

**Application to Register with the Department of Interior  
as a Homestead or Beneficiary Association**

**Background** – In 2016, the federal government included definitions for Homestead Associations (beneficiaries in a homestead community) and HHCA Beneficiary Association (beneficiaries awaiting a homestead award), in the Code of Federal Regulations under 43 CFR 47 & 48 applicable to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act.

**Definition of Homestead Association** – means a beneficiary-controlled organization that represents and serves the interests of its homestead community; has as a stated primary purpose the representation of, and provision of services to its homestead community; and filed with the Secretary (of DOI) a statement signed by the governing body, of governing procedures and a description of the territory it represents.

**Definition of HHCA Beneficiary Association** – means an organization controlled by beneficiaries who submitted applications to the DHHL for homesteads are awaiting the assignment of a homestead; represents and serves the interests of those beneficiaries; has as a stated primary purpose the representation of, and provision of services to, those beneficiaries; and filed with the Secretary (of DOI) a statement signed by the governing body, of governing procedures and a description of the beneficiaries it represents.

Homestead Associations and Waitlist Associations may apply to register with the Department of Interior (DOI). This form is not required to be used, however, assists Associations to submit the necessary documentation and data for the DOI to consider approval of requests to register as an HHCA Association.

**I. Type of Application**

Check only one box

- Register as a **Homestead Association** (representing & serving interests of a homestead community)

Describe the Territory or Geographic Area of Association: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Register as an **HHCA Beneficiary Association** (representing & serving interests of waitlist)

Describe Beneficiaries Served (type, location): \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Register as **Both – Homestead Association & HHCA Beneficiary Association**

Describe Territory or Geographic Area & Beneficiaries Served Awaiting an Award (type, location):  
STATE OF HAWAII - ATTACHED

**II. About Association**

Name of Association: SOVEREIGN COUNCIL OF HAWAIIAN HOMESTEAD ASSOCIATION Year Founded: 1987  
Association Address: PO BOX 646, ANAHOLA, HI 96703  
Phone: (808)652-0140 Email: INFO@HAWAIIANHOMESTEADS.ORG Website: WWW.HAWAIIANHOMESTEADS.ORG  
Name of Chairman or President: ROBIN PUANANI DANNER # of Governing Board Members: 5  
Service Area By Island: STATEWIDE Service Area by Homestead Area: STATEWIDE

**III. About Governance & Mission of Association**

Is this Association Beneficiary-Controlled?  Y  N

Check all that apply

- The Enrolled Voting Members of the Association are HHCA Beneficiaries and/or HHCA Successors  
 The Enrolled Voting Members of the Association Elect the Governing Board  
 Individuals that are Not HHCA Beneficiaries or HHCA Successors May be Non-Voting Members  
 Other (Describe): \_\_\_\_\_

State the Mission of the Homestead or Beneficiary Association: ATTACHED

Does this mission "represent and serve the interests of its homestead community or HHCA beneficiaries"?  Y  N

List Ways that the Association Represents and Serves the Interests of its Homestead Community or HHCA Beneficiaries

Check all that apply

- Association Meets Regularly and is Open to All Members
- Association Conducts Business Meetings on the Needs of Homestead Community & Beneficiaries
- Association Operates Programs or Services within the Homestead Community or for Beneficiaries
- Other (Describe): \_\_\_\_\_
- Other (Describe): \_\_\_\_\_

**IV. Governing Documents**

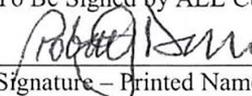
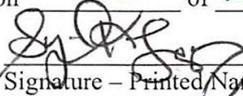
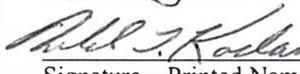
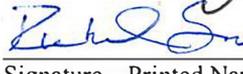
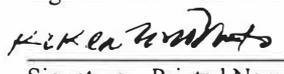
Attach a Copy of Governing Documents (articles, bylaws, constitution, or other governing documents).

**V. Certification**

**For Homestead Associations.** We, the Governing Board of the Association Applying for Registration with the Department of Interior, hereby certify we are the governing body for the Association listed, and further certify that the Association is controlled by HHCA beneficiaries; represents and serves the interests of its homestead community; and has as a stated primary purpose the representation and provision of services to, its homestead community.

**For HHCA Beneficiary Associations.** We, the Governing Board of the Association applying for registration with the Department of Interior, hereby certify we are the governing body for the Association listed, and further certify that the Association is controlled by HHCA beneficiaries that submitted a land award application to DHHL for a homestead and are awaiting assignment; represents and serves the interests of those beneficiaries; and has as a stated primary purpose the representation and provision of services to those beneficiaries.

To Be Signed by ALL Current Governing Board of Directors on FEB of 21, 2020

 Signature – Printed Name & Title	ROBIN PUANANI DANNER CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD (KAUAI)	 Signature – Printed Name & Title	SYBIL LOPEZ VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD (MOLOKAI)
 Signature – Printed Name & Title	RON KODANI COUNCILMAN (HAWAII ISLAND)	 Signature – Printed Name & Title	RICHARD SOO COUNCILMAN (OAHU)
 Signature – Printed Name & Title	KEKOA ENOMOTO COUNCILMAN (MAUI)	_____ Signature – Printed Name & Title	_____ Signature – Printed Name & Title
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Completed applications and attachments should be mailed to U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Native Hawaiian Relations, 1849 C Street NW. MS 3561, Washington DC 20240.

