

ROYAL ORDER OF KAMEHAMEHA I HEIAU O MĀMALA HOA

Office of the All'i 'Aimoku

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Regional Director Pacific West Region National Park Service 1111 Jackson Street, Suite 700 Oakland, California 94607 Attention: Concession Program Manager

Regarding: Endorsement of Volcano Project

Aloha

Concession Program Manager,

I would like to submit this letter in support of The Volcano Project being proposed by: The Volcano Project, P.O. Box 218, Hawai'i National Park, HI 96718 through co-founders Mr. David Howard Donald and Ms. Anne Lee. My name is Pua Ishibashi, Ali'i 'Aimoku or Governing High Chief of the Royal Order of Kamehameha I, Mamala Hoa, with cultural oversight over the area that this project is being proposed. The Royal Order of Kamehameha I was established in 1865 by King Kamehameha V for the purpose of perpetuating native leadership and service. We are established on all islands and continue to support actions that are beneficial to Hawai'i's land and people.

On reviewing The Volcano Project proposal we find that the proposal benefits the Native Hawaiian people and the people of Hawaii. We believe the Volcano Project will have a much needed positive impact on the surrounding districts of Puna, Ka'u and Hilo. In our opinion, the cultural component furthers the progress of our local population and would create job training, as well as, jobs on site, and on Hawai'i Island. However, most relevant to our organization, The Volcano Project focuses on Hawaiian youth, the future of Hawai'i. In conclusion, the Royal Order of Kamehameha I, Mamala Hoa endorses this project and recommends your acceptance of The Volcano Project's proposal.

Mahalo.

Ali'i Pua Ishibashi

Ali'i 'Aimoku

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