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This all takes time, energy, and of course resources, and to that end we find ourselves in a bind. As many of our members may feel the crunch too, we are aware that some may not feel comfortable donating to our historic organization now. However we are *perilously* close to dipping into and whittling down our rather modest endowment. That could be catastrophic and if not reversed quickly could lead to the end of this important voice for the people and the land here in Hawaii in a matter of a few short years. Please, if you can, consider donating even a small amount to help us weather these times. Any amount helps. We have prided ourselves on being an inclusive organization that doesn't have high fees to join and be a part of our movement. However that means we have to now reach out and ask those who think they could spare even a few dollars, to **chip in** and help us continue the good fight.

Mahalo!
Winston Welch on behalf of all TOC Board and Staff

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