resources to make wonderful things happen.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Cristofori

Marilyn Cristofori
Chief Executive Officer
Hawai'i Art Alliance

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I support Kalani's innovative team and am inspired by their ability to attract people from diverse backgrounds to successfully create meaningful projects while fostering deeper understanding both amongst the participants, and their audiences - the surrounding community and thousands of Hawai`i, national, and international visitors.

Please support Kalani's important projects on Hawai`i, the Big Island. Kalani has the experience, the resources, and the passion to drive agritourism, while incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. I very much support their educational programs and leadership in sustainable community. I am excited about the opportunities for public education and international understanding that these programs provide.

Mahalo,

Helene Hale

3/14/12

-----Original Message-----
From: Thomas Tunsch [mailto:th_t@gmx.net]
Sent: Friday, November 04, 2011 6:55 AM
To: paul.latino@kalani.com
Cc: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject: KALANI CPEP & LUC 2012 - letter of support

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat) 2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for educational retreat operations.

I, Thomas Tunsch, curator of Islamic Art at the Staatliche Museen zu Berlin (State Museums, Berlin, Germany), Prussian Cultural Heritage Foundation, support the 3 programs that Kalani is proposing! The programs are the

* 2nd Annual Puna Music Festival in April/May 2012
* 3rd Annual Kalani Performing Arts Festival (KPAF3) in July 2012
* 2nd Annual Puna Chefs' and Farmers' Culinary Festival in October 2012

I attended Hula Heritage programs at Kalani before, which brought visitors to the Big Island, and I am excited at the opportunities for public education and international understanding that these programs will provide.

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Mahalo,

Thomas Tunsch

Thomas Tunsch
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From: Russell Ruderman [mailto:russell@islandnaturals.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2011 9:32 AM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Support Letter

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Kalani is also a vital influence in bringing visitors and residents alike together in Puna. Kalani uses local products and supports local businesses, and drives many visitors to our local businesses as well. Kalani's reputation in the community over the decades is excellent- Everyone knows Kalani's events will be professionally organized and welcoming to the entire diversity of Puna's residents, as well as the many visitors they bring from around the world to experience the unique hospitality of this fine Puna institution.

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Mahalo,

Russell Ruderman, President
Island Naturals Markets
1221 Kilauea Ave #170
Hilo HI 96720 808-443-1703

NB: Scott Laaback – is a chef and culinary instructor. See Puna **Chefs**' and Farmers' Culinary Festival – Detailed Schedule **...**
www.kalani.com/node/1045**Chef** and instructor **Scott Laaback** will lead this exciting culinary class focused on unusual produce from the region. Students will prepare jackfruit seed hummus **...**

[PDF] Puna's rich, abundant resources figure in rejuvenating retreatwww.kalani.com/.../puna**chefs**andfarmersculinaryfestival_staradvertis...

From: s laaback [mailto:slaaback@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, November 12, 2011 8:59 AM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject: RE: Aloha, please rsvp (urgent)

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Mahalo,

Scott G. Laaback

NB: Adi Eli-Ad is a filmmaker who loves and promotes Hawaii's nature, culture and wellness offerings.

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adiwood.com/bio/

Adi Ell-Ad is an independent Producer/Editor with over two decades of **...** and was mentored by such notable talents as film **director** George Roy Hill (Sting, Butch **...**

From: Adi Ell-Ad [mailto:adiwood@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2011 4:52 PM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Aloha, please rsvp (urgent)

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Mahalo,

Adi Ell-Ad

NB: Arthur Johnsen is one of Hawaii's most beloved artist, and a master at depicting Hawaiian heritage.

1. ***Arthur Johnsen*** Gallery
   arthurjohnsengallery.com/

   Arthur Johnsen Gallery. Located in historic downtown Hilo, ***Hawai***'i. We are a group of artists residing on the Big Island, and we rotate shifts so that you can **...**

2. ***Arthur Johnsen*** - ***HawaiiArt***.com
   www.hawaiiart.com/pages/Arthur-Johnsen.html

   Arthur Johnsen. I am a keiki o ka'aina -- a child of the ***Hawaiian*** Islands -- born and raised on the island of O'ahu. My artwork is shaped by the memories of **...**

From: arthur johnsen [mailto:arthurjohnsen@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2011 5:02 PM
To: Richard Koob
Subject: RE: Support letter

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Mahalo,

Arthur Johnsen

Daron Scarborough
12-541 Kaimu Street, Pahoa, HI 96778
(808) 965-8311

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Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat) 2012 educational festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for educational retreat operations.

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Kalani has played an instrumental role in my settling into life on the Big Island. After four plus years in Honolulu and graduating from UH Manoa, I feel I barely breached the surface of my knowledge of local culture, the Hawaiian way of life, and how I as an individual fit into community both locally and globally. I was introduced to Kalani immediately upon moving to Pahoa twelve years ago. Through Kalani's programs and activities, support of local culture, and ways of operating and cultivating the land, I have found my island 'Ohana, I have learned the Hula and some Hawaiian language, and I have learned to be grateful and caring for this beautiful land that provides.

Also, Kalani has greatly supported me in my work as a healthcare provider with Bay Clinics and the Waikiki Health Center and with the community arts group I founded in 2007 called the Puna Men's Chorus. I have personally witnessed Kalani's educational programs transform the lives of literally thousands of people, including my own, on the island and abroad. This is a powerful island and area we live in and Kalani fits right in as a powerfully transformative, educational, uplifting place.

Please support Kalani's many offerings here on the Big Island as I do.

Mahalo,



Daron Scarborough

Founder, www.PunaMensChorus.org

From: Michael Kruzich [mailto:kruzline@insf.net]
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 8:59 AM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Aloha, please rsvp (urgent)

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Mahalo,

Michael J Kruzich; Mosaicist

Michael Kruzich
kruzline@insf.net
http://mkmosaics.com

NB: David is a community leader and on the Board of Directors of www.PunaMensChorus.org

From: David Ellis [mailto:davidmcellis@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 8:29 AM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Aloha, please rsvp (urgent)

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Mahalo,

David M Ellis,

12-7124 Kalapana Kapoho Rd, Pahoa HI 96778, 965 0505

NB: Barcus is Manager of Horticulture at Kalani

From: Barcus Adams [mailto:barcus_a@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2011 5:17 PM
To: richard koob
Subject: LUC support

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
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Land Use Commission special use approval for educational retreat operations.

Aloha Richard. You ask for letters of support, I believe I could write a short novella of support for your request before the LUC. Kalani has been nothing short of a life saver/changer for me. I came to Hawai'i in 1999 and was not able to stay long enough to summon what I needed to come to Kalani. I returned to the Big Island in 2003 and Na Kupuna sent me directly on to Kalani. I was under a spell the moment I sat foot on Kalani grounds. I came to play a game of volley ball, which I did, and never really left. I mean sure I went to my home that night, but I was back the next day and the day after that and after that. In short it was but 2 weeks that it took me to ask about being a volunteer here. You accepted and I have not left since then. I have a hard time imagining moving elsewhere. I have been transformed here from a person who wanted to disappear from life to a person who has a desire to be in community. I have donated a lot of time to Kalani's Horticulture dept. but I have been inspired by your directorship of Kalani to give back even more. I have become a member of CERT and Hui 'O Puna Makai. I have applied for membership to the board of the Puna Community Development Plan commission. I have put on art shows and participated in many others. I have given tours to visitor and students alike every Monday for 6 yrs now. Because of Kalani, I get to introduce the āina, our land and all the flora and fauna that call it home as well, to thousands of guests who have come to Kalani from the around the world. I get to see the joy on their faces after the tour. Those smiles tell me they will never forget their experience here at Kalani/Hawai'i. I have also seen the smile of those in our local community that have attended cultural events held at Kalani over the years. The list, hence the novella, could go on forever. I would like to mention the cultural classes of hula, olelo, lauhala weaving, lei making and yet still more, but I know I should not run on and on. So a novella I will not write...yet, but I do want to express my sincerest mahalo to you and Kalani and yes you have my support ever more deeply still.

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Mahalo,

Barcus Adams

Kalani, Big Island, Hawai'i

From: Christina [mailto:krysinge@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2011 9:10 AM
To: Richard
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Mahalo,

Christina Ingenito

From: Gerdine Markus [mailto:gerdine@pandaproductionshawaii.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2011 9:03 AM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Aloha, please rsvp (urgent)

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Mahalo,

Gerdine Markus

Founder-Director www.pacificacademyofmusic.com

From: Tiffany Edwards Hunt [mailto:newswoman@mac.com]
Sent: Saturday, November 12, 2011 6:07 PM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Aloha, please rsvp (urgent)

Tiffany Edwards Hunt
(808)938-8592
Newswoman@Mac.com Www.bigislandchronicle.com

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Tiffany Edwards Hunt

POB 557

Kurtistown, HI 96760

From: TerraAnn [mailto:terra@hawaiiansanctuary.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2011 3:45 PM
To: Richard
Subject: I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

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Mahalo,

Steven D. Lund

Hawaiian Sanctuary, Inc.

714.206.0558

From: Lovely Terra Ann [mailto:terra_ann@mac.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2011 3:05 PM
To: Richard
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With Aloha,

Lovely Terra Ann

Cloud Nine Yoga Studio & School, E-RYT 200
www.CloudNineYoga.com
310.261.2587 (mobile)

From: Robert Kirk [mailto:punabob@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2011 7:29 PM

To: Richard
Subject: Support for Kalani

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Mahalo,

Bob Kirk

Kirk Construction

Office/Cell 808-333-0681

Fax 808-965-7569

www.punabuilder.com

From: eiji inoue [mailto:einoue808@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, November 18, 2011 2:43 AM
To: Richard
Subject: support letter for Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

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It's role to support members in and out of the local community by giving them a place of refuge, relaxation and understanding traditional values is truly inspirational. Kalani has promoted various local and mainland artist, practitioners and helpers in various disciplines alike. Creating the best retreat for mental and physical awareness on the east side of the big island.

Mahalo Nui Loa,

Micah Inoue

UH Student Commissioner on LGBT Equality
UHH Student Rep on Gender Identity & Equality
2010 Hawaii ACLU awardee for Student Advocacy
(These opinions and views expressed represent those of the individual and not the UH system in any shape or form)

NB: Steven Jacquier is an Agriculture, Research, Education professor, University of Alaska, and member of Puna Men's Chorus

-----Original Message-----
From: Steven Jacquier [mailto:stevenjacquier@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2011 11:04 PM
To: Richard
Subject: I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

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NB: Paul Porter is an active supporter of arts and education in Hawai`i and an alaka'i leader in the Puna Men's Chorus

From: Paul Porter [mailto:paupor@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2011 2:50 AM
To: Richard Koob
Subject: RE: urgent, Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

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Paul C. Porter

From: Hutt Bush [mailto:hutt@huttbush.com]
Sent: Monday, November 14, 2011 2:36 PM
To: Richard Koob
Subject: Fwd: Aloha, please rsvp (urgent)

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E. B. Hutt Bush
Founder-Director BeingPoint.com SoulSpace.com

NB – Mary Jane Koob is a wellness leader on O'ahu, based at the Ihilani Resort and with her own private practice.

From: Mary Jane Koob [mailto:koobm001@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Sunday, November 13, 2011 6:47 AM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Aloha please rsvp (urgent)

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Mary Jane Koob

NB: Tony is a master violinist, who plays frequently in Kalani and other Hawai`i concerts.

From: healing_music@vzw.blackberry.net [mailto:healing_music@vzw.blackberry.net]
Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2011 10:26 PM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Aloha, please rsvp (urgent)

Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

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Tony Selvage

NB: Ron is a Civil Engineer and the State of Hawai`i DLNR's Director of Soil and Water Conservation for Puna

From: Ronald Nickel [mailto:lavamanhi@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, November 19, 2011 8:47 AM
To: Richard
Subject: letter

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Ronald Nickel

NB: Jack Law, Honolulu businessman and longtime civil rights supporter received the 2011 *Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Friends Award* from Hawaii Friends of Civil Rights.

From: Jack Law [mailto:jlawhnl@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 23, 2011 3:04 PM
To: Richard Koob
Subject: Kalani Honua has put Puna in the world View

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Mahalo,

Jack Law

NB: Leslie is owner of Kaleo's Restaurant and active in Pāhoa's Downtown Improvement Association

From: leslie lai [mailto:mauilai@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2011 3:12 PM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Aloha, please rsvp (urgent)

I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

To Whom It May Concern,

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Mahalo,

Leslie Lai

November 8, 2011

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani ‘s 2012 Festivals

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support for Kalani’s proposals to host several 2012 festivals, including the 2nd Annual Puna Music Festival, the 3rd Annual Kalani Performing Arts Festival and the 2nd Annual Puna Chefs’ and Farmers’ Culinary Festival

Kalani is an important part of a very unusual area in Hawaii. Lower Puna is particularly isolated, the nearest grocery store is 25 minutes away, and the community here is without the common amenities of town life. Kalani’s part in our lives is as a center for culture, inspiration, and education. It attracts people from all over the world and serves them as a model for a more sustainable and healthy lifestyle. For those of us locals it provides us with much of the infrastructure for maintaining healthy sustainable lives here.

I have collaborated with Kalani on previous projects, and I continue to be enthusiastic about the projects and events that are presented there. It is a marvelous resource that deserves to be supported on a State level. I encourage you to help us here in Lower Puna to grow and develop this important asset.

