

Poroporoāki and tribute to submitter Theo Bunker, Mike Beresford, and Dr Terry Ryan

He poroporoāki, he maimai aroha ki a rātou ngā Kākākura o te kaupapa nei kua mene atu ki te pō.

Ka hoki ngā mahara ki a Theo Bunker te kaupupuri hea, te kaitono, i takahia te ara whakamua mō tōna hapū, mō tōna iwi, me ōna uri whakaheke. E te Manutaki, e moe.

E whakatika atu ana ngā whakaaro ki a Mike Beresford, nānā anō ngā kākano o tēnei kaupapa whānui i whakatō, kia puāwai. E te Manutāiko, haere atu rā.

E tika ana kia tangi te ngākau ki a Tākuta Terry Ryan, me ōna mahi nui kia whai wāhi ai ngā whakapapa o Ngai Tahu ki ēnei whakahaerenga. E te Manukura, moe mai rā.

E ngā Manu nui kua ranga i te tira nei, kua tuituia te kaupapa, kua here te kaupapa – moe mai, moe mai, okioki mai rā.

Ka mutu, ki ngā mate huhua ki waenga i a tātou, rātou ngā kairīwhi o te whenua kua ngaro ki te pō, haere, haere, haere atu rā koutou.

Interpretation: I express my heartfelt farewells to the leaders of this initiative who have passed on to the night.

I turn my remembrance to Theo Bunker, a successor of this whenua and submitter for this kaupapa, who has forged a way forward for their people and descendants. To this esteemed leader, rest in love.

I also turn my thoughts to Mike Beresford, who planted the seeds of this wider initiative, to bloom. To this leader, go to your loved ones.

It is also right to acknowledge the passing of Dr Terry Ryan, who worked extensively to ensure that Ngai Tahu whakapapa has its place in these proceedings. To this notable leader, may you rest easy.

To those leaders who have woven together this group of people, let the kaupapa be bound, let the kaupapa be confirmed. Rest now in peace.

Finally, to the numerous deceased amongst us, the inheritors of the land that has disappeared into the night, go in peace.

- Ko Monique King ahau nō Te Arawhiti.

Tribute from Monique King

– Queenstown hearing on Inclusionary Housing variation, 28 Feb 2024

- Before we commence with legal submissions, the submitters here today felt it important to pay tribute to three individuals who have passed in recent years who have raised the interests of the Hāwea/Wānaka SILNA successors, including submitter Theo Bunker who passed in January 2024.
- I have also paid tribute to Mike Beresford another SILNA successor who first submitted on the proposed District Plan in relation to his development aspirations for this land some eight years ago.
- Mike Beresford passed in 2021 but otherwise, I'm sure would be with us here today.
- I also paid tribute to Dr Terry Ryan who was a whakapapa expert and whose evidence is before the Panel.
- Thank you for your time to acknowledge them and their efforts.
- I also acknowledged the numerous successors who have passed since 1895 when the Hāwea/Wānaka SILNA land was committed.