Free Hawai'i

“We protest against the movement in favor of doing away with the independence of our country; we protest against the effort to force annexation to the United States without consulting the people...”

-President Cleveland from the Hui Aloha on the American overthrow of Hawaiian Government, 1893

“Our country has been and is being plasticized, cheapened, and exploited. They're selling it in plastic leis, coconut ashtrays and cans of “genuine, original Aloha.” They've raped us, sold us, killed us, and still they expect us to behave...Hawai'i is a colony of the imperialist United States.”

-Kehau Lee evictions of Hawaiian from Native Islands, 1970

“I do not feel...we should forfeit the traditional rights and privileges of the natives of our islands for a mere thimbleful of votes in Congress; that we, the lovers of Hawai'i from long association with it should sacrifice our birthright for the greed of alien desires to remain on our shores...”

-Kamokila Campbell before Congress on statehood for Hawai'i, 1946

“The time has come to create a mechanism for self government for the Hawaiian people. The question of Hawaiian sovereignty and self determination needs to be dealt with now.”

-Mililani Trask before Congress on Hawaiian sovereignty, 1990
PROTECT MAUNA KEA

Maintaining a Kapu Aloha for Mauna Kea
We are standing for the preservation of The 13,800-foot Mauna Kea to protect its Pristine slopes from the uncertain effects of an 18-story astronomical telescope built on top of a watershed and a conservation site. We hold Mauna Kea as a sacred and ancestral site, we are also voicing concern over the watershed and fragile habitat on this island eco-system.

WHY SACRED PLACES MATTER

Sacred lands are more than esoteric, spiritual sanctuaries. These places protect biodiversity. When we stand for Mauna a Wa‘kea we are standing for all Sacred places, those places that still call our name, Teach us and show us how to be better human beings.

BLOCK TMT CONSTRUCTION
Hawaiians blocked the TMT’s construction crews and Equipment in order to support two important statutory rights:
1. The right to appeal to the highest court in Hawai‘i flawed Conservation district permit and lease that injure the rights of Native Hawaiians and other Hawai‘i citizens and two deeply flawed Lower court decisions.
2. The right to protect our sacred mountain from desecration, a Crime under state law whose maximum penalty is fines or jail time For each offence.

Suggestions to find out more:
http://www.protectmaunakea.org/
http://kahea.org/issues/sacred-summits
http://oiwi.tv/maunakea/

HE KAPU ALOHA

A Kapu Aloha is a multidimensional concept and practice inspired by our kupuna. It has been used within a Hawaiian cultural context for many years, but this may be the first time it has been brought out into a public sphere. It places a discipline of compassion on all to express aloha for those involved, especially those who are perceived to be polar to our cause.

A Kapu Aloha helps us intentionalize our thoughts, words and deeds without harm to others. It honors the energy and life found in aloha – compassion – and helps us focus on its ultimate purpose and meaning. It is a synonym for ahimsa, non-violence, and peaceful consciousness. It helps us re-center Aloha Aina once again so we can see, really see, the beauty that nourishes, inspires and teaches us how to best be in the world. Let us rise to this practice of compassion and reverence!

Ku kia‘i mauna!

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Oni pa‘a i ke kapu Aloha
Oni pa‘a ku kia‘i Mauna