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Kingdom of Hawai'i
Nou Ke Akua Ke Aupuni O Hawai'i

September 12, 2016

To: Ka Lāhui

ame,

Dolphinville c/o Douglas Webster
Kingdom of Hawai'i

Subject: Supporting Interaction with the Cetacean Family.

Aloha e Ka Lāhui ame Dolphinville,

On September 5, 2016, I wrote the King's Proclamation supporting the noble work of those supporting interaction with the Cetacean Family, more specifically Nai'a (Dolphins) and Koholā (Whales) of our beautiful ocean Kingdom we call Hawai'i.

My support is in reference to our oral record told to me by our `Ōiwi Kūpuna Kahiko, the history of the story is as rich now, as it was back when we first came to these islands we call Hawai'i. These ancestral lands as well as the ocean that feeds us are indeed the stewardship and responsibility indicative of our sacred duty to protect. Yet, our ancestors also taught us how to interact with the sea life and how did they do it... by respecting they have a right to be here as we do. Our ancestors played and taught them that they could trust us.

Tutu speaks of how our ancestors spent a considerable amount of time interacting with the Dolphins and the Whales (Aumakua) teaching and learning from them. As a result, the Nai'a learned and, throughout time, Nai'a worked in harmony with our iwi Kupuna's.

This relationship of man and the Cetacean Family grew. It is my beliefs that were it not for our ancestors teaching and playing with Nai'a, the trust would not be there today.



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In truth there are many great stories told to us throughout the years, even one that told of how Nai'a herded fish, beaching them for the needs of the people.

An environmental impact statement is being considered. This action is limited and narrow and does not include other matters that should be considered. It does not include the higher frequency information provided by Dolphin and Human interactions; or what spiritual insights and practical lessons this interaction will provide. I believe if we don't play in harmony with our Cetacean Family, communications and interaction between them and us would be lost.

Kanaka, you know you're on your path when you don't have to betray yourself. Those who are fighting for the right and opportunity to interact with Nai'a are many of the same folks that stood in Solidarity with us as we fought against the desecration on Mauna a Wakea. These individuals didn't see color or nationality, they saw the need to put things right. There is that same unity among us in supporting the Standing Rock Sioux in their opposition to the Dakota Access Pipeline.

Therefore, I encourage the Hawaiian Community to stand in solidarity with the noble efforts in interacting with the Cetacean Family. We are not separated on this issue. We are united in all issues pertaining to the Kingdom of Hawai'i.

Ua Mau ke Ea o ka 'Aina i ka Pono,



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cc: Na Kupuna Council O Hawai'i Nei ame Moku
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