

To whom it may concern,

My name is Justin Kekoa Kekiwi. I was born on Maui and raised on Moloka'i and Maui. My ancestors come from all of these islands of Hawai'i. I am in absolute favor of Ho'omana operating it's LOCAL business to it's full potential. I received the opportunity to apprentice under the mentorship of Jeana Naluai learning the practices and education on cultural principals from Lomilomi, La'au lapau, Ho'oponopono, Ohana, Laulima, and giving back to our community. Spending time with her and receiving this knowledge has been one to the best decisions I have made in my life. I was taught Ho'oponopono which is the fixing of my being and soul. It's the concept of taking all bad things and changing it to good. I learned the importance of Hawaiian Medicine, Aloha 'Aina which is connecting to the land and ocean to promote good health in us and our mother earth. Being with her ohana taught the important roles of a functional family and working together to help one another and to love everything and everyone. Words can't explain how this family has changed my life forever. I think it is very important to let them share this knowledge with others at their upcountry location. The many benefits of bringing in people to visit their family they are never ending. The people who visit this special place will be very blessed because they will have a chance to experience real Aloha and embrace cultural practices. I could go on forever on how great this place is. The bottom line is that they are awesome people doing awesome things and this would be so hewa(wrong) if the county would stop them from bringing this offering to the people.. They are farming many native plants which are used for medicines and food. They donate so much time and services to the local community. Everything they do is of Aloha and righteousness. Please give this family some slack you guys should be giving them an award for who they are and what they have to share. It breaks my heart to see what has happened to these lands and our culture. Our culture is about love, and respect for everyone and everything. We have been stripped of so many things which has crippled our culture, but we are also warriors who never back down and continue our fight for righteousness. Please consider my letter and what is pono for our people. There are so many other people doing hewa things on agricultural lands, but not this family, not this place, it's a place of refuge, a place of healing, a place where I feel safe and loved. I am Hawaiian, I am Aloha 'Aina, I am Hale Ho'oomana! E ola mau I ka Hale Ho'omana! Eo.....

Mahalo nui for your time, Justin Kekoa Kekiwi

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