Mahalo,

Stewart Blackburn 808-965-0940

-----Original Message-----
From: DELC [mailto:info@dragonseyecenter.org]
Sent: Thursday, October 06, 2011 11:18 PM

To: drew@kalani.com
Subject: Kaika from DELC: letter

Aloha,

My name is Debra Welch, I am treasurer of Dragon's Eye Learning Center
501 (c)(3), in the Puna district of Hawaii, with the mission of providing educational experiences of cooperative and sustainable agricultural and economics systems. The Learning Center operates in conjunction with Dragon's Eye Farm, a research site for Korean Natural Farming, aquaponics, Black Soldier Fly cultivation, home to a local 4H club, and various other projects.

We are excited and in support of Kalani's initiative which we believe would strengthen agricultural tourism in our area of the island.
Speaking from the perspective of our own organization and farm, we have just recently reached a place where we are ready to interface with the broader community. Our first monthly farm tour last week brought in 20 individuals.
In the past several years, the center has hosted 25 workshops; coming up in December we have reserved workshop space at Kalani for the first time, which we expect to draw 80 people.

There seems to be a strong wind blowing, stronger than before. Public interest in farm happenings and technology is noticeably higher. From our vantage point, Puna is rich with a number of small farms and communities who have been operating in the background and, with some support, could definitely come forward to share their knowledge. The kind of support that Kalani is focusing on would broaden the horizon for everyone. We appreciate their support, and offer ours in return.

Sincerely,

Debra Welch
Treasurer, Dragon's Eye Learning Center
Member of Dragon's Eye Farm

From: Rea Fox [mailto:soulfuldancerhawaii@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 23, 2011 6:15 PM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

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I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

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Rea Fox

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Mahalo,

David Sanders
Yogi, Hawaii resident
808-352-2855

From: jim L [mailto:jimlarsen70@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 9:55 PM
To: Richard.Koob@kalani.com
Subject: Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive

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Mahalo,

Jim Larsen_____

From: Jonathan Lopez [mailto:lopezlopezjlp@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 5:02 PM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject: support educational programs at Kalani, an Eco-Village Center, and the Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

Aloha RK,

I Jonathan give you my permission to sign my name to this letter you have send to me.

Mahalo nui.

Jonathan.

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Mahalo,

Jonathan Lopez

From: Aleisha MacNaughton [mailto:aleisha.macnaughton@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 4:33 PM

To: Richard.Koob@kalani.com
Subject: Thrive letter of support

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Mahalo,

Aleisha MacNaughton

From: Mike Kutter [mailto:mkutter@comcast.net]
Sent: Sunday, December 18, 2011 10:00 AM
To: Richard.Koob@kalani.com
Subject: Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

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Mahalo,

Mike Kutter

John Fritchie
394 Lakeshore Drive
Asheville, North Carolina 28804

December 12, 2011

Re: **The Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!**
A Letter of Support for Kalani Honua, d.b.a. Kalani Oceanside Retreat

To Whom It May Concern:

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I have been both a guest and volunteer at Kalani Honua for more than 10 years, and I continue to be inspired by their ability to attract local and international people from diverse backgrounds to create meaningful cultural and wellness programming. As a community organizer and a professional nonprofit fundraiser, I can attest to their being the embodiment of their mission, vision and values. They have given me a deep appreciation for the State Hawai'i and Hawaiian culture, and because of Kalani you have another committed supporter in your Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive.

Please support Kalani's important projects on the Big Island. Kalani has the experience, the resources, and the passion to drive agri-tourism, while incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. I very much support their educational programs and leadership in building a sustainable community. I am excited about the opportunities for public education and international understanding that their programs provide.

If you would like to speak with me regarding my experiences at Kalani or my support of their work, please feel free to contact me at J.Fritchie@yahoo.com or 828-301-2790. Thank you in advance for your sincere consideration of their request.

Mahalo,



From: Fredrika Cornell [mailto:fritzicornell@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2011 7:07 PM
To: Richard.Koob@Kalani.com
Subject: I support Kalani!

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Mahalo,
Fredrika Cornell Scopp

From: Peter Schwab (Student) [mailto:PRS159@students.jwu.edu]
Sent: Saturday, December 10, 2011 11:19 AM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject:

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Peter Schwab

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Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 4:33 PM
To: Richard.Koob@kalani.com
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From: drjudy mcc [mailto:drjudymcc@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 3:58 PM
To: Richard.Koob@Kalani.com
Subject: petition from Lorien McClenaghan

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Mahalo,

Lorien McClenaghan

"The illusion that we are separate from one another is an optical illusion of our consciousness."----Albert Einstein

From: Will Donnelly [mailto:wmdonnellypdx@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 3:36 PM
To: Richard
Subject: letter

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Mahalo,

William Donnelly

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Will Donnelly
Cell: 323-459-4720

From: gememoi me myself and I [mailto:geeblabla@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 2:30 PM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject:

"In the best of all worlds we would create a perfect balance: individuals would live in a place with ecological integrity, economic security, and participate in a democratic and just society. What might that look like if it were achieved? People in our communities would be well (access to healthy food and care) and safe (without discrimination or violence), earn at the very least a livable wage (to provide for quality of life), enjoy clean air, water, and soils."

--Deborah M. Burd, Executive Director, National Campaign for Sustainable Agriculture

This is exactly what Kalani is and strives toward, and as you see below fits well with Hawaii's 2050 Sustainability Goals and the directions our agriculture, wellness and arts leaders are supporting (per the linked letters below).

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Mahalo,

Geneviève Picard-Beaudoin

From: Ana Barroso [mailto:anabarroso1@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: Friday, January 13, 2012 3:05 AM
To: Richard.Koob@kalani.com
Subject: Support Kalani's Letter

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Mahalo,

Ana Barroso

PS - Personally, I actually say more, I am very surprised and happy that you contacted me because since I researched you and emailed you, I have been seriously thinking in really joining the Kalani Retreat for good, living with you, working with you as my permanent home. I have been wanting, feeling the call for it for a long time but it's been very hard because I have a 8 years old son and I cannot find a Retreat that is suitable for him too, I want him to learn our culture, love, pass the torch, and also as I have been struggling with life maintenance too since I got unemployed, until I found a Retreat like yours.

I am a Reiki Master Teacher, so I can provide training, help and help on the volunteer front as well. It would be my dream come true for 2012. I can support you in what I can.

In this stage of my life, I see that all I want until I die is a life like that and replace my ego conscious.

Thank you very, very much.

From: Arthur Hakalani Pacheco [mailto:hakalani@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2012 8:28 PM
To: Richard.Koob@kalani.com
Subject: a letter of support, si vous plez! and much aloha too go around.....

I SUPPORT KALANI'S DRIVE TO HELP HAWAI'I THRIVE.

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Re: support for Kalani Honua

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i have personally benefited from Kalani's presence, and have had several life-changing epiphanies there, which I now recommend to others for the same reasons. As a minister, it is a real heaven on earth, so please help to support her now.

Mahalo,

Rev.Arthur Hakalani Pacheco

From: Gary Jacobsson [mailto:gjacobsson@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 12:49 PM
To: Richard.Koob@kalani.com
Subject: Kalani's Drive to Thrive

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Mahalo,

Gary Jacobsson

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Gary jacobsson, C.M.R.F., C.A.S.
Why not wake up this morning? - Rumi

From: angelick Roy-Rouleau [mailto:angelick_1@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 10:26 AM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject: Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive

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Mahalo,

Angelick Roy-Rouleau_____

From: Venetia Featherstone-Witty [mailto:chefvenetia@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 9:52 AM
To: Richard Koob
Subject: Kalani Thrive

I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
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Mahalo,

Venetia_FeatherstoneWitty

Venetia Featherstone-Witty

From: Michael Pearson [mailto:lifecereal@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 9:12 AM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject: letter

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
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Mahalo,

Michael Pearson

From: Kirby Guyer [mailto:hoomaha@aloha.net]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 7:47 AM
To: Richard.Koob@Kalani.com
Subject: Support

I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
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Mahalo,

Kirby B. Guyer
P.O. Box 82
Hanalei, HI 96714
808-826-7083

From: Elias Zananiri [mailto:touchbyelias@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 5:59 AM
To: Richard Koob
Subject: i SUPPORT kALANI'S DRIVE TO HELP HAWAII THRIVE

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Mahalo,

ELIAS ZANANIRI_____

From: Tuko [mailto:tukoart@aol.com]

Sent: Wednesday, December 07, 2011 11:28 PM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject: I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

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Mahalo,

Tuko Fujisaki

From: M Allan [mailto:skiison8@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 07, 2011 10:58 PM
To: richard koob
Subject: I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

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I have been a part of and collaborated with Kalani's innovative team on previous projects, and I continue to be inspired by their ability to attract people from diverse backgrounds to successfully create meaningful projects while fostering deeper understanding both amongst the participants, and their audiences - the surrounding community and thousands of Hawai`i, national, and international visitors.

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Mahalo,

MICHAEL ALLEN

From: patsydodd [mailto:patsydodd@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, December 07, 2011 9:03 PM

To: Richard.Koob@kalani.com
Subject: Kalani

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To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
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Mahalo,

Patsy Dodd

From: Ines [mailto:celines03@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 07, 2011 7:45 PM

To: Richard.Koob@kalani.com
Subject: Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive

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Mahalo,

Cecilia Tavarez,

Kalani Volunteer

From: Jared [mailto:workshops@kalani.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 07, 2011 4:06 PM
To: 'Richard'
Subject: jaRed's letter of support for kalani's Drive to help Hawaii Thrive!

I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and
Land Use Commission special use approval for educational retreat operations.

Aloha, my name is Jared Sam, and I am happy to provide this letter in support for Kalani's 2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for consolidated and expanded educational retreat operations.

Kalani provided a safe haven for me over 15 years ago as an alternative, educational summer experience, when I was looking for a healthy, and life-enriching opportunity for growth during my college years. Since that summer, I have been drawn back to Kalani to learn life-skills that have served me and the local Big Island community over the past ten years since my move to the state, including providing yoga classes at low-cost and/or free to community kama'aina residents. Kalani has also provided the massage school apprenticeship that guided me towards studying for my license to practice massage in the state of Hawaii five years ago. Kalani has been an important anchor, both economically and socially in the Puna district as a model of sustainability, while combining tourism, cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in a district that endures poverty and its related challenges.

As a manager who also coordinates workshops and retreats at Kalani, I have collaborated with many facilitators on multiple projects, and I continue to be inspired by their appreciation for Kalani and the space that is held here in Puna for healing and education. I've personally witnessed Kalani attract people from diverse backgrounds to successfully create meaningful retreats while fostering deeper understanding both amongst the participants, and their audiences – to the surrounding community and thousands of Hawai`i, national, and international visitors.

Please support Kalani's important projects on Hawai`i, the Big Island. This remarkable retreat center has the experience, the resources, and the passion to drive agritourism, while incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. I completely support their educational programs and leadership in sustainable community living. I am excited about the future opportunities for public education and international understanding that these programs provide, with your support.

Mahalo nui loa,

~jaRed

Jared Owen Sam
Workshops Manager

Kalani Oceanside Retreat
www.kalani.com
808.965.0468 ext.107

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From: Randolph McCreight [mailto:rmacpam@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Saturday, December 03, 2011 1:16 PM
To: Richard.Koob@kalani.com
Subject: Support Letter

I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
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Mahalo,

Randolph McCreight

From: Vivienne Tooman [mailto:viv2man@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 30, 2011 5:27 PM
To: Richard.Koob@kalani.com
Subject: Support

To Whom It May Concern

RE: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat) 2012 educational festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land use commission special use approval for educational retreat operations.

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support for Kalani's 2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for consolidated and expanded educational retreat operations.

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I have collaborated with Kalani's team on previous projects and I continue to be inspired by their ability to attract people from diverse backgrounds to successfully create meaningful projects while fostering deeper understanding among the participants and their audiences. it attracts both Hawaiian, national and international visitors.

Please support Kalani's projects on the Big Island of Hawaii. Kalani has the resources and the passion to drive agritourism, while incorporating a reverence for the aina and native Hawaiian culture. I very much support their educational programs and leadership in sustainable community. I am excited about the opportunities for public education and international understanding these programs provide.

Mahalo,

Vivienne Tooman

From: rlatenser@gmail.com [mailto:rlatenser@gmail.com] **On Behalf Of** Robert Latenser
Sent: Monday, November 28, 2011 11:20 AM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: urgent, Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and
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I am a Licensed Architect in the State of Hawaii and I have worked with Kalani Honua on various projects. I support them in their development of ecologically efficient buildings made of renewable material which are compatible with Hawaii's environment by providing full ventilation to alleviate any need for heating and A/C systems.

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support for Kalani's 2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for consolidated and expanded educational retreat operations.

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Mahalo

Robert Latenser – Architect

From: Christine Kristen [mailto:bee@newzonia.com]
Sent: Sunday, November 27, 2011 9:06 PM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Aloha LadyBee -- urgent, Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat Community)
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sincerely,

Christine Kristen

From: Karuna Johnson [mailto:karunajhi@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 23, 2011 5:58 PM
To: Richard
Cc: Jimmy
Subject: Re: Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

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My presentations at a Hawai`i conference on building sustainable communities helped create the master plan that Kalani has utilized in its evolution as an important anchor, both economically and socially in the Puna district -- a model of sustainability, while combining tourism, cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in a district that endures poverty and its related challenges.

