My name is Sara Binney. I have been blessed to have been born and raised on The Big Island but even greater than that I AM HAWAIIAN . . I AM MAUNA KEA! Culturally I STRONGLY oppose the building of TMT on our sacred mountain. For generations Mauna Kea has served as a sacred religious site for not only our Hawaiian people but for many who are able to spiritually connect to her from around the world. I find it absolutely baffling that so many with certificates and degrees in so many different fields can seriously argue that something of this capacity is NOT going to have a negative impact on our mountain and our island. So many reports have been written and published from The University of Hawaii stating the absolute frailness of the the ecosystem on Mauna Kea such as the many species located only on that mountain that are near extinction, and yet we are expected to believe that if you take a boulder and place it on a mound of sand no negative impact? TMT has published that Mauna Kea is it's preferred site . . . shouldn't we discuss the alternates? I'm sure you all know that this is one of three mammoth telescopes that has been vied in a scientific race for the biggest and best http://m.nautil.us/ at OUR expense? An expense that will never be advise to be repaid? Please I humble in the spirit of kapu aloha ask you to do what is right legally, spiritually, consciously . . . stand for our people, stand for our home . . . STAND FOR MAUNA KEA . . . no TMT on Mauna Kea! I pray for each an every one of you.

Mahalo!
Sara