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MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEFICIARY ADVOCACY AND EMPOWERMENT

DATE: Wednesday, October 30, 2024
TIME: 1:30 p.m.
PLACE: Remote Meeting by Interactive Conference Technology and in-person at OHA Mauli Ola Boardroom
560 N. Nimitz Hwy., Honolulu, HI 96817
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AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

A. October 25, 2022*
B. December 12, 2022*
C. January 25, 2023*
D. February 1, 2023*
E. February 8, 2023*
F. February 22, 2023*
G. March 1, 2023*
H. March 8, 2023*
I. March 15, 2023*
J. March 22, 2023*
K. March 29, 2023*
L. April 5, 2023*
M. April 26, 2023*
N. May 3, 2023*
O. November 8, 2023*
P. December 6, 2023*
Q. January 31, 2024*
R. February 7, 2024*

S. February 21, 2024*
T. February 28, 2024*
U. March 20, 2024*
V. March 27, 2024*
W. April 17, 2024*
X. May 1, 2024*
Y. June 26, 2024*

III. New Business

A. **Presentation:** Ea Hānau on Proposed 2025 Bill for Increased Access and Protection of Traditional and Customary Birth Practices*

B. **Action Item BAE #24-04:** To provide OHA support for a 2025 Bill for Increased Access and Protection of Traditional and Customary Birth Practices as Proposed by Ea Hānau*

C. **Action Item BAE #24-05:** Approval of the 2025 OHA Legislative Bill Package*

IV. Executive Session

A. Approval of Executive Session Minutes
1. October 13, 2021
2. February 1, 2022
3. February 8, 2022
4. February 15, 2022
5. March 22, 2022
6. March 29, 2022
7. April 12, 2022
8. December 12, 2022
9. March 1, 2023

V. Announcements

VI. Adjournment

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10/24/2024

Date