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sincerely,

Karuna Johnson

From: robert kent [mailto:robert@robertkentphoto.com]
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2011 11:57 AM
To: Richard; tiki@kalani.com; Drew Delaware; Terra Pracht
Subject: letter of support . kalani

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
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Mahalo,

Robert Kent

Founder + Director

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From: sd@souldancer.org [mailto:sd@souldancer.org]
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2012 4:11 PM
To: Richard
Subject: Support Letter

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and
Land Use Commission special use approval for educational retreat operations.

It is a pleasure to offer this letter in support for Kalani's 2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for consolidated and expanded educational retreat operations.

Kalani IS an important anchor, both economically and socially in the Puna district. Kalani serves as a model of sustainability, while combining tourism, cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in a district that endures cycles of economic challenges.

I collaborate with Kalani's innovative team to co-create programs to enrich locals and visitors alike. I continue to be inspired by their ability to attract people from diverse backgrounds to successfully create meaningful projects. Anyone who works with Kalani's team rapidly awakens life-changing wisdom from participants, and their audiences - the surrounding community and thousands of Hawai'i, national, and international visitors.

Kindly support Kalani's important projects on Hawai'i, the Big Island. Kalani has the experience, the resources, and the passion to drive agritourism, while incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. I continue to support their educational programs and leadership in sustainable community. I am excited about the opportunities for public education and international understanding that these programs provide.

Mahalo,



Soul Dancer

Founder: Souldancer Network
Pahoa resident since 2004

From: johnscarcella1@msn.com [mailto:johnscarcella1@msn.com] **On Behalf Of** JOHN SCARCELLA
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2012 12:06 PM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com; John Scarcella
Subject: RE: Kalani letter of support

Aloha Richard,

I hope this letter helps.

John

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua

2012 Educational Festivals, 100 annual Events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for educational retreat experience.

I would like to add my voice to support the proposals that have been made to continue and expand the activities at Kalani. I have studied the Special Use Permit Applications and find them to be very complete and full of good ideas.

We live next to Kalani, in Kalapana Seaview Estates, and our experiences over the years have always been very positive. They obviously respect the land around them and are very committed to working with the Hawaiian culture as well as visitors and local residents.

This is not some unknown developer coming in and asking for major projects. It is a natural evolution of the process that has been going on for many years. The best way to judge this project is to see what has already been accomplished there.

We welcome the new projects that are being applied for. Especially important is their emphasis on agricultural self-sufficiency and support for local farming. It would also be nice to have a store a little closer then Pahoa. This will save us gas and time plus cut down on traffic.

In conclusion, I believe that approval of these applications will have a great deal of positive impact with very little downside. Sometimes development is okay, and this is just one of those situations that just makes sense. Please allow them to proceed.

Mahalo,

John Scarcella

12-7060 Eelekoa, Pahoa, Hi 96778

From: Richard Hoff [mailto:richard.hoff@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, March 31, 2012 8:29 PM
To: Richard
Subject: Kalani letter of support

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and
Land Use Commission special use approval for educational retreat operations.

Kalani is a unique gem in a land of many treasures. Having spent ten weeks in Pepeekeo training for the US Peace Corps many years ago, I fell in love with the island of Hawaii - the people, customs, culture and land. I've enjoyed returning to the varied islands numerous times since then, always hoping that I'm leaving at least a little in return for all the joy, peace and beauty that Hawaii has given me.

It is with gratitude and pleasure that I provide this letter in support for Kalani's 2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for consolidated and expanded educational retreat operations.

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Mahalo,

Richard Hoff

1114 Hi Point Street

Los Angeles, CA 90035

From: genie goldberger [mailto:geniego@msn.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 08, 2012 9:11 AM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject: RE: Aloha KALANI friends and vendors

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
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Mahalo,

X _Genie Goldberger

From: R. Hemken [mailto:hrainerk@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, May 11, 2012 3:39 PM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject: [Kalani Letters of Support]

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Mahalo,

Hans Rainer K. Hemken

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From: Richard Corral [mailto:corralconsulting@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, May 14, 2012 7:34 PM
To: Richard
Subject: Re: Senior housing and other aspects of Kalani's LUC application

Richard,

Following up on your request below re: letter of support...more than happy to assist!

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
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Mahalo,

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Future Village Center Site

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Mahalo,

Yvette Taylor

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From: Eva Lee [mailto:teahawaii@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 09, 2012 1:52 PM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject: letter of support

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Mahalo,

Eva Lee

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Founder

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From: Lew Schwenk [mailto:lewbscooby@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, January 25, 2013 8:18 AM
To: Richard Koob
Subject: Support Letter

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
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Lew G. Schwenk

To who it may concern!
I am a retired Architect/planner/and Exec. Director of the Shared Living Resource Center, a 501-c-3, devoted to planning, design, and education about ecologically design Cooperative communities. I conducted a workshop on that subject several years ago at Kalani and received a tour of the proposed Eco-Village Center.
I eagerly support further approvals and development of the Center and is commerable social-economic agenda.

sincerely,

x Ken E. Norwood

Ken Norwood
Founder-Director
Shared Living Resource Center, Inc.
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Berkeley, CA 94704-2841

We here at Kalani are very grateful for whatever support you can provide. Letters are very helpful and deeply appreciated. Since Kalani Honua, Inc. is an IRS 501(c)3 educational charity, contributions are tax deductible.

Please e-mail your letter to Richard.Koob@kalani.com or mail to 12-6860 Kalapana-Kapoho Beach Road, Pahoa, HI 96778.

Your letter supports...

- An Eco-Village Center consistent with Kalani's 500 year village center heritage, including a preserved halau (school) and heiau (temple) sites. Kalani's Eco-Village Center will be solar powered, include a community fire department, be non-profit plus local farmer and vendor cooperatively owned, and not commercially zoned (no corporate chain stores).
- A 30 year extension of Kalani's 36 successful years as a sustainable agrarian retreat community model providing nature, culture and wellness educational facilities and programs; over 100 events per year, 50 activities per week.
- 20 eco-efficient retreat units, made from renewable bamboo and wood, requiring no artificial heating or cooling. Expanding upon the currently approved 13 units, each unit has 6 bedrooms, 3 to accommodate faculty and staff and 3 to accommodate guest students.

More complete information.... NO internet / email any more!

Kalani Letters of Support · Click here to download example Kalani Letters of Support from Hawai`i leaders in the arts, agriculture and more.

Kalani LUC Special Permit Application · Click here to download the draft of Kalani's LUC Special Permit Application.

Aloha Richard,

Thank you for writing to me. I have been to Kalani - I did a yoga teacher training course there many years ago - and I agree it is a wonderful example of sustainable living. It looks like HB111 is scheduled to be heard by the Finance committee tomorrow. I am a member of that committee, and will take your comments into consideration when we are hearing the bill.

Thank you again,

Nicole Lowen

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From: Richard Koob [richard.koob@kalani.com]
Sent: Monday, February 25, 2013 8:56 PM
To: Rep. Cindy Evans; Rep. Nicole Lowen
Subject: Support for HB111

For 38 years Kalani Oceanside Retreat (www.kalani.com<http://www.kalani.com>) has exemplified the importance of HB111 by demonstrating how Hawai'i can thrive with sustainable living programs and facilities inspired by the collaborative native ahupua'a 'ohana practices of ancient Hawai'i, including, on the Kalani campus, preserved halau and heiau sites. Since Kalani's founding in 1975 over 200,000 unique students have participated, over 2 million nutritious organic local grown meals have been served and a $100 million economic boost has been generated -- currently supporting 120 staff and over 200 farmers, fishermen, crafts artists and vendors. In the past 6 years Kalani's 50KW solar power system has kept over 166 tons (332,000 lbs.) of carbon emissions out of the atmosphere. Kalani is an example of how Hawai'i communities can have similar collaborative systems that are quiet and free of polluting emissions and excessive unneeded by-products. This and similar ecological social enterprises are important examples of how ecological design, construction and living practices can meet every State 2050 sustainability goal and truly help Hawai'i thrive. See www.kalani.com/HelpHawaiiThrive<http://www.kalani.com/HelpHawaiiThrive>

Sincerely,

Richard Koob
Founder, Director Emeritus, KALANI Oceanside Retreat Village
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"Be the change you want to see in the world." - Gandhi

From: Janet Taylor [mailto:swimmerjan1@aol.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2013 3:42 PM
To: richard.koob@kalani.com
Subject: Re: separate email just about Cooperative Center support

February 24, 2013

To whom it may concern:

RE: Support for Kalani Land Use Commission Application

Please accept this letter of support for Kalani's stewardship of the former (and currently under Kalani's restoration) ahupua'a of 120 acres through the LUC Special Permit process. I'm aware that Kalani is a member of KAPONO, a community-directed organization that welcomes community members from Kalapana to Pohoiki to join together with local government, businesses, organizations, and individuals for the protection and enhancement of the health, heritage, and safety of our communities: our homes, our 'ohana, and our lifestyles.

KAPONO initiated a community survey in 2012 with the goals of developing a long range community plan that provides our community with a voice for our future. Responses from residents are being used to address specific items in the Puna Community Development Plan as well as sharing them with county and state officials. These responses have been shared with the entire Pohoiki to Kalapana community via KAPONO, of which Kalani is a member. As a result of this survey, Kalani and other communities have participated with working groups formed to address the strongest responses and move forward the ideas which resonated throughout the community.

Kalani Honua, Inc., has been providing nature, culture and wellness programs since 1975. Kalani's well thought out LUC special use proposal focuses on the improvement and expansion of the retreat's agriculture and educational services and facilities, which benefit area residents and visiting student guests from around the globe. Correlated objectives of benefit to the local community are heritage conservation measures (including ancient halau, heiau, and native / culturally significant plant life) and the promotion of a sustainable economy for Puna and the County & State of Hawai'i.

Kalani is a significant part of the community as it provides valuable services. If left up to the County and/or Planning Department, requested enhancements to the community would not happen in a timely manner due to County Budget restraints and other commitments to larger community areas.

I support the intention of the proposed Ala Kai Cooperative Center to help provide for the education, employment, safety, supply and service needs of our neighborhoods in a manner that is nonprofit community-based managed open to all residents for use. I support the retention of the rural agrarian character of the Kalapana-Pohoiki neighborhoods and asks that the County and State not seek to urbanize or urban-zone any of the area, but rather honor that the area is truly agricultural, engaged like Kalani and the LUC proposal, in many aqua-agricultural sustainable endeavors with local fishermen, farmers and even residents of small lots providing produce for local farmers' markets. Considering our area's lava zone #2 designation as well as natural and cultural heritage resources it would be unwise to urbanize and encourage quick development in this area. Hence your support is encouraged for the types of community managed slow growth that Kalani proposes as special use of agricultural land – i.e. ways to increase farm production, enhance sustainable rural living, and meet the area's needs in a manner that is sufficient and not detrimental.

I am a board member of Puna Palisades Community group and a representative to KAPONO.

Sincerely,

Janet E. Taylor

From: Pamela Waiolena [mailto:pwaiolena@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, May 12, 2013 3:29 PM
Subject: In Support of Kalani Honua

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
Educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and
Land Use Commission special use approval for augmented provisions of aqua-agriculture, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies and services.

For me, it is a great pleasure to provide this letter in support for Kalani Honua's Educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for consolidated and expanded educational retreat operations.

I met Richard Koob in 1974 and personally danced with him and his partner, Earnest Morgan in dance companies from 1974-1977 until I moved up the Hamakua Coast. I remember when he and Earnest began Kalani Honua in 1975. I have seen it grow and became a viable part of this island and particularly in the Puna District of the island of Hawai'i.

Kalani Honua has been an important anchor, both economically and socially in the Puna district as a model of sustainability, while combining tourism, cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in a district that endures poverty and its related challenges.

In the past, I have collaborated with Kalani Honua's innovative team on previous projects, and I continue to be inspired by their ability to attract people from diverse backgrounds to successfully create meaningful projects while fostering deeper understanding both amongst the participants, and their audiences - the surrounding community and thousands of Hawai`i, national, and international visitors.

Just this weekend I was able to attend the last of their events for the Music Fest Week which ended last night, May 11, 2013, with the musical concert featuring the Medicine for the People band and I was very much impressed with the progress that has been made at Kalani Honua since my last visit in the 1980's.

Please support Kalani Honua's important projects on the island of Hawai'i. Kalani Honua's team has the experience, the resources, and the passion to drive agritourism, while incorporating a deep and lasting reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. I very much support their educational programs and leadership in sustainable community growth on this island. I am very excited about the opportunities for public education and international understanding that these programs provide.

Mahalo nui loa or your continued support at this time.

Aloha pumehana,
Pamela Waiolena

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My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975.

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Sheehan
808 572-8684
spicypisces1@yahoo.com

From: Jarongi Stellarskinse [mailto:jarongi@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 8:42 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Hello

I Support the development of any sustainable methods of living and education to do so.

Jared Kanji Antonovich

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Sincerely,

Jeff Yegge Aquaaloha@aol.com

From: Lummunocity [mailto:info@lummunocity.com]

Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 8:04 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Approvals for Educational Retreats

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Sincerely,

Mahalia

Author and Retreat Facilitator

♥ Mahalia Michael 250-863-7133

-----Original Message-----
From: Emanuela Bianchi [mailto:e.bianchi@nyu.edu]

Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 7:57 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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Sincerely,

Emanuela Bianchi
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From: Renate Lienhart [mailto:r.lienhart@bluewin.ch]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 7:55 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com

Subject: support educational retreat centers throughout Hawaii.

