

Re: A Resolution Encouraging to End 128 Years of War Between the United States of America and the Hawaiian Kingdom

Psalm 19:14 May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

My manao. I believe this resolution was rushed and the delegates were not given an opportunity to bring it back to their churches for review and discussion, and whether the churches were for or against the resolution. Being this important to the Resolution committee, was a copy of the resolution sent to each church before the delegates voted at the AHEC 'Aha?

Ephesians 4:31-32 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just in Christ God forgave you.

Hebrews 4:16 Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

The members of Lili'uokalani Protestant Church Council requests that a disclaimer be made to exclude Lili'uokalani Protestant Church from representation of this resolution at the General Synod. However, we are also in support and agreement with the recommendations that Lorna Motas from Kaumakapili Church wrote in her e-mail request.

The word **War** in the title is troublesome. Our beloved Queen Lili'uokalani did not want her people to go to war. The Hawaiian monarchy also wronged their people by allowing foreigners to influence their ruling of the kingdom. How can a sovereign nation be formed? It is not like the ancient days where you could kill to conquer all the islands in war and bloodshed or push your enemy over the Pali. There too many people today wanting to be chief.

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Is this resolution to put an end to our Christian beliefs and values that we have learned from these foreign missionaries who landed in our islands long ago? There is no grace, mercy, and peace. No forgiveness. No healing.

Galatians 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

What does the AHEC benefit from this resolution? Does it make everything pono?

Ua Mau Ke Ea O Ka Aina I Ka Pono (The life of the land is perpetuated in righteousness).

“The life of the land is perpetuated in righteousness in Jesus Christ” was part of the original motto, but “in Jesus Christ” was later deleted. It was explained as “to do what is right in your life and for the land.”

Praying that Ke Akua will provide each of us with wisdom, knowledge, and guidance to what is pono! We continue to keep our faith and belief in our Triune, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit!!

Blessings in the works of Ke Akua,

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