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To whom it may concern;

I am Kaumatua and Kaitiaki of the Kerikeri river. (Te Awa o Nga Rangitira) I am also Kaitiaki of the Te Puna Mataitai.

I am a direct descendant of the earliest liason between Maori and Pakeha in the Bay of Islands. My tupuna Hauangiangi lived on Taranaki Island. He joined forces with Kaitara and drove the Ngati Pou out of the river killing their chief Whero in the conflict.

My great great grandmother Matira Erimana is buried on Aroha Island (recorded in Historic Places Trust in Kerikeri)

The Kerikeri river has been the food basket for Taiamai Ki Te Marangai for centuries. Hapu came down to Horaroa from inland, Okaihau, Puketona, Kaeo, Kaikohu and more, to gather kaimoana dry them and take them back. Hence the vast middens which were dug out and burned for lime on the farmlands. This was done by Allen Mills in the 1950's.

Because of this Rangitane is the only place left with access to the pipi beds & Tio.

I have seen and discussed the concept drawings supplied by Far North Holdings for a new Boat ramp and Jetty at Rangitane.

I support the building of these Facilities.



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