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

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Sincerely,

Renate Lienhart

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From: Laura Weiss Lyngaas [mailto:lwlyngaas@att.net]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 7:55 PM
To: senruderman@capitol.hawaii.gov; m.greenough@capitol.hawaii.gov; rephanohano@capitol.hawaii.gov;

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Subject: Senate Bill

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Sincerely,

Laura Weiss Lyngaas LMT

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From: David [mailto:hanalani@maui.net]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 7:53 PM

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Subject: LEGISLATION FOR RETREATS ON AG LAND

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Sincerely,

David Greenberg
steering committee East Maui Agricultural Assoc.

Hana Lani Farms

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Sincerely,

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From: Janeen Marie [mailto:janeenma@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 7:41 PM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: In support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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Sincerely,

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Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 7:39 PM

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Subject: In support of legislation for educational/environmental retreat centers in Hawaii

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Sincerely,

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From: Meri Dreyfuss [mailto:meri.dreyfuss@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 7:32 PM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support educational retreats

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Sincerely,

Meri Dreyfuss

From: Sammy Bliss [mailto:sammy@pocketunderground.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 7:20 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com

Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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Sincerely,

Sammy Bliss

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From: Albert Schmaedick [mailto:paiinthai@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 7:18 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com

Subject: Support for Hawaii's rural health retreats

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Sincerely,

Albert Schmaedick

Kapaau, HI

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Be well, Albert

-----Original Message-----
From: Catherine Kundrat [mailto:camaku@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 7:02 PM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support for cultivating Hawaiian retreats

To Whom it May Concern,

I would love to see Hawaii's retreat centers thrive! I hope to be involved in future programming at various locations available for retreats and restoration activities within the Hawaiian Islands.
Whatever you can do to help with maintaining and cultivating retreats on the beautiful islands of Hawaii, is greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Catherine Kundrat, M.B.A.
Yoga Teacher and Shiatsu Practitioner

From: Jumana King-Harris [mailto:aquamystica@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:05 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com

Subject: In support of educational retreats

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Sincerely,

Jumana King-Harris

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-----Original Message-----
From: Nancy Van Affelen [mailto:nancyvan49@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 10:36 PM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: educational retreats

it is good to teach people to grow healthy food, animals, eggs and honey for edibles and for clothing and building products. trees for wind breaks and construction and food. bamboo for construction and instruments and household goods. terracing water and irrigation systems for taro and other life source foods. hawaii could become self sufficient. also restoration of the ponds to grow fish in the wild. pasture land for cattle, goats, sheep for food & clothing. good proteins, vegetables, fruits, purple potatoes and taro becomes a well rounded diet. fresh food have more vitamins less headaches. rotating crops and pasture will preserve the soil. many positive and life sustaining experiences to be learned. please be in favor of educational communities in hawaii for producing food and clothing and homes and furniture and instruments and pure water systems for healthy humans. thank you and have a good day.=

From: Joyce Vissell [mailto:joyce@sharedheart.org]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 10:44 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Your support

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Sincerely,

Joyce Vissell [mailto:joyce@sharedheart.org]

From: Laura Cusack [mailto:laura.cusack@iinet.net.au]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 11:17 PM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
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Sincerely,

Laura Cusack
Sydney, Australia

Sent from my iPhone

From: gldowney@gmail.com [mailto:gldowney@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 11:17 PM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Save our Hawai'i

Please, anything you do to maintain the nature and beauty of Hawai'i will be appreciated by people all over the world. Hawai'i is unrivaled in it's natural beauty and can not be recovered once it is lost.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Gabriela Downey

1565 SW Highland Parkway

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From: Garth Gilchrist [mailto:garthtales@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 11:18 PM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Legislation affecting Hawii's Retreat Centers

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

Robert Sofio

rsofio@gmail.com

916-450-1221

From: Annette Manant [mailto:annette.manant@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 10:15 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: In support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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Sincerely,

Name

Annette Manant

annette.manant@gmail.com 808 2869756

-----Original Message-----
From: Gilah Tenenbaum [mailto:gilah@hevanet.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:53 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: support for educational retreats legislation

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I attended a music retreat at Kalani and toured all around the Big island. It is a beautiful place, and I had a sonderful experience, plus I learned to place ukelele.

Thank you.

Gilah Tenenbaum

From: jesus puerto [mailto:jesus@souldecuba.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:54 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
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Sincerely,

Jesus Puerto

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jesus @ soul de cuba cafe

From: Mary Marvin Porter [mailto:islandeyesvideo@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:59 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

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Sincerely,

Mary Marvin Porter

Island Eyes Video

808-982-9100

HPP, Kea'au, Hawai'i

From: Stephen Hoffmann [mailto:pondhop@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 10:12 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

I am an investor looking to move to Hawai'i. I have been visiting the islands for a long time, and Hawai'i is my favorite.

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Sincerely,

Stephen Hoffmann
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-----Original Message-----
From: Tina Dala [mailto:tdala@shaw.ca]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 10:16 PM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Save Kalani and other Hawaiian Yoga retreats

As a person who just had her first yoga retreat experience at Kalani over the past December, I can tell you I had a life-affirming and amazing experience.
I would be one of many people world-wide who would be heart-broken to lose such a warm, loving and once-in-a-lifetime experience.
Please ensure these Yoga Retreats are not lost. I plan on coming back and want the option to save in order to enjoy all the wonderful experiences Hawaii and Kalani have to offer, without worry that it won't be there!

Please let me know these cultural programs and great retreats will be supported and thrive in Hawaii.

Best,

Tina Dala
LCCE
DONA(CD), DONA(PCD)
SNEA
RoE instructor

From: Swami Om [mailto:swamiom@me.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 10:16 PM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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Sincerely, Swami Om

From: Virginia White [mailto:whiterainbows@msn.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 10:26 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com

Subject:

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Sincerely,

Virginia White
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(808)333-2449

From: Sonja Tobiessen [mailto:yoginidancer@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 10:33 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com

Subject: Please support Bills for Educational Retreats

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

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Sincerely, Sonja Tobiessen

yoginidancer@gmail.com

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From: Kirsten Biondi [mailto:blissfullhi@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 10:34 PM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support our Local Educational Retreat Centers!!!!

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Sincerely,

Kirsten Biondi

From: Jorysings@aol.com [mailto:Jorysings@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 11:12 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support Hawaiian Educational Retreat Centers!

Hello Senators and Representatives,

I am an early childhood teacher. Working with young children is demanding and exhausting work. It's also a calling, as young children are building the foundation of who they are for the rest of their life. It's a critical time in a person's development; the studies are there to prove this. Sadly, the pay is low, the hours are long, and vacations are rare.

A couple years ago, I went to Kalani for a week-long music and art retreat. We had lessons during the mornings and adventures around the Big Island, in the afternoons. I loved every second of it; the learning, exploring, renewing, resting, and re-connecting to myself. I wish I could afford to do this every year, but just knowing it exists, helps. It was the highlight of my year. When I came back, I had to face some very bad news. My one week kept me going.

Please do what you can to support these retreats. They aren't just for wealthy sunbathers. They're for all of us.

Thank-you,

Jory Aronson

From: Thomas Nelson [mailto:twnelson@erols.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 6:37 PM
To: senruderman@capitol.hawaii.gov; m.greenough@capitol.hawaii.gov; rephanohano@capitol.hawaii.gov; p.ryan@capitol.hawaii.gov; senespero@capitol.hawaii.gov; senbaker@capitol.hawaii.gov; sengaluteria@capitol.hawaii.gov; senslom@capitol.hawaii.gov; sengreen@capitol.hawaii.gov; senchunoakland@capitol.hawaii.gov;

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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 6:35 PM
To: senruderman@capitol.hawaii.gov; m.greenough@capitol.hawaii.gov; rephanohano@capitol.hawaii.gov; p.ryan@capitol.hawaii.gov; senespero@capitol.hawaii.gov; senbaker@capitol.hawaii.gov; sengaluteria@capitol.hawaii.gov; senslom@capitol.hawaii.gov; sengreen@capitol.hawaii.gov; senchunoakland@capitol.hawaii.gov;

sennishihara@capitol.hawaii.gov; senhee@capitol.hawaii.gov; senshimabukuro@capitol.hawaii.gov; sengabbard@capitol.hawaii.gov; sensolomon@capitol.hawaii.gov; senihara@capitol.hawaii.gov; lj@kalani.com; richkoob@kalani.com; tly@lava.net; repwooley@capitol.hawaii.gov; reponishi@capitol.hawaii.gov; repawana@Capitol.hawaii.gov; repbrower@capitol.hawaii.gov; repcachola@capitol.hawaii.gov; repchoy@capitol.hawaii.gov; reptokioka@capitol.hawaii.gov; reptsuji@capitol.hawaii.gov; repohno@capitol.hawaii.gov; repmatsumoto@capitol.hawaii.gov; repward@capitol.hawaii.gov; replowen@capitol.hawaii.gov; repevans@capitol.hawaii.gov; repcullen@capitol.hawaii.gov; repkawakami@capitol.hawaii.gov; repclee@capitol.hawaii.gov; repnishimoto@capitol.hawaii.gov; repsay@capitol.hawaii.gov; repfale@capitol.hawaii.gov; repthielen@capitol.hawaii.gov; repluke@capitol.hawaii.gov; epjohanson@capitol.hawaii.gov; rephashem@capitol.hawaii.gov; reping@capitol.hawaii.gov; repjordan@capitol.hawaii.gov; repkobayashi@capitol.hawaii.gov; replowen@capitol.hawaii.gov; repmorikawa@capitol.hawaii.gov; reponishi@capitol.hawaii.gov; reptakayama@capitol.hawaii.gov; repwoodson@capitol.hawaii.gov; repyamashita@capitol.hawaii.gov; repfukumoto@capitol.hawaii.gov; repevans@capitol.hawaii.gov
Subject: Help Hawaii's Educational Retreat Centers

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Mahalo, Steven J. Gottesman email: gottesarch@cox.net phone: 916.706.1282

From: Grant McFetridge [mailto:grant@peakstates.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 6:35 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Hope you will support Hawaii educational retreats bills

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Sincerely,

Dr. Grant McFetridge

Grant McFetridge, Ph.D.

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From: Drew Delaware [mailto:drew@kalani.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 6:34 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Message from Michael Alexander: Hawai'i Retreats

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

This email did not reach you on the first try – I am forwarding it for your consideration.

Warm mahalos,

Drew

From: malexander07@gmail.com [mailto:malexander07@gmail.com] **On Behalf Of** Michael Alexander
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:18 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Hawai'i Retreats

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Sincerely,

Michael Alexander, Executive Producer
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"As human beings, our greatness lies not so much in being able to remake the world - that is the myth of the atomic age - as in being able to remake ourselves."
-Mahatma Gandhi

From: Carolinesdelano@aol.com [mailto:Carolinesdelano@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:25 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Aloha

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Sincerely,

Caroline

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"There is something about you brighter than the sun and more mysterious than the night sky."
Adyashanti

From: Jared Sam [mailto:jared@kalani.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:32 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Please support Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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From: Calley O'Neill [mailto:Calley@CalleyONeill.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:25 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Educational Retreats ~ So Important to Support Senate Bill HB2944, HB1919

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Sincerely,

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www.CalleyONeill.com May we move together toward world peace and healing.

From: David Sands [mailto:david@bambooliving.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:27 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support Educational Retreats with Hawai'i Senate Bill: SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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All the Best,



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From: 5jaguar5 [mailto:5jaguar5@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:27 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
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Sincerely,

Paul Hessinger

From: Shan Albert [mailto:shanals@earthlink.net]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:36 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support Educational Retreats

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Sincerely,

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From: Kaylene Furse
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:41 PM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: I support educational retreats centers throughout Hawaii

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Sincerely,

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From: Lisa McMahon [mailto:njgirlinca2000@comcast.net]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:47 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 & House Gills HB 1918 & 1919

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I, personally, have attended several retreats hosted by Kalini and can state that the experience of the facility they operate was truly amazing and life changing.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai'i thrive.

Sincerely,

Lisa McMahon, 5992 Snowy Plover Ct, Fort Collins, CO 80528

From: ALTHEA MOYNIHAN [mailto:acm1630@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:47 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: In Support of Senate and House Bills for education retreats in

Hawai'i

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I have just returned from leading a week-long yoga retreat at Lumeria Maui Educational Retreat Center in Makawao, on the island of Maui. This was my second time leading a retreat at Lumeria Maui, and I am deeply impressed with the important contributions this retreat center has made and continues to make, not only to the local community, but to the global community. Lumeria Maui hosts local and international teachers, bringing together many people from around the world to study, learn and practice healing, health and wellness programs, and the healing arts in a nurturing, supportive, and inherently beautiful setting. Lumeria Maui Retreat Center provides valuable employment opportunities for the local community, demonstrates the importance of restoring and preserving valuable historical properties, and practices as well as teaches sustainable living programs.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely, Althea Cervantes Moynihan, RN, MPH, RYT Certified Yoga Teacher and Yoga Therapist www.AltheaYoga.com

From: Shana Jones [mailto:trenity262@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:05 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject:

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Sincerely,
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From: Mandi Herauville [mailto:mandih@icloud.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:05 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Letter in support of the Senate Bill

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Sincerely,

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From: Miriam Delosantos [mailto:sapo76@me.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:08 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com

Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919

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Sincerely,

Miriam Delosantos L.Ac., PA-C

From: Michele Kenworthy [mailto:michelek3107@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:09 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support for retreat centres

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Sincerely,

Michele Kenworthy
Wollongong, Australia

From: Maria Arroyo [mailto:minina77@mac.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:09 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Supporting Bills SB2944 & HB1918/19

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Sincerely,

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From: Emily White [mailto:emily@whitesmithent.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 9:11 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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Sincerely,

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Subject: URGENT - support Kalani & edu retreats with Hawai'i Senate Bill: SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919
Importance: High

ALOHA HONORABLE HAWAI`I STATE LEGISLATORS

This letter is addressed to all Senators in Committees PSM, HTH and JDL and all House Representatives in Committees AGR, WAL, FIN and EEP

to request your support for **SB2944; HB1918 and HB1919** (copies attached)
Please support educational retreats and help Hawai`i thrive sustainably!

