GM756

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, PAUL KYNO, for a term to expire 6-30-2015.

Senator Dela Cruz c/o Dot Fujinaga

Below in red and caps are the responses to your questionnaire. If you need any clarification and follow up to these answers please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.

(1) Why do you wish to be a member of the HHFDC? I FEEL STRONGLY THAT I CAN BE A BENEFIT TO THE CITIZENS OF HAWAII WHO

ARE IN NEED OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING. OVER THE LAST 25 YEARS I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH ALL FACITS OF HOUSING

DEVELOPMENT INCLUDING AFFORDABLE AND SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING WITHIN THE STATE AND HAVE LEARNED A LOT IN

PUTTING ALL THE PIECES TOGETHER TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN MAKING THIS HAPPEN. I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO SHARE WHAT I

HAVE LEARNED AND HOW TO AVOID THE PITFALLS, SO THAT MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING GETS TO THE PEOPLE THAT NEED IT.

- (2) How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of a member of the HHFDC? AS I CURRENTLY UNDERSTAND THE WORKING OF HHFDC I SEE THAT MY DUTIES AS A MEMBER OF THIS BOARD WILL BE AS A CONDUIT TO GET THE PROPER TYPES OF AVAILABLE FUNDING TO THE DEVELOPERS WHO ARE ON THE FRONT LINE TRYING TO CREATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN AN EXPEDITIOUS MANNER. TO MAKE SURE THAT THE FUNDS PROVIDED TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPERS ARE NOT WASTED AND USED TO THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT TO CREATE THE MOST POSSIBLE HOUSING AFFORDABLY THAT IS CONSISTANT WITHIN THE DIFFERENT ISLAND COMMUNITIES WHERE THE HOUSING IS BEING DEVELOPED.
- (3) Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities of a member of the HHFDC, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? I HAVE DEVELOPED AFFORDABLE AND SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING IN HAWAII, I KNOW THE DIFFICULTIES THAT I HAD IN DOING SO, AND FEEL THAT I CAN ASSIST OTHERS AROUND SOME OF THOSE DIFFICULTIES. Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise, or knowledge that would aid in your decision-making ability as a member of the HHFDC. I WORKED AT THE KAUAI COUNTY HOUSING AGENCY ASSISTING OTHER DEVELOPERS IN THEIR EFFORTS TO BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING, I ALSO PERSONALLY DREW UP A COMPREHENSIVE HOUSING INITIATIVE FOR THE KAUAI COUNTY HOUSING AGENCY WHICH WAS THE BASIS FOR THE FORMATION OF KAUAI HOUSING DEVELOPMENT COMPANY (KHDC), A LOCAL NON PROFIT WHO'S MISSION WAS TO DEVELOP AND BUILD AFFORDABLE AND SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING, MAYOR YUKIMURA ASKED ME TO IMPLIMENT THE INITIATIVE FOR KAUAL I THEN FORMED KHDC BECOMING ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AT KHDC I HANDPICKED A GREAT BOARD OF DIRECTORS FROM AROUND THE STATE WHOSE KNOWLEDGE IN DIFFERENT AREAS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING, IE: FINANCING, ALTERNATIVE DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES. THROUGH THIS I CREATED A PERMITTING FAST TRACK SYSTEM, MUTUAL HOUSING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, WAS ABLE TO DO A TAX EXEMPT REVENUE BOND FLOAT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND MANY OTHER TECHNIQUES THAT I FEEL MY KNOWLWDGE OF WILL POSSIBLY BE A BENEFIT TO OTHERS.

- (4) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service? TO BE ABLE TO ASSIST IN THE CREATION OF MANY AFFORDABLE AND SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING UNITS AS NEEDED IN THE STATE!! (I THINK BIG!!)
- (5) Name three qualities that best describe you and that would make you stand out. How would these qualities benefit the HHFDC? I AM A MOTIVATOR, TENACIOUS (IN A GENTLE WAY) AND LIKE TO SEE THINGS THROUGH TO FRUITION (PATIENCE). I BELIEVE THAT HAVING THESE THREE QUALITIES OR ATRIBUTES IS NEEDED WHEN TRYING TO WADE THROUGH ALL THE ASPECTS AND RED TAPE OF CREATING AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
- (6) Name one previous experience that would make you stand out. How would this benefit the HHFDC? PREVIOUSLY, I REPRESENTED THE STATE OF HAWAII ON THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE AT THE FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK OF SEATTLE FOR A TWO YEAR TERM OF SERVICE. IN DOING SO, I MET OTHERS FROM ALL THE WESTERN STATES (9TH DISTRICT) WHO WERE ALSO TRYING TO CREATE AFFORDABLE AND SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING FOR THEIR STATES. FROM THAT EXPERIENCE CAME A WEALTH OF KNOWLEDGE AND CREATIVITY IN ALL FIELDS OF HOUSING THAT I THINK WILL BE VERY BENEFICIAL TO HHFDC. MY JOB ON THAT COMMITTEE (ALONG WITH MY OTHER COLLEGUES) WAS TO ANALYSE AFFORDABLE PROJECTS FROM THROUGHOUT THE 9TH DISTRICT OF THE USA, AND COME UP WITH CREATIVE FINANCING METHODS TO MAKE THE PROJECTS BECOME A REALITY. AS I UNDERSTAND THE WORKINGS OF HHFDC I BELIEVE THE CONCEPT WILL BE VERY SIMILAR IN NATURE.
- (7) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interests that could arise during your service on the HHFDC? I AM SURE THERE WILL BE THE POSSIBILITY THAT I MAY RUN INTO DEVELOPERS WITH WHOM I HAVE HAD AN ASSOCIATION WITH IN THE PAST, AS THE HAWAII DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY IS SMALL. I WOULD NOT LET THAT INFLUENCE MY DECISIONS ON THE BOARDS POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE OF THOSE PROJECTS. How would you overcome any possible conflicts of Interest? IF THIS WOULD ARISE DURING MY TERM ON THE BOARD I WOULD STATE THE FACT TO MY OTHER BOARD MEMBERS AND RECUSE MYSELF FROM PARTICIPATING IN ANY VOTING DECISIONS WHERE THERE MIGHT BE AN ASSUMTION OF ANY POSSIBILITY OF A CONFLICT.

