



OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

July 18, 2008

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Aloha, Mr. Kanahale:

I hope this letter finds you in good health and peaceful spirit.

As part of a continuing effort to work with the Hawaiian community, we would like to hold a Summit with activists and organizations who are pro-independence and/or have expressed opposition to the Akaka bill and federal recognition. The purpose of the Summit would be to exchange positions and hear each other's perspectives, seeking a common ground where possible. The Summit would be an opportunity for us to kūkākūkā in a more intimate surrounding and hopefully better understand the reasons for issue and positions that presently divide us.

Our overall hope would be to "connect" as Hawaiians, hear various viewpoints, and engage in respectful discussion.

I am writing to invite you to sit on the Planning Committee that would help to plan the Summit. We would like to hold the Summit soon, perhaps by late fall. Some of the things the Planning Committee would address include:

- Date, time and place for the Summit(s)
- Who should be invited to the Summit(s)
- Agenda
- Sequence of presentations
- Facilitator(s)
- Time allotment for each part of the agenda
- Discussion protocol
- Cultural protocol or ceremony
- Food
- Estimated costs
- Any other planning matters



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We hope you will say yes to serving on the Planning Committee. We value your mana'o and welcome your participation in helping to organize this discussion, which we hope will be useful for all of us who work in the Hawaiian community and care about its future.

Please RSVP to my secretary, Kira Higa, at 594-1898 **by Monday, August 4, 2008**. If you have any questions or would like to talk-story some more about this, feel free to give me a call at 594-1858. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Boyd P. Mossman".

Boyd P. Mossman (Judge Ret.)
Trustee - Maui

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August 7, 2008

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Aloha Bumpy,

I am writing you to ascertain whether you would be willing to sit as part of a planning committee to plan for a meeting of Hawaiian independence organizations and OHA representatives. I previously wrote you but received no response and wish to insure that you are made aware of this initiative to bring different organizations together to allow OHA to hear from you and to kukakuka.

Our mission at OHA is to provide as best we can for the betterment of Hawaiians and this meeting I believe could help more Hawaiians. Your input and attendance would be of great worth and I hope you respond favorably. Should you not desire to participate in the planning then I will understand and no response by August 18th will lead me to so conclude.

Mahalo for your attention to this request.

Aloha Pumehana,

Hon. Boyd P. Mossman (Ret.)
Trustee, Maui, Office of Hawaiian Affairs