Please send any change recommendations to the authoring team leaders Richard Koob, L.J. Bates and legal counsel Tom Yeh: richkoob@kalani.com; lj@kalani.com; Tly@lava.net

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The importance of these bills in relation to each Committee is as follows:

PSM: Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

SB2944 meets committee goals by providing public safety, volunteer fire departments, Community Emergency Response Trainings, Red Cross and other emergency shelter and disaster readiness in remote rural areas; and by supporting county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of

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SB2944 meets committee goals by providing general health and wellness programs and facilities in remote rural areas, including wellness, body therapy, culinary, yoga and related intern training intensives, as well as public safety, volunteer fire departments, Community Emergency Response Trainings, Red Cross and other emergency shelter and disaster readiness; and by supporting county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that help provide for an area's needs for: agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

JDL: Judiciary and Labor

SB2944 meets committee goals by supporting, in remote rural areas, educational retreats which facilitate neighborhood community cooperation, safety training and implementation, public elections, sustainable living practices, education in individual rights and civil liberties, employment training and opportunities (ecology, ag and aquaculture, permaculture, wellness, culinary, yoga, facility management, leadership, hospitality, culture and the arts), special need and senior programs including assisted living facilities, and county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that help provide for an area's needs for: agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

AGR: Agriculture

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting educational retreats' successes in augmenting sustainable food production on lands of minimal or poor soil through the use of permaculture, aquaculture, organic agriculture, and native plant preservation and propagation inspired by traditional ahupua'a community living.

WAL: Water and Land

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting ecology education, coastal and land water conservation, LUC and county sustainability education and implementation initiatives, historic site preservation and ahupua'a revitalization, and the provision of remote rural areas' needs for agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

FIN: Finance

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting the sustainable economic contributions of agricultural, ecological, and educational tourism, as provided by educational retreats, which with a focus on nature, culture and wellness provide authentic experiences of Hawai`i attractive to resident and visiting students and faculty. Hawai`i's educational retreats, one with 40 years of operation have proven to be socially responsible enterprises that bolster, even anchor, the economies of remote rural areas in some of the State's impoverished and fast growing areas, where government facilities and services are less available than in urban areas. Retreats also encourage responsible ecological land stewardship, enhancing county property tax earnings, and provide models for sustainable community living inspired by Hawaii's heritage.

EEP: Energy & Environmental Protection

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting ecologically focused educational retreats which model safe alternative energy (e.g. solar banks and net metering), demonstrate eco-construction methods utilizing renewable materials (e.g. bamboo), preserve historic sites and revitalize traditional ahupua'a methods of sustainable living, and provide remote rural areas' needs for agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

This letter supports Senate **Bill SB2944** and House Bills: **HB1918 and HB1919** because educational retreats. expands awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai`i while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services. These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

My support for this bill agrees with statements that many Hawai`i leaders have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Hawai`i's largest retreat, established in 1975, Kalani Honua (see letters signed by 245 supporters atwww.kalani.com/HelpHawaiiThrive). Such educational retreats…

• provide an important anchor, both economically and socially as models of sustainability, engaging visiting students and faculty in cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in districts that endure poverty and its related challenges. Ecological educational retreats bring visitors and residents together, use local products and support local businesses. Kalani's reputation in the community over the decades is excellent. Everyone knows Kalani's events will be professionally organized and welcoming to the entire diversity of Puna's residents, as well as the many visitors they bring from around the world to experience Puna hospitality. – Russell Ruderman, Hawai`i State Senate

• can, like Kalani Honua, inspire 30,000 participants per year with the experience, resources, and passion to bolster an area's economy while promoting food security and incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. -- William Moekahi Steiner, Dean, University of Hawai'i College of Agriculture, Forestry, Natural Resource Management

• provide opportunity tools that implement the growth of admiration and respect towards our Native Hawaiian Culture and our land. The Kalani Honua educational retreat provides the continuity, consistency and stability of success towards tourism in our community. We must acknowledge those individuals who project dedication to live the life of aloha and share it with the world. -- Faye Hanohano, Hawai`i State Legislator

• continue, like Kalani Honua, with a history of 39 years, to be a positive influence in local agriculture, while promoting cultural awareness and wellness. Support for educational retreat programs will allow many more to appreciate the importance of Hawai`i agriculture in our daily lives. -- Russell Kokubun, Chair, Hawai`i Department of Agriculture

• as exemplified by Kalani Honua, are endeavors in sustainable living firmly rooted in intercultural values which promote harmony between humans and the earth. – Trina Nahm-Mijo, University of Hawai`i, Chair, Social Science Department

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Subject: support Hawaii's Educational retreat centers

aloha, Please know that places like Kalani, Belly Acres and Hawaiian Sactuary of some of what makes Puna one of the most amazing places in the world. Please do anything in your power to support these places in there mission of enriching the Puna community and in fact the world at large. Mahalo. Michael Ceraso. Nanawale resident for past 10 years.

From: Diana Guedea [mailto:dianalavona@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 6:19 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
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Sincerely,

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

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Subject: upcoming bills

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Subject: For Hawai'i educational retreats

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Sincerely,

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From: Frances Freewater [mailto:freedoan@sonic.net]
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Subject: aloha

Yes let's support our wonderful Retreat Centers……..Hawaii is a healing place lets

help those of us that are trying to help the World……..heal…….

aloha,

frances freewater

From: Lee Walkup [mailto:LWalkup@mansourtravel.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 2:36 PM
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Subject: Hawai'i Retreat Center Legislation

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Sincerely,

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Subject: Education

Aloha Honorable Hawai’i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB 19818 and HB 1919 and Land Use Commission and approvals for educational retreats.

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I respectfully urge your support of senate Bill SB 2944 and House Bills HB 1918 and HB 1919, to help Hawai'i thrive.

Sincerely,

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From: animagyk [mailto:animagyk@yahoo.com]
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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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Subject: In Support of Legislation for Hawaii Retreat Centers

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

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These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai'i thrive.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Educational retreats

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai'i thrive.

Sincerely,

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From: dwight cary [mailto:ndcary@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 12:41 PM
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Subject: Please help our retreat centers. Many of us came here because of the resources they offer. They respect and honor the aina while providing jobs and agricultural sustainability.

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From: Dawnya Clarine [mailto:dawnya@soulappeal.com]
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Subject: Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators

I write in support of Kalani and the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

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Sincerely,

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Subject: Please Support Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

As someone who frequently travels to Hawaii to participate in, and enjoy, the offerings of retreat centers in Hawaii (in particular, Kalani), I feel compelled to encourage you to support these bills which will help them to thrive.

I am a busy marketing exec and consultant, and have spent tens of thousands of dollars in Hawaii over the past 4 years, reconnecting with nature, learning about Hawaiian culture and spiritual practice, rejuvenating with yoga, and having transformative experiences which have truly changed who I am.

And I know there are thousands of people like me - I meet them during every stay I've had in your beautiful home.

I am also aware that regulations can either facilitate places for growth and transformation, or make things very challenging for the nonprofit organizations who are doing their best to hold this space. These organizations need every sensible opportunity to thrive, and survive.

While I could spend my time and money at the other major centers in the US such as Kripalu or Omega (both an hour flight from me), I have completely fallen in love with the rich environment and spirit of aloha that makes any stay at Kalani positively divine. Those who have visited know what a special place it is - as are many of the other centers in Hawaii I have had the opportunity to visit.

In today's world, it is such a breath of fresh air when we are able to support institutions which are working so hard to make a difference in people's lives.

I trust that you will make wise decisions which uplift the human spirit.

Warmly,

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Subject: Support for Senate and House bills supporting educational retreat centers

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai'i thrive.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Richard
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats

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As a retreat facilitator myself, I have seem firsthand that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai'i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

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Sincerely,

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Subject: SB2944, HB1918 & HB1919

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai'i thrive.

Me ke aloha o ka 'aina,

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Subject: Support for SB2944, HB1918, and HB1919

Dear Madams and Sirs of the Hawai'i State Senate and House of Representatives:

This letter is in support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

From my personal experience with them, including one in your state, I believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai'i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and

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My support for this bill accords with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai'i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawai'i's largest retreat center, established in 1975. I attended a one-week adventure retreat there in January / February 1999. The well-crafted program introduced me and my fellow participants to the natural wonders of The Big Island, features of native culture, and delicious, locally sourced fish and fruit. The lasting memory of that visit, my second stay in Hawai'i, haunts and thrills me to this day, and I hope to return.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919 to help Hawai'i thrive.

Me ke aloha pumehana a me ka mahalo nui,

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Subject: SB2944

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreatsexpand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975.

I express appreciation for Kalani‘s leadership in Hawai‘i, as a model of educational retreat programs and facilities, with revitalized ahupua'a sustainable heritage sites and programs; extensive ag and aquaculture food production on lands of poor and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Support S.B.SB2944 and H. B. HB1918 and H.B.1919

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My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have made about the importance of educational retreats including Kalani Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975.

I respectfully urge your YES vote on Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Please support Senate Bill SB2944,House Bills: HB1918,HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Best Regards,
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Subject: Support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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Sincerely,
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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1919

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Sincerely,

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Subject: Fw: Fwd: URGENT - support Kalani & edu retreats with Hawai'i Senate Bill: SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

ALOHA HONORABLE HAWAI`I STATE LEGISLATORS

This letter is addressed to all Senators in Committees PSM, HTH and JDL and all House Representatives in Committees AGR, WAL, FIN and EEP

to request your support for **SB2944; HB1918 and HB1919** (copies attached)
Please support educational retreats and help Hawai`i thrive sustainably!

Please send any change recommendations to the authoring team leaders Richard Koob, L.J. Bates and legal counsel Tom Yeh: richkoob@kalani.com; lj@kalani.com; Tly@lava.net

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The importance of these bills in relation to each Committee is as follows:

PSM: Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

SB2944 meets committee goals by providing public safety, volunteer fire departments, Community Emergency Response Trainings, Red Cross and other emergency shelter and disaster readiness in remote rural areas; and by supporting county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that

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HTH: Health

SB2944 meets committee goals by providing general health and wellness programs and facilities in remote rural areas, including wellness, body therapy, culinary, yoga and related intern training intensives, as well as public safety, volunteer fire departments, Community Emergency Response Trainings, Red Cross and other emergency shelter and disaster readiness; and by supporting county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that help provide for an area's needs for: agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

JDL: Judiciary and Labor

SB2944 meets committee goals by supporting, in remote rural areas, educational retreats which facilitate neighborhood community cooperation, safety training and implementation, public elections, sustainable living practices, education in individual rights and civil liberties, employment training and opportunities (ecology, ag and aquaculture, permaculture, wellness, culinary, yoga, facility management, leadership, hospitality, culture and the arts), special need and senior programs including assisted living facilities, and county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that help provide for an area's needs for: agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

AGR: Agriculture

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting educational retreats' successes in augmenting sustainable food production on lands of minimal or poor soil through the use of permaculture, aquaculture, organic agriculture, and native plant preservation and propagation inspired by traditional ahupua'a community living.

WAL: Water and Land

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting ecology education, coastal and land water conservation, LUC and county sustainability education and implementation initiatives, historic site preservation and ahupua'a revitalization, and the provision of remote rural areas' needs for agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

FIN: Finance

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting the sustainable economic contributions of agricultural, ecological, and educational tourism, as provided by educational retreats, which with a focus on nature, culture and wellness provide authentic experiences of Hawai`i attractive to resident and visiting students and faculty. Hawai`i's educational retreats, one with 40 years of operation have proven to be socially responsible enterprises that bolster, even anchor, the economies of remote rural areas in some of the State's impoverished and fast growing areas, where government facilities and services are less available than in urban areas. Retreats also encourage responsible ecological land stewardship, enhancing county property tax earnings, and provide models for sustainable community living inspired by Hawaii's heritage.

