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Letter of Nomination and Support for Trevor Tanaka as SHYLI youth delegate,

Aloha,

This letter is my formal recommendation for Trevor Tanaka to become a member of the Sustainable Hawai'i Youth Leadership Initiative. I have only known Trevor over this past year, and I became aware of his leadership qualities after meeting and speaking with him last winter. I became aware of the work he was doing in his community and the direction of this work could have far-reaching consequences for the youth of the state of Hawai'i.

Trevor became concerned when he could find no class or course content in "Green Classes" at his local public high school, Konawaena HS in Kona, Hawai'i. After researching, he discovered that these type of courses in sustainability, renewable energy, green jobs, etc. were available at private high schools around the state but not public schools and so he crafted a Resolution to be presented to the Board of Education and the Legislature through the State School Council Group at their yearly meeting of leaders. This has led him on a remarkable new journey.

He also has quite a long resume of community projects and service for someone his age. I nominate Trevor for membership in the Sustainable Hawai'i Youth Leadership Initiative. I think he would be an excellent addition, and I'd like to see him earn the support for fulfilling the Resolution and moving the future generation of Hawai'i in a new direction.

Sincerely,

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