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April 10, 1987 F/SWC2

Mr. Robert L. Hind. Jr. P. O. Box 1149 Kailua-Kona, HI 96745-1149

Dear Bobby,

Many thanks for your recent note describing the property advertisement I came across. I was relieved to hear that the land is outside the inner bay.

The sea turtles of Kiholo Bay have simply not received the amount of research and monitoring attention that they warrant by our agency. Money and personnel are at the root of this problem. At a minimum, we ought to be visiting Kiholo once a year to livecapture, tag, and census the turtles. Twice a year would offer a more reasonable assessment baseline. Recently, I was able to meet with an instructor at Hawaii Preparatory Academy (HPA) whom I formerly knew as a student at UH-Manoa. Interestingly enough, he is eager to develop an ongoing field project, working with an established scientist, for some of his brighter students at the junior and senior levels. He was aware of my previous work at Punaluu in Kau with students from UH-Hilo. We discussed the possibility of a similar project at a location closer to HPA. I didn't specifically mention Kiholo, but it is foremost in my mind as an ideal site. Would you be receptive to having a group of 10-15 well-supervised HPA students help me tag turtles at Kiholo once or twice a year? Each visit would be 3-4 days (2-3 nights) in duration. The times could be quite flexible, I'm sure. If this soundslike something you might be able to approve, and would like to explore it further, please let me know and I'll talk more with the HPA staff.

The enclosed report covers some of the work we have done at other turtle "hot-spots." On page 3 I mention the importance of Kiholo and the need for more research there

Best regards and Aloha.

Sincerely,

George H. Balazs Zoologist

Enclosure



ROBERT L. HIND, JR.

April 24, 1987

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Mark,

Enclosed is a check for \$2,000.00 for the Kiholo Bay Restricted Turtle Fund.

It is to be used by you at your discretion. George Balazs is to work with you and the H.P.A. students. It should be very rewarding.

The check is made out to H.P.A.

George, in his letter, is very interested in the project.

Sincerely,

Burry Veil

George, I wANT YOU TO PROYRAM THIS PROJECT WITH MARK. I DO'NT WATT TO FINANCE A BEACHPAUTY FOR THE Kids. JULANCE D WANKS, BOBBY

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May 1, 1987 P/SMC2

Hr. Robert L. Hind, Jr. P. O. Box 1149 Kailua-Kona, HI 96745-1149

Dear Mr. Hind:

I am writing to thank you for the generous donation of \$2,000 that you recently made to the Hawail Preparatory Academy (HPA) to study and conserve sea turtles at Kiholo Bay as part of a cooperative effort with the Marine Mammals and Endangered Species Program of the National Marine Fisheries Service. Your gift will make it possible for HPA students to work under actual field research conditions with our staff biologist and sea turtle specialist, George H. Balazs. In addition to collecting valuable date on this important turtle aggregation, HPA students should benefit substantially from the educational aspects of the project.

Again, we are most appreciative of your contribution. My staff will periodically keep you informed as to the planning and results of our cooperative work during the coming months.

Sincercly,

Richard S. Snomura Director, Honolulu Laboratory

CCI Dr. A. Ronald Tooman, Headmaster, HPA Mr. Mark Rice, HPA Science Instructor Mr. David Gulko, HPA Science Instructor F/SMC - Izadore Barrett

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April 30, 1987 F/SWC2

Mr. Robert L. Hind, Jr. P. O. Box 1149 Kailua-Kona, HI 96745-1149

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Richard S. Shomura Director, Honolulu Laboratory

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cc: Dr. A. Ronald Tooman, Headmaster, HPA Mr. Mark Rice, HPA Science Instructor Mr. David Gulko, HPA Science Instructor



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Friday January 8, 1988

Robert L. Hind Jr.

'Bobby' Hind, Kona rancher, legislator, dies

KEALAKEKUA, Hawaii — Robert "Bobby" L. Hind Jr., 66, of Kailua-Kona, a retired cattle rancher, died Wednesday in Kona Hospital.

Mr. Hind managed the Puuwaawaa Ranch, where he was raised, and the McCandless Ranch He was founder and owner of the Daleico Ranch. He also founded Mauna Loa Broadcasting, now KKON radio.

From 1948 to 1956 he was a representative in the territorial Legislature. He also served as a regent of the University of Hawaii and as a trustee of the University of Hawaii Foundation. He was active in numerous community and service organizations.

Mr. Hind was educated at Punahou School, Menlo College and Stanford University.

A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. tomorrow at the Christ Church (Episcopal).

Mr. Hind was born in Honolulu. He is survived by his wife, Florence; three sons, Robert III, Michael and Francis; a daughter, Mrs. Billy (Jennifer) Mitchell; and nine grandchildren.