EEP: Energy & Environmental Protection

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting ecologically focused educational retreats which model safe alternative energy (e.g. solar banks and net metering), demonstrate eco-construction methods utilizing renewable materials (e.g. bamboo), preserve historic sites and revitalize traditional ahupua'a methods of sustainable living, and provide remote rural areas' needs for agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

This letter supports Senate **Bill SB2944** and House Bills: **HB1918 and HB1919** because educational retreats. expands awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai`i while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services. These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

My support for this bill agrees with statements that many Hawai`i leaders have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Hawai`i's largest retreat, established in 1975, Kalani Honua (see letters signed by 245 supporters at www.kalani.com/HelpHawaiiThrive). Such educational retreats…

• provide an important anchor, both economically and socially as models of sustainability, engaging visiting students and faculty in cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in districts that endure poverty and its related challenges. Ecological educational retreats bring visitors and residents together, use local products and support local businesses. Kalani's reputation in the community over the decades is excellent. Everyone knows Kalani's events will be professionally organized and welcoming to the entire diversity of Puna's residents, as well as the many visitors they bring from around the world to experience Puna hospitality. –
Russell Ruderman, Hawai`i State Senate

• can, like Kalani Honua, inspire 30,000 participants per year with the experience, resources, and passion to bolster an area's economy while promoting food security and incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. -- William Moekahi Steiner, Dean, University of Hawai'i College of Agriculture, Forestry, Natural Resource Management

• provide opportunity tools that implement the growth of admiration and respect towards our Native Hawaiian Culture and our land. The Kalani Honua educational retreat provides the continuity, consistency and stability of success towards tourism in our community. We must acknowledge those individuals who project dedication to live the life of aloha and share it with the world. -- Faye Hanohano, Hawai`i State Legislator

• continue, like Kalani Honua, with a history of 39 years, to be a positive influence in local agriculture, while promoting cultural awareness and wellness. Support for educational retreat programs will allow many more to appreciate the importance of Hawai`i agriculture in our daily lives. -- Russell Kokubun, Chair, Hawai`i Department of Agriculture

• as exemplified by Kalani Honua, are endeavors in sustainable living firmly rooted in intercultural values which promote harmony between humans and the earth. – Trina Nahm-Mijo, University of Hawai`i, Chair, Social Science Department

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate **Bill SB2944** and House Bills: **HB1918 and HB1919** and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats. I also express appreciation for Kalani, the State's model of educational retreat programs and facilities, with: revitalized ahupua'a sustainable heritage sites and programs; extensive ag and aquaculture food production on lands of poor and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging as many as 300 resident students, staff and faculty.

Sincerely,

e-sign 29-Jan-2014 *Michael Amado* *Rancher*
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From: Julie Southern [mailto:juliesouthern2@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 8:04 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject:

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreatsexpand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai'i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,
Julie Southern

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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

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Los Angeles, CA

From: Jevans.Isabel [mailto:Isabel.Jevans@IGT.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 7:45 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Bills about Hawaiian retreat centers

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

Isabel Jevans

-----Original Message-----
From: Salli & Jim [mailto:" alta"@telluridecolorado.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 7:43 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 & HB1919

Dear Sirs and Madams,

It is an honor to send a letter in support of the above Bills supporting educational retreat centers in the beautiful islands of Hawaii.

This is a wonderful opportunity to expand awareness and appreciation of the history and enviornment of Hawaii while providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation and services.

These bills support the develpment of a more sustainable way of living.

I respectfully urge your support in the bills.

Sincerely,

Salli Russell P,O. Box 651 Telluride, Colorado 81435 alta@telluridecolorado.net

From: McGregor Wells Hayslip [mailto:mcgregor.wells.hayslip@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 7:43 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support for SB2944 and HB1918

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreatsexpand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,
McGregor Wells Hayslip

From: Franklin Davis [mailto:brassworksmusic@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 7:16 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Please Support SB2944, HB1918, HB1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

I wish to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

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Sincerely,

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From: Kalani Kitchen [mailto:kitchen@kalani.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 7:03 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: mahalo for these opportunities!

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Sincerely,
Sami Ross

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Subject: SB2944 HB1918 HB1919

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

Ms. Nancy Williamson
nancywnm@yahoo.com

From: Jane Burton-Bell [mailto:fabiola@rockisland.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 6:59 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919,

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Sincerely,

Jane Burton Bell

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From: Judy McClenaghan [mailto:drjudymcc@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 6:57 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com; lj@kalani.com
Subject: Please support Hawaii's retreat centers

Dear Legislators,

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

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Sincerely,
Dr. Judy McClenaghan
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From: Stephanie Smith [mailto:stephanie_asmith@mac.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 6:41 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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Warm Regards,

Stephanie A Smith

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From: Pantera, Randi [mailto:rpantera@pima.edu]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 6:08 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: support for HB 1918 HB 1919 SB2944

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

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Sincerely,

Randi Pantera

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Subject: Favor legalization of rural eductational retreats

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From: Patti Phillips [mailto:matchfactory2013@gmail.com]
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Subject: Hawaii's Retreat Centers Action

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Sincerely,

Patti Phillips
Owner and Principal

The Match Factory

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Sincerely,

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From: Kris Young [mailto:bumslife@gmail.com]
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Subject: Hawaii's retreat centers

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From: Catrina Walker [mailto:cwalker@sonic.net]
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Subject: Fwd: URGENT - support Kalani & edu retreats with Hawai'i Senate Bill: SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

ALOHA HONORABLE HAWAI`I STATE LEGISLATORS

This letter is addressed to all Senators in Committees PSM, HTH and JDL and all House Representatives in Committees AGR, WAL, FIN and EEP
to request your support for **SB2944; HB1918 and HB1919** (copies attached)
Please support educational retreats and help Hawai`i thrive sustainably!

Please send any change recommendations to the authoring team leaders Richard Koob, L.J. Bates and legal counsel Tom Yeh: richkoob@kalani.com; lj@kalani.com; Tly@lava.net

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The importance of these bills in relation to each Committee is as follows:

PSM: Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

SB2944 meets committee goals by providing public safety, volunteer fire departments, Community Emergency Response Trainings, Red Cross and other emergency shelter and disaster readiness in remote rural areas; and by supporting county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that help provide for an area's needs for: agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

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AGR: Agriculture

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting educational retreats' successes in augmenting sustainable

food production on lands of minimal or poor soil through the use of permaculture, aquaculture, organic agriculture, and native plant preservation and propagation inspired by traditional ahupua'a community living.

WAL: Water and Land

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EEP: Energy & Environmental Protection

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting ecologically focused educational retreats which model safe alternative energy (e.g. solar banks and net metering), demonstrate eco-construction methods utilizing renewable materials (e.g. bamboo), preserve historic sites and revitalize traditional ahupua'a methods of sustainable living, and provide remote rural areas' needs for agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

This letter supports Senate **Bill SB2944** and House Bills: **HB1918 and HB1919** because educational retreats. expands awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai`i while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services. These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

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• provide an important anchor, both economically and socially as models of sustainability, engaging visiting students and faculty in cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in districts that endure poverty and its related challenges. Ecological educational retreats bring visitors and residents together, use local products and support local businesses. Kalani's reputation in the community over the decades is excellent. Everyone knows Kalani's events will be professionally organized and welcoming to the entire diversity of Puna's residents, as well as the many visitors they bring from around the world to experience Puna hospitality. – Russell Ruderman, Hawai`i State Senate

• can, like Kalani Honua, inspire 30,000 participants per year with the experience, resources, and passion to bolster an area's economy while promoting food security and incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. -- William Moekahi Steiner, Dean, University of Hawai'i College of Agriculture, Forestry, Natural Resource Management

• provide opportunity tools that implement the growth of admiration and respect towards our Native Hawaiian Culture and our land. The Kalani Honua educational retreat provides the continuity, consistency and stability of success towards tourism in our community. We must acknowledge those individuals who project dedication to live the life of aloha and share it with the world. -- Faye Hanohano, Hawai`i State Legislator

• continue, like Kalani Honua, with a history of 39 years, to be a positive influence in local agriculture, while promoting cultural awareness and wellness. Support for educational retreat programs will allow many more to appreciate the importance of Hawai`i agriculture in our daily lives. -- Russell Kokubun, Chair, Hawai`i Department of Agriculture

• as exemplified by Kalani Honua, are endeavors in sustainable living firmly rooted in intercultural values which promote harmony between humans and the earth. – Trina Nahm-Mijo, University of Hawai`i, Chair, Social Science Department
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Subject: Letter in Support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919

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I believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

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My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975.

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Sincerely,

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

I am pleased to provide you this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman. With the co-operation of everyone involved, they help create a legacy of sustainability, making a long lasting environmental change for the better for the people of Hawai'i and those who love to visit there. It it through places like this that a community can be healthy and lasting for many generations to come.

I believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services. The retreats give people like myself an opportunity for learning and growth. They are integral to the economy of Hawai'i, and the sustainability of the community which should be a great concern.

My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975. It was with great pleasure that I found out about Kalani, and the educational retreats that are on Hawai'i. I will support them in any way that I can.

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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 & House Bill HB1918

Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

As a New Yorker who has been visiting Hawai'i for the past 35 years and attended several educational/artist retreats, I am once again impressed with the state's concern for social and artistic oriented legislation.

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My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have made about the importance of educational retreats.

Aloha!

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Sincerely,

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Subject: Kalani and other Hawai‘i educational retreats

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreatsexpand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai'i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai'i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975.

I express appreciation for Kalani's leadership in Hawai'i, as a model of educational retreat programs and facilities, with revitalized ahupua'a sustainable heritage sites and programs; extensive ag and aquaculture food production on lands of poor and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai'i thrive.

Sincerely,

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From: Edward Jorczyk [mailto:ejorczyk@icloud.com]
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To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: In support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai'i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975.

As a nearby property owner and frequent guest of Kalani, I express appreciation for Kalani‘s leadership in Hawai‘i, as a model of educational retreat programs and facilities, with revitalized ahupua'a sustainable heritage sites and programs; extensive ag and aquaculture food production on lands of poor and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

Edward Jorczyk
Pahoa, HI & Minneapolis, MN

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Subject: In support of Hawaii retreat centers

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975.

I express appreciation for Kalani‘s leadership in Hawai‘i, as a model of educational retreat programs and facilities, with revitalized ahupua'a sustainable heritage sites and programs; extensive ag and aquaculture food production on lands of poor and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

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Jack Kiburz

630-621-5691

It's good now and then/to go out snow-viewing/until I tumble. **Matsuo Basho**

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreatsexpand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

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My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975.

I express appreciation for Kalani‘s leadership in Hawai‘i, as a model of educational retreat programs and facilities, with revitalized ahupua'a sustainable heritage sites and programs; extensive ag and aquaculture food production on lands of poor and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,
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From: Aline Gauger [mailto:writerpainterpoet@hotmail.com]
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To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Kalanii

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreatsexpand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

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My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975.

I express appreciation for Kalani‘s leadership in Hawai‘i, as a model of educational retreat programs and facilities, with revitalized ahupua'a sustainable heritage sites and programs; extensive ag and aquaculture food production on lands of poor and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

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From: Hannah LaBonte [mailto:hannah.labonte@gmail.com]
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To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject:

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreatsexpand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

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and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

Hannah LaBonte

From: Cynthia Verschuur Marlin [mailto:lahi@hawaiiantel.net]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 1:26 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: In favor of SB2944, HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha Hawai‘i State Legislators,

This letter is in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975. I am also much appreciative of Seaview Performing Arts Center for Education (S.P.A.C.E.) and Hawaiian Sanctuary (MM12).

I express appreciation for Kalani‘s leadership in Hawai‘i, as a model of educational retreat programs and facilities, with

revitalized ahupua'a sustainable heritage sites and programs; extensive ag and aquaculture food production on lands of poor and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

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million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

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From: Colin Kilian [mailto:kilcolin@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 1:11 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: In support if educational retreats

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

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poor and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawaii thrive.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Hawaii retreats

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats. I had to stop bringing retreat groups to Maui from the UK a few years ago because of changes in law there and though Kalani has been a base I have used when I had to change my group’s ;ocation at the very last minute from Maui to Big Island,it was a very challenging thing to do at

such short notice and since then I haven't yet returned to facilitate a retreat there, instead doing so in the UK, though I intend to return in the near future.

I believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai'i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai'i thrive.

Sincerely,
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From: Frans Van Herck [mailto:watermanfrats@gmail.com]
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Subject: Educational retreat centers.

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai'i thrive.

Sincerely,

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To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai'i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services. Many of these underserved residents are at higher risk for diabetes and other health concerns, conditions which can be reduced through sustainable healthy and affordable food sources.

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

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Appreciatively,

Jill Murray

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From: Cat Caruso [mailto:catcaruso@gmail.com]
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Subject: Re: Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

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Sincerely,
Jennifer Kringel

Mit freundlichen Grüßen / Best regards

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Subject: Support SB 2944 and HB 1918 and 1919

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Subject: supporting Kalani

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

I have traveled all the way from Greece to visit Hawai'i and have had the pleasure to stay at Kalani. I have to admit that my stay there has given me a very good inside of the Hawai'ian civilization and has shown me the real aloha spirit. This visit has changed both my life and my personality and I would defenately recomend anyone to visit Kalani and become a member of the ohana. This is why I am sending you this support email for Kalani.

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

Jaden Fox

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Subject: Approvals for Educational Retreats

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Sincerely,

Mahalia

Author and Retreat Facilitator

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From: Garth Gilchrist [mailto:garthtales@aol.com]
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Subject: Legislation affecting Hawii's Retreat Centers

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

I want to state my support for Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

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These bills support sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

Many leaders throughout Hawai‘i have stated the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani

Honua, Hawaii's largest retreat center, established in 1975.

Kalani‘s leadership in Hawai‘i has been exceptional, as a model of educational retreat programs and facilities, with revitalized ahupua'a sustainable heritage sites and programs; extensive ag and aquaculture food production on lands of poor and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919.

