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MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Monday, October 26, 2026
TIME: 9:45 A.M.
PLACE: Remote Meeting via Interactive Conference Technology

This meeting will be held virtually and may be viewed live via OHA's website at www.oha.org/livestream or listened to by phone by dialing (213) 338-8477 and entering Webinar ID: 945 7532 0928. Additionally, this meeting can be viewed live on ʻŌlelo Community Media https://olelo.org/. A physical meeting location will be open to the public for those who wish to provide oral testimony or observe the meeting in person at: Office of Hawaiian Affairs, 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817.

AGENDA

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IV. Community Concerns and Celebrations

V. Announcements

VI. Adjournment

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact Keola Fong at (808) 626-5484 or by email at keolaf@oha.org as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible have a greater likelihood of being fulfilled. Upon request, this notice is available in alternate/accessible formats.

In the event that the livestream public broadcast is interrupted and cannot be restored, the meeting may continue as audio-only through the phone number and Webinar ID provided at the beginning of this agenda. Meeting recordings will be made available on OHA's website https://www.oha.org/about/leadership/board-of-trustees/ as soon as practicable after the meeting.

Public Testimony will be called for each agenda item and must be limited to matters listed on the meeting agenda. Community Concerns and Celebrations is not limited to matters listed on the meeting agenda. Hawai‘i Revised Statutes, Chapter 92, prohibits Board members from discussing or taking action on matters not listed on the meeting agenda

The board packet will be available for the public to inspect at OHA's main office located at 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817, no later than three full business days before the meeting. The board packet will also be made available on OHA's website, https://www.oha.org/bot as soon as practicable thereafter.

§ Notice: This portion of the meeting will be closed pursuant to HRS § 92-5.

Testimony can be provided to the Board of Trustees either as: (1) written testimony or (2) live, oral testimony online, by telephone, or at the physical meeting location during the remote meeting.

(1) Persons wishing to provide written testimony on items listed on the agenda should submit testimony via email to botmeetings@oha.org or via postal mail to Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Attn: Board of Trustees Meeting Testimony, 560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Suite 200, Honolulu, HI 96817. Testimony is requested to be received at least twenty-four hours prior to the scheduled meeting to allow board members with sufficient time to review the testimony before the meeting. All written testimony will be posted on OHA's meeting website. Please omit or redact any personal information (e.g., name, email address, phone number, home address, or materials) that you do not want to be disclosed publicly online.

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To provide oral testimony online, you will need:
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