

July 9, 2021

TO: David Anderson and Kevin Peterson,  
General Synod staff to the resolution and committee process

AHEC Resolution Committee % Pualani Muraki

Reverend David Popham, Hawaii Conference, United Church of Christ

FROM: Brandon K. Bunag, Luna Hoomalu (Moderator) Kawaiaha'o Church

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

Aloha,

On behalf of the members of Kawaiaha'o Church, we wish to inform you that Kawaiaha'o Church is *neither* in favor of or against "A Resolution to End 128 Years of War Between the United States of America and the Hawaiian Kingdom," which has been submitted to the General Synod for consideration. Kawaiaha'o Church remains compassionate and committed to redress the injustices that face the Native Hawaiian community and all communities in Hawai'i in a manner that reflects our Christian beliefs and values.

Unfortunately, the leadership of Kawaiaha'o was not provided sufficient time to inform our congregation of the contents of the resolution and to solicit "proper and prayerful consideration" from them. This consideration from our congregational members is necessary in order for us to faithfully represent the voices of our congregational members.

Our concern with this resolution is a matter of process and not content. In anticipation of the resolution being adopted by the General Synod, Kawaiaha'o Church will engage with its members on the subject in order to make a decision on our position. It can further be expected that Kawaiaha'o Church, through its leadership, will maintain contact and open dialogue with AHEC as it proceeds to take action steps in relation to the resolution.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me via email or phone 808.330.8178.

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