Sincerely,

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From: gldowney@gmail.com [mailto:gldowney@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 6:17 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Save our Hawai'i

Please, anything you do to maintain the nature and beauty of Hawai'i will be appreciated by people all over the world. Hawai'i is unrivaled in it's natural beauty and can not be recovered once it is lost.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Gabriela Downey

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From: Laura Cusack [mailto:laura.cusack@iinet.net.au]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 6:17 PM
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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

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Sincerely,

Laura Cusack
Sydney, Australia

From: Jorysings@aol.com [mailto:Jorysings@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 6:12 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support Hawaiian Educational Retreat Centers!

Hello Senators and Representatives,

I am an early childhood teacher. Working with young children is demanding and exhausting work. It's also a calling, as young children are building the foundation of who they are for the rest of their life. It's a critical time in a person's development; the studies are there to prove this. Sadly, the pay is low, the hours are long, and vacations are rare.

A couple years ago, I went to Kalani for a week-long music and art retreat. We had lessons during the mornings and adventures around the Big Island, in the afternoons. I loved every second of it; the learning, exploring, renewing, resting, and re-connecting to myself. I wish I could afford to do this every year, but just knowing it exists, helps. It was the highlight of my year. When I came back, I had to face some very bad news. My one week kept me going.

Please do what you can to support these retreats. They aren't just for wealthy sunbathers. They're for all of us.

Thank-you,

Jory Aronson

From: Marya Mann [mailto:marya.mann@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 6:08 PM
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Subject: Please support SB 2944 and HB1918, 1919

Aloha Honorable Hawaiii State Legislators,

Mahalo for reading this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai'i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

My support for this bill agrees with statements that many leaders throughout Hawa'i have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Kalani Honua, Hawai'i's largest retreat center, established in 1975 in Puna, and the Sanctuary of Mana Kea Gardens, established in 2003 in Kona.

I appreciate your leadership in Hawai'i, and for supporting sustainable agriculture, education and integrated learning models. Hawai'i can be a model of inter-cultural, cross-disciplinary educational retreat programs and facilities.

With revitalized ahupua'a sustainable heritage sites and programs, extensive ag and aquaculture food production on lands and community gardens throughout the towns and villages of our island, we can stimulate impoverished districts with organic gardening, permaculture, culinary, wellness and arts trainings as well as programs like Feed the Children that nourish island culture at all levels. Our daily, weekly and annual services and festivals, classes and events, engage thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai'i thrive.
Sincerely,
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From: tojudyfoster@gmail.com [mailto:tojudyfoster@gmail.com] **On Behalf Of** Judy Ann Foster
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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

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I express appreciation for Kalani‘s leadership in Hawai‘i, as a model of educational retreat programs and facilities, with revitalized ahupua'a sustainable heritage sites and programs; extensive ag and aquaculture food production on lands of poor and minimal soil; $10 million annual stimulus for an impoverished district; permaculture, culinary, wellness, arts and safety trainings; and daily services engaging thousands of local residents, as well as students, staff and faculty.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 approvals for educational retreats

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai'i thrive.

Sincerely,

Sharlene Schneier

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From: Maui krystal [mailto:goddesskrystal@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 5:23 PM
To: richkoob@kalani.com
Subject: Hb1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

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Sincerely,
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Sent from Yahoo! Mail for iPad

From: Richard Azzolini [mailto:chefazzolini@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 5:01 PM

Subject: support education retreat centers please

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

Richard Azzolini
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From: Mary Marvin Porter [mailto:islandeyesvideo@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 4:59 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

I support Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

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Sincerely,

Mary Marvin Porter

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HPP, Kea'au, Hawai'i

From: Barrie Rose [mailto:barrie@barrierose.net]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 4:56 PM
To: Barrie Rose
Subject: Educational Retreats

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

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Sincerely,

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From: tberry@b-e-school.com [mailto:tberry@b-e-school.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 4:52 PM
To: richkoob@kalani.com
Subject: Help Hawaii's Educational Retreat Centers

Dear Friend of Body Electric,

We often have to search high and low for venues that will allow us to do the work we do. It is therefore important to support those places where our work is possible. In today's economy, many are suffering because of increased costs, decreased donations, and sometimes decreased enrollments or program cancellations.

Two places used historically and frequently are Easton Mountain and Wildwood which, if you have

done workshops at either place, you will know how special they are. Without them our programming would be limited. So I'll make a pitch on their behalf as well so that should you have the opportunity to aid their missions, you will have it in your heart to do so.

Another place that we have used over the years for programming is Kalani on the Big Island of Hawaii.

I received this email today from Kalani requesting our help in supporting impending legislation that will aid their survival. Please help to insure the future of Hawaii's retreat centers.

Many thanks.

Tom Berry

Managing Director

The Body Electric School

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

What Hawaii's Leaders Have to Say:

Educational retreat centers:

... provide an important anchor, both economically and socially, as models of sustainability, engaging visiting students and faculty in cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in districts that endure poverty and its related challenges. Ecological educational retreats bring visitors and residents together, use local products and support local businesses.

- Russell Ruderman, Hawai‘i State Senate

... can inspire, like Kalani Honua, 30,000 participants per year with the experience, resources, and passion to bolster an area's economy while promoting food security and incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture.

- William Moekahi Steiner, Dean, University of Hawai‘i College of Agriculture, Forestry, Natural Resource Management

... provide opportunity tools that implement the growth of admiration and respect towards our Native Hawaiian Culture and our land. The Kalani Honua educational retreat provides the continuity, consistency and stability of success towards tourism in our community. We must acknowledge those individuals who project dedication to live the life of aloha and share it with the world.

- Faye Hanohano, Hawai‘i State Legislator

... continue to be a positive influence in local agriculture, while promoting cultural awareness and wellness. Support for educational retreat programs will allow many more to appreciate the importance of Hawai`i agriculture in our daily lives.

- Russell Kokubun, Chair, Hawai‘i Department of Agriculture

... are endeavors in sustainable living firmly rooted in intercultural values which promote harmony between humans and the earth.

- Trina Nahm-Mijo, University of Hawai‘i, Chair, Social Science Department

The importance of these bills in relation to each Committee is as follows:

PSM: Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
SB2944 meets committee goals by providing public safety, volunteer fire departments, Community Emergency Response Trainings, Red Cross and other emergency shelter and disaster readiness in remote rural areas; and by supporting county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that help provide for an area's needs for: agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

HTH: Health
SB2944 meets committee goals by providing general health and wellness programs and facilities in remote rural areas, including wellness, body therapy, culinary, yoga and related intern training intensives, as well as public safety, volunteer fire departments, Community Emergency Response Trainings, Red Cross and other emergency shelter and disaster readiness; and by supporting county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that help provide for an area's needs for: agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

JDL: Judiciary and Labor
SB2944 meets committee goals by supporting, in remote rural areas, educational retreats which facilitate neighborhood community cooperation, safety training and implementation, public elections, sustainable living practices, education in individual rights and civil liberties, employment training and opportunities (ecology, ag and aquaculture, permaculture, wellness, culinary, yoga, facility management, leadership, hospitality, culture and the arts), special need and senior programs including assisted living facilities, and county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that help provide for an area's needs for: agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services,

supplies and safety.

AGR: Agriculture
HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting educational retreats' successes in augmenting sustainable food production on lands of minimal or poor soil through the use of permaculture, aquaculture, organic agriculture, and native plant preservation and propagation inspired by traditional ahupua'a community living.

WAL: Water and Land
HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting ecology education, coastal and land water conservation, LUC and county sustainability education and implementation initiatives, historic site preservation and ahupua'a revitalization, and the provision of remote rural areas' needs for agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

FIN: Finance
HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting the sustainable economic contributions of agricultural, ecological, and educational tourism, as provided by educational retreats, which with a focus on nature, culture and wellness provide authentic experiences of Hawai`i attractive to resident and visiting students and faculty. Hawai`i's educational retreats, one with 40 years of operation have proven to be socially responsible enterprises that bolster, even anchor, the economies of remote rural areas in some of the State's impoverished and fast growing areas, where government facilities and services are less available than in urban areas. Retreats also encourage responsible ecological land stewardship, enhancing county property tax earnings, and provide models for sustainable community living inspired by Hawaii's heritage.

EEP: Energy & Environmental Protection
HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting ecologically focused educational retreats which model safe alternative energy (e.g. solar banks and net metering), demonstrate eco-construction methods utilizing renewable materials (e.g. bamboo), preserve historic sites and revitalize traditional ahupua'a methods of sustainable living, and provide remote rural areas' needs for agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

Sincerely,

Tom Berry

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Subject: Support Hawaii

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

It is my honor to write you urging a support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats. I believe that educational retreat centers provide a much needed and incredibly beneficial service to the land and people of Hawaii. In a place where so much revenue already comes from tourism, it is refreshing and inspiring to find centers that are working to teach and to "enlighten" visitors and residents alike. We are in an age where ecological responsibility is finally gaining the importance it deserves and it is so refreshing to see Hawaii continue to take steps as a leader in this field. We can lead by example and help to show the whole world a better way, all while generating revenue, jobs and services for the islands. Thank you for you time and again, I urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919.
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Please support educational retreats and help Hawai`i thrive sustainably!

Please send any change recommendations to the authoring team leaders Richard Koob, L.J. Bates and legal counsel Tom Yeh: richkoob@kalani.com; lj@kalani.com; Tly@lava.net

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Aloha Hawaii State Senators,

We are blessed to have special (none commercial places) to come together to keep our community strong and offer refuge for people of different lands. Please do not let "big business" or "s" torture growth, learning, education, art and community.

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Subject: Hawaii's Retreat Centers

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreatsexpand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

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Sincerely,

Margie Renwood

Brisbane, QLD

Australia

(Previous guest of Kalani Honua and regular visitor to the Hawaiian Islands)

From: Mary Koob [mailto:koobm001@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, February 03, 2014 9:11 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Educational retreat bill

Please vote in favor of the continuing great work of Kalani Honua, Kalapana, Hawaii, an educational retreat, by passing SB 2944, and HB
1918 & HB 1919. The Hawaii Land Use commission and the Hawaii County Planning commission need to support this amazing project, enhancing the Hawaiian cultural experience for guests and volunteers from all over the world. Please make Kalani as asset for the future. Mahalo
nui loa. Sincerely, Mary Jane Koob (koobm001@hawaii.rr.com),
808-676-9296.

From: Keenan Cheney [mailto:keenan.cheney@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 03, 2014 9:03 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919

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I have, since moving here almost a year ago, had a dream of starting a healing arts retreat on Big Island. This legislation would directly impact my ability to provide & sustain educational services to the community.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely, Keenan Cheney

Sent from my iPhone

From: David Mawhinney [mailto:David.Mawhinney@equiniti-ics.com]
Sent: Monday, February 03, 2014 8:05 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

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Sincerely,

Tracey Mawhinney

From: jennbrooks63 [mailto:jennbrooks63@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 02, 2014 7:29 PM
To: senruderman@capitol.hawaii.gov; m.greenough@capitol.hawaii.gov; rephanohano@capitol.hawaii.gov; p.ryan@capitol.hawaii.gov; senespero@capitol.hawaii.gov; senbaker@capitol.hawaii.gov; sengaluteria@capitol.hawaii.gov; senslom@capitol.hawaii.gov; sengreen@capitol.hawaii.gov; senchunoakland@capitol.hawaii.gov; sennishihara@capitol.hawaii.gov; senhee@capitol.hawaii.gov; senshimabukuro@capitol.hawaii.gov; sengabbard@capitol.hawaii.gov; sensolomon@capitol.hawaii.gov; senihara@capitol.hawaii.gov; lj@kalani.com; richkoob@kalani.com; Tly@lava.net; repwooley@capitol.hawaii.gov; reponishi@capitol.hawaii.gov; repawana@Capitol.hawaii.gov; repbrower@capitol.hawaii.gov; repcachola@capitol.hawaii.gov; repchoy@capitol.hawaii.gov; reptokioka@capitol.hawaii.gov; reptsuji@capitol.hawaii.gov; repohno@capitol.hawaii.gov; repmatsumoto@capitol.hawaii.gov; repward@capitol.hawaii.gov; replowen@capitol.hawaii.gov; repevans@capitol.hawaii.gov; repcullen@capitol.hawaii.gov; repkawakami@capitol.hawaii.gov; repclee@capitol.hawaii.gov; repnishimoto@capitol.hawaii.gov; repsay@capitol.hawaii.gov; repfale@capitol.hawaii.gov; repthielen@capitol.hawaii.gov; repluke@capitol.hawaii.gov; epjohanson@capitol.hawaii.gov; rephashem@capitol.hawaii.gov; reping@capitol.hawaii.gov; repjordan@capitol.hawaii.gov; repkobayashi@capitol.hawaii.gov; repmorikawa@capitol.hawaii.gov; reptakayama@capitol.hawaii.gov; repwoodson@capitol.hawaii.gov; repyamashita@capitol.hawaii.gov; repfukumoto@capitol.hawaii.gov
Subject: Fwd: URGENT - support Kalani & edu retreats with Hawai'i Senate Bill: SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

ALOHA HONORABLE HAWAI`I STATE LEGISLATORS

This letter is addressed to all Senators in Committees PSM, HTH and JDL and all House Representatives in Committees AGR, WAL, FIN and EEP to request your support for **SB2944; HB1918 and HB1919** (copies attached)

Please support educational retreats and help Hawai`i thrive sustainably!

