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Public testimony and/or agency comments received by the Planning Department as of October 18, 2023, 1:30pm for the October 19, 2023, Kaua'i Historic Preservation Review Commission meeting regarding the following item:

H.1. **Nomination to the State Historic Register**
The Makai Golf Course at Princeville
Property Address: 4080 Lei O Papa Road
Tax Map Keys: (4) 5-4-005:022; (4) 5-4-005:049; (4) 5-4-005:054; (4) 5-4-006:003; (4) 5-4-006:005; (4) 5-4-006:006; (4) 5-4-012:001; (4) 5-4-012:006
Princeville, Hawai'i

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From:	Sam George [redacted]
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October 17, 2023

Marisa Valenciano
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Re: Petition of Albatross Alliance

Dear Ms. Valenciano:

This letter is to express our OPPOSITION to the Petition for a designation of historical significance for the Makai Golf Course in Princeville. This petition is nothing more than a repetition of advertisements for the Makai Golf Course and an unwarranted celebration of golf course designer, Robert Trent Jones, Jr. There is simply nothing historically significant about a golf course built on former ranch land that the County enthusiastically identified as perfect for Urban Development. The County General Plan, the North Shore Development Plan, and the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance all support the continued development of all of Princeville in accordance with the ordinance. No historical significance was attributed to the golf course lands prior to development. Indeed, identifying and avoiding historical sites was an important, and required step, in the planning process in 1970 leading to the creation of Princeville at Hanalei in 1972.

The petition is ludicrous. To think that the State or County would enshrine a golf course created in 1972 as an historical site mocks the history of Hawaii and the Hawaiian people. The petition represents another assault on Hawaiian culture by the latest wave of cultural invaders. Granting this designation would be the latest step in the ongoing attempts to eradicate Hawaiian culture and history. This petition celebrates the overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom, the glorification of something as trivial as golf, and the unbridled arrogance of the petitioners, whoever they might be.

I live in Princeville and my house in situated on the golf course. A few Princeville residents realize how we are viewed by the majority of Kauai citizens, i.e., rich, white, entitled and arrogant. Approving this Petition would be an appalling recognition of white supremacy and elitism that is repulsive to anyone with even the slightest bit of conscious. Princeville does not need more bad public relations with the rest of the island. Please reject the application for what it is, a blatant attempt at self-aggrandizement and self-promotion.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions. We request to submit this letter as testimony in the referenced action.

Very truly yours,

Sam George, JD
Linda A. George