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Testimony

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Meeting Date: May 21, 2026 @ 09:00 AM

Support: 1

Oppose: 0

I wish to comment: 0

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May 20, 2026

TO: CM Esther Kiaaina, Chair
And Members
Committee on Zoning and Planning

FROM: Mahealani Cypher, President
Ko`olau Foundation

RE: Res. 26-100 - Appointment of Lani Lapilio
To the O`ahu Historic Preservation Commission

Aloha Chair Kiaaina and Committee Members:

The Ko`olau Foundation strongly supports the appointment of Lani Maa Lapilio to serve on the O`ahu Historic Preservation Commission.

We have known Mrs. Lapilio for many years and consider her a highly-respected cultural practitioner and interpreter who has assisted with identification and protection of our treasured wahi pana – historic sites – over her decades-long career. Her sensitivity in approaching sometimes delicate cultural issues has gained her the regard of historic preservation and iwi kupuna advocates.

Her background and intellect will certainly prove an asset to this important commission, and we urge the City Council to approve this appointment.

Mahalo for your consideration of our mana`o.