I have been participating in the experience which is Kalani, an eco-sustainable wellness retreat centre on the Puna Coast, for the past three years, and can honestly say the attached legislation would make it easier for Kalani to deliver the gift of emotional and physical health to both visitors and locals alike. Please consider the information in the light of this.

Mahalo!

Jenn Brooks

Vancouver, Canada

Please send any change recommendations to the authoring team leaders Richard Koob, L.J. Bates and legal counsel Tom Yeh: richkoob@kalani.com; lj@kalani.com; Tly@lava.net

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Hawaii State Capitol, Room 418; Phone 808-586-6530; Fax 808-586-6531; Call toll free from outer islands: (808) 974-4000 then 66530#

The importance of these bills in relation to each Committee is as follows:

PSM: Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

SB2944 meets committee goals by providing public safety, volunteer fire departments, Community Emergency Response Trainings, Red Cross and other emergency shelter and disaster readiness in remote rural areas; and by supporting county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that help provide for an area's needs for: agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

HTH: Health

SB2944 meets committee goals by providing general health and wellness programs and facilities in remote rural areas, including wellness, body therapy, culinary, yoga and related intern training intensives, as well as public safety, volunteer fire departments, Community Emergency Response Trainings, Red Cross and other emergency shelter and disaster readiness; and by supporting county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that help provide for an area's needs for: agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

JDL: Judiciary and Labor

SB2944 meets committee goals by supporting, in remote rural areas, educational retreats which facilitate neighborhood community cooperation, safety training and implementation, public elections, sustainable living practices, education in individual rights and civil liberties, employment training and opportunities (ecology, ag and aquaculture, permaculture, wellness, culinary, yoga, facility management, leadership, hospitality, culture and the arts), special need and senior programs including assisted living facilities, and county approvals of educational retreats, particularly those which demonstrate and have been recognized for the provision of nature, culture, wellness and sustainable living experiences in the spirit of 'ohana and aloha; and that help provide for an area's needs for: agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

AGR: Agriculture

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting educational retreats' successes in augmenting sustainable food production on lands of minimal or poor soil through the use of permaculture, aquaculture,

organic agriculture, and native plant preservation and propagation inspired by traditional ahupua'a community living.

WAL: Water and Land

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting ecology education, coastal and land water conservation, LUC and county sustainability education and implementation initiatives, historic site preservation and ahupua'a revitalization, and the provision of remote rural areas' needs for agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

FIN: Finance

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting the sustainable economic contributions of agricultural, ecological, and educational tourism, as provided by educational retreats, which with a focus on nature, culture and wellness provide authentic experiences of Hawai`i attractive to resident and visiting students and faculty. Hawai`i's educational retreats, one with 40 years of operation have proven to be socially responsible enterprises that bolster, even anchor, the economies of remote rural areas in some of the State's impoverished and fast growing areas, where government facilities and services are less available than in urban areas. Retreats also encourage responsible ecological land stewardship, enhancing county property tax earnings, and provide models for sustainable community living inspired by Hawaii's heritage.

EEP: Energy & Environmental Protection

HB1918 and HB1919 meet committee goals by supporting ecologically focused educational retreats which model safe alternative energy (e.g. solar banks and net metering), demonstrate eco-construction methods utilizing renewable materials (e.g. bamboo), preserve historic sites and revitalize traditional ahupua'a methods of sustainable living, and provide remote rural areas' needs for agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, services, supplies and safety.

This letter supports Senate **Bill SB2944** and House Bills: **HB1918 and HB1919.** These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fishers.

My support for these bills agrees with statements many Hawai`i leaders have made about the importance of educational retreats and the exemplary role of Hawai`i's largest retreat, Kalani Honua (see letters signed by 245 supporters at www.kalani.com/HelpHawaiiThrive). Such educational retreats…

• provide an important anchor, both economically and socially as models of sustainability, engaging visiting students and faculty in cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in districts that endure poverty and its related challenges. Ecological educational retreats bring visitors and residents together, use local products and support local businesses. Kalani's reputation in the community over the decades is excellent. Everyone knows Kalani's events will be professionally organized and welcoming to the entire diversity of Puna's residents, as well as the many visitors they bring from around the world to experience Puna hospitality. – Russell Ruderman, Hawai`i State Senate

• can, like Kalani Honua, inspire 30,000 participants per year with the experience, resources, and passion to bolster an area's economy while promoting food security and incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. -- William Moekahi Steiner, Dean, University of Hawai'i College of Agriculture, Forestry, Natural Resource Management

• provide opportunity tools that implement the growth of admiration and respect towards our Native Hawaiian

Culture and our land. The Kalani Honua educational retreat provides the continuity, consistency and stability of success towards tourism in our community. We must acknowledge those individuals who project dedication to live the life of aloha and share it with the world. -- Faye Hanohano, Hawai`i State Legislator

• continue, like Kalani Honua, with a history of 39 years, to be a positive influence in local agriculture, while promoting cultural awareness and wellness. Support for educational retreat programs will allow many more to appreciate the importance of Hawai`i agriculture in our daily lives. -- Russell Kokubun, Chair, Hawai`i Department of Agriculture

• as exemplified by Kalani Honua, are endeavors in sustainable living firmly rooted in intercultural values which promote harmony between humans and the earth. – Trina Nahm-Mijo, University of Hawai`i, Chair, Social Science Department.

Submitted by

Sincerely,

_X_ Jennifer M. Brooks, Vancouver, Canada - Kalani Guest/Owner, Twilight Writers, Jennbrooks63@gmail.com, 310-693-4557

From: Emerald [mailto:emeraldbali@me.com]
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Subject: Support Hawai'i's Educational Retreat Centers

Aloha Honorable Hawai'i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

These bills support the development of more sustainable methods of living, allowing greater implementation of county and state sustainable living policies, including furthering food and energy self-sufficiency in manners exemplified by educational retreats which engage local businesses, vendors, farmers and fisherman.

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I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

Emerald Starr

email <emeraldbali@me.com>

Tel. 415-516-2574

From: Carol Rosskam [mailto:crosskam@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 01, 2014 7:36 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: supporting SB 2944 and HB 1918 and HB 1919 and LU Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats

Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

Aloha from Boston, from a former UH student and Hawai'i resident, Community/Regional Planner, and professional working in higher education and sustainability. I write to support Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I adamantly believe that educational retreats expand awareness and appreciation of the heritage and environment of Hawai‘i, while also providing a sustainable economy for rural areas and residents most in need of agricultural food production, education, employment, energy, recreation, safety, supplies, and services.

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Thank you, mahalo nui loa.

Carol Rosskam

PO Box 920620, Needham, MA 02492, former resident of the Makiki neighborhood of Honolulu

From: Wellness Through Movement, Catherine Rosasco Mitchell [mailto:info@wellnessthroughmovement.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 8:54 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Hawaii Retreat Centers

Aloha Hawaii State Senators,

We are blessed to have special (none commercial places) to come together to keep our community strong and offer refuge for people of different lands. Please do not let "big business" or "s" torture growth, learning, education, art and community.

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Sincerely,

Catherine Rosasco Mitchell Wellness Through Movement,
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From: Laura Cusack [mailto:laura.cusack@iinet.net.au]
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 6:17 PM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919

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Sincerely,

Laura Cusack
Sydney, Australia

Sent from my iPhone

From: warren scruggs [mailto:warrenscruggs@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, February 01, 2014 8:31 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Educational retreat centers

February 1, 2014

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

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Sincerely,

Warren Scruggs warrenscruggs@aol.com (310) 508-8765

From: Susanne Meier [mailto:sus.meier@bluewin.ch]
Sent: Saturday, February 01, 2014 3:33 AM
To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate and House bills re educational retreats in Hawai'i

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

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Sincerely,

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Subject: SB2944, HB 1918, HB 1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support of the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I express appreciation for Kalani‘s leadership in Hawai‘i, as a model of educational retreat programs and facilities. I first visited Kalani in October of 2012, again last September, and plan to return many times in the future. On each visit, I've been impressed with the dedication of both Kalani's staff and overall mission in promoting the fundamental principles of environmental sustainability through their programs and practice.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Sincerely,

Mike Turner

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Subject: Legislation effecting Kalani Retreat

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Sincerely,

Daphne Powell RN Hospice

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P.S.Faithful Guest at Kalani Retreat with friends, family and fellow travelers. Kalani and places like it will always bring me back to Hawaii. Not exactly a Disney Resort Fan

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Subject: Senate Bill 2944 and HB 1918 and 1919

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Sincerely,

Diane Foos

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Jamison, PA

P.S. A year ago my 19 year old daughter spent 3 months as a volunteer at Kalani and had a wonderful experience during which time she developed an appreciation for Hawaii's unique culture and natural resources. I would hope that other young people will have a similiar opportunity.

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Subject: To whom this may Concern

Sent from Windows Mail

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Sincerely,

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Subject: Fwd: URGENT - support Kalani & edu retreats with Hawai'i Senate Bill: SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha,

Please continue to support Hawaii eco retreats such as Kalani Oceanside Retreat. Preserving spots such as Kalani are paramount to the overall balance of our Earth. I have been enjoying Kalani for over ten years and look forward to bringing future generations to this site to learn about protecting the environment, Hawaiian culture and future sustainability.

Mahalo,

Virginia Miller

From: Matthew Nash [mailto:mnash05@googlemail.com]
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To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919

Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators

I had the pleasure of visiting Kalani Honua retreat center in the beginning of last year. During this time I learned many things about the state of Hawaii and it's incredible diversity, natural heritage, culture and it's desire to move towards a more sustainable future where people can learn to live in harmony with nature and one another.

I believe that educational retreat centres such as Kalani are essential in supporting communities in Hawai'i where it's most needed and I found Kalani in particular to be a shining example of what is possible when people are brought together in a positive way for the good of the community and the environment.

Kalani has changed my life for the better and has helped me gain a greater understanding of myself and others through education, awareness and through sharing their own enthusiasm for nature as well as a deeper more fulfilling life. Puna itself is no doubt a better place for having a centre such as Kalani exist there.

I respectfully urge your support of Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills HB1918 and HB1919, to help Hawai‘i thrive.

Aloha

Matthew Nash
United Kingdom

From: Vincent Arsenault [mailto:arsenaultv@verizon.net]
Sent: Friday, January 31, 2014 6:50 AM

To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
Subject: Please support SB2944 and HB 1918 and HB 1919

Please support the Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission and county planning commission approvals for educational retreats.

I come to Hawaii for these services and would greatly appreciate the vote.

Vince Arsenault

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Subject: Senate Bill SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919 and Land Use Commission

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Sincerely,

A. Pavan Corsi

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From: Letitia Quinn [mailto:tishexquisites@earthlink.net]
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Sincerely,

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To: hawaiisenatorsandreps@kalani.com
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Sincerely,

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From: Moongoddessbarb Owner [mailto:moongoddessbarb@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 11:41 PM
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Subject: RE: URGENT - support Kalani & edu retreats with Hawai'i Senate Bill: SB2944 and House Bills: HB1918 and HB1919

i soooo want to support this. Aloha Honorable Hawai‘i State Legislators,

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Moongoddessbarb Owner [mailto:moongoddessbarb@msn.com]

On Fri, May 2, 2014 at 6:16 AM, Susan Eve Heschel <heschel9@gmail.com> wrote:

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Sincerely,

Susan Eve Heschel

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I LOVE KALANI!

I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and
Land Use Commission special use approval for educational retreat operations.

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support for Kalani's 2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for consolidated and expanded educational retreat operations.

Kalani has been an important anchor, both economically and socially in the Puna district as a model of sustainability, while combining tourism, cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in a district that endures poverty and its related challenges.

I have participated with Kalani's innovative team in previous programs, and I continue to be inspired by their ability to attract people from diverse backgrounds to successfully create meaningful projects while fostering deeper understanding both amongst the participants, and their audiences - the surrounding community and thousands of Hawai`i, national, and international visitors.

Please support Kalani's important projects on Hawai`i, the Big Island. Kalani has the experience, the resources, and the passion to drive agritourism, while incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. I very much support their educational programs and leadership in sustainable community. I am excited about the opportunities for public education and international understanding that these programs provide.

Mahalo,

x Dennis Denker

Dennis Denker

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Additional signatures receive on duplicates of above letter:

Mahalo,

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I support Kalani's Drive to Help Hawai'i Thrive!

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Support for Kalani Honua (dba Kalani Oceanside Retreat)
2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and
Land Use Commission special use approval for educational retreat operations.

It is a pleasure to provide this letter in support for Kalani's 2012 educational Festivals, 100 annual events, 50 weekly activities and Land Use Commission special use approval for consolidated and expanded educational retreat operations.

Kalani has been an important anchor, both economically and socially in the Puna district as a model of sustainability, while combining tourism, cultural and natural preservation, community service and education in a district that endures poverty and its related challenges.

I suppoort Kalani's innovative team and am inspired by their ability to attract people from diverse backgrounds to successfully create meaningful projects while fostering deeper understanding both amongst the participants, and their audiences - the surrounding community and thousands of Hawai`i, national, and international visitors.

Please support Kalani's important projects on Hawai`i, the Big Island. Kalani has the experience, the resources, and the passion to drive agritourism, while incorporating a reverence for the āina and native Hawaiian culture. I very much support their educational programs and leadership in sustainable community. I am excited about the opportunities for public education and international understanding that these programs provide. Mahalo,

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