

BEFORE THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
STATE OF HAWAII

In re Application of

THE TRUSTEES OF THE ESTATE  
OF BERNICE PAUHI BISHOP

to Amend the Master Plan Permit,  
File No. PL MASP 13.2.8, Issued by  
Hawaii Community Development  
Authority on September 2, 2009

MASTER PLAN PERMIT NO. PL MASP  
13.2.8

**DECLARATION OF NATHANIEL  
KINNEY**

I, Nathaniel Kinney, hereby declare based upon my own personal knowledge as follows:

1. I am the Executive Director of the Hawai'i Construction Alliance. I am authorized to make this declaration.

2. The Hawai'i Construction Alliance is comprised of the Hawai'i Regional Council of Carpenters; the Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 368; the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' Union, Local 630; International Union of Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers, Local 1; and the Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3. Together, the member unions of the Hawai'i Construction Alliance represent 15,000 working men and women in the crafts of Hawai'i's construction industry.

3. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this Declaration, except as to matters stated on information and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true.

4. This written testimony in the form of a declaration is submitted in support of Kamehameha Schools (“**KS**”) and in support of the proposed amendments to the Kaiāulu ‘o Kaka‘ako Master Plan (“**KKMP**”).

5. Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in late-2019 and early-2020 and the governmental response to the pandemic in February and March 2020, the pandemic has had profound effects on Hawai‘i’s economy. For example, as a state that relies heavily on tourism dollars, the Coronavirus pandemic has resulted in Hawai‘i having one of the highest unemployment rates in the country.

6. Supporting development in the KKMP provides an opportunity for local workers displaced from other industries by layoffs and furloughs to find jobs within the construction fields and learn new skills that will become more valuable in the future. The amendments sought by KS are aimed at providing necessary flexibility for developers in the KKMP to adapt to changing market conditions such as the shift in favor of smaller, more affordable units. This flexibility will make projects within the KKMP more attractive to prospective developers and ensure that there is a consistent pipeline of construction projects to support existing construction jobs, create new construction jobs and create jobs resulting from the development of commercial space.

7. Finally, the amendments to the KKMP sought by KS will increase the number of residential units that are available within the KKMP. An increase in the availability of these units will help ease the current housing shortage, since the

demand for housing continues to increase every year, especially within Honolulu's urban core.

I declare under the penalty of law that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, \_\_March 23, 2021\_\_\_\_\_.

  
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NATHANIEL KINNEY