To: University of Hawai‘i Board of Regents

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Re: Testimony in opposition of the Thirty Meter Telescope

(Transcribed verbal testimony) I believe Mauna Kea has 12 telescopes, most of those are not even in service right now so why not renovate one of the ones you are not using and use the money for that rather than digging up more land and causing more problems.

I think us Hawaiians would agree to just renovate one of the ones that are not working. To go and make a whole brand new one is ridiculous.

Education is important, it’s what you have to understand, there are laws you have to follow. Lots of times we jump before we think so we need to make sure we’re going in the right direction.

I want to show my keiki that these are your people. No matter where we come from, all different parts of the island, the state, we all can come together for one cause. I truly believe that we should come together for all the causes.

Mahalo.