Paul Kyno



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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Statement of

David Lawrence

Chair, Board of Directors of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation Before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND AND HOUSING

April 14, 2011 at 1:20 p.m. Room 225, State Capitol

In consideration of

G.M. 756

GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE PAUL KYNO TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

The Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation Board of Directors <u>strongly</u> <u>supports</u> the nomination of Paul Kyno as the Kauai representative to the HHFDC Board.

Mr. Kyno has extensive real estate experience, and understands the local real estate market and issues that affect affordable housing financing and development. He founded the Kauai Housing Development Corporation, a local nonprofit organization specializing in affordable housing development, and was instrumental in the development of affordable and special needs housing.

Mr. Kyno is a member of the Kauai Board of Realtors, the Kauai Disaster Fund, and has previously served as the State of Hawaii's representative on the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle's Affordable Housing Advisory Council. He is well qualified to serve on the HHFDC Board.

The HHFDC Board of Directors respectfully requests that the Committee support Mr. Kyno's nomination. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



The Senate

STATE CAPITOL HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

April 12, 2011

The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz Chair, Senate Committee on Water, Land, & Housing 415 S. Beretania St., Rm. 202 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Gubernatorial Nominee: PAUL KYNO

Board of Directors - Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation

I am informed that Paul Kyno has been nominated by Governor Neil Abercrombie for a position on the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) Board of Directors for a term to expire on June 30, 2014. I am in strong support of Mr. Kyno's nomination and am sure he will do an exemplary job as a member of the HHFDC board of directors if confirmed by your committee.

I have known Mr. Kyno for over twenty years through his work with county and non-profit housing and I have found him to be a man with the rare combination of integrity, honesty, and loyalty.

It is my firm belief that if confirmed, Mr. Kyno will become a valuable asset to the HHFDC.

Thank you for your time and consideration and if there are any questions with regard to the foregoing, please do not hesitate to communicate with me.

Sincerely,

RONALD D. KOUCH Senator, 7th District

cc: Paul Kyno



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF HAWAII STATE CAPITOL HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

April 12, 2011

The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz Chair of the Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing Hawaii State Capitol, Room 202 Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: GM 756, RELATING TO GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE PAUL KYNO

TO THE HONORABLE DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The purpose of this letter is to offer my strong support of Gubernatorial Nominee Paul Kyno to sit on the board of Hawaii Housing and Development Corporation for a four year term.

As you are well aware, those we ask to serve on our community and state boards have a thankless responsibility. They must hold high standards of integrity, be impartial and remain open-minded. Paul embodies these attributes and over the fourteen years that I have known him, he has always been very active in the business community as well as a supporter of many non-profits and charitable organizations.

His experience working with the Kauai County Housing Agency, under former Mayor Joann Yukimura, and responsibilities as Executive Director and Founder of Kauai Housing Development Company will only add to the knowledge he can bring to the table as a sitting member. His real estate background would also be a great addition and extremely helpful in future planning and development meetings.

Paul, is a man of honor and credibility and I highly recommend him for the Board of Hawaii Housing and Development Corporation. Thank you for your consideration of his nomination.

Sincerely,

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tate Representative, District 15

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF HAWAII STATE CAPITOL HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

April 6, 2011

The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair and Members Senate Water, Land, and Housing Committee State of Hawaii State Capitol 415 S. Beretania St., Rm. 202 Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: GM756

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Members,

I fully support the confirmation of Paul Kyno to serve as the Kaua'i Island Representative on the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation.

I am honored to support Mr. Kyno's nomination for this position, as he is extremely qualified. During Mayor Joann Yukimura's administration, Mr. Kyno, a Certified Ecobroker for Sotheby's International, spent time working on the Kaua'i County Housing Agency. His past experiences also include founding and being the Executive Director of the Kaua'i Housing Development Company, which benefited both the Island of Kauai, and the State of Hawai'i. His accomplishments also include representing the State of Hawai'i for two years on the Affordable Housing Advisory Council of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle, Ninth District, United States.

For all of these reasons, I believe that Mr. Kyno would do an excellent job serving on the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation. His voice would be an invaluable asset in assisting the people of this State finding and keeping affordable housing.

Sincerely You

Derek S. K. Kawakami

State Representative

cc: Mr. Paul Kyno



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TESTIMONY OF KAUA'I MAYOR BERNARD P. CARVALHO, JR.

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2011

April 14, 2011 1:20 p.m.

TESTIMONY ON GM 756, RELATING TO GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE PAUL KYNO

TO THE HONORABLE DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr., Mayor, providing testimony in support of Gubernatorial Nominee Paul Kyno to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation.

Mr. Kyno is being nominated to serve on the Board for a term ending June 30, 2015. He is a well-known member of the business community on Kaua'i, and will be an asset on the Board with a mission to establish and develop viable community-based housing projects for the State.

His past experience in working with the County Housing Agency, as the Executive Director and Founder of the Kaua'i Housing Development Company and involvement in real estate provides him with an understanding of the housing needs in our State. Mr. Kyno has also represented the State on the Affordable Housing Advisory Council of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle in the Ninth District of the United States for two years which provided him a better understanding of the housing crisis.

Given his extensive experience in the housing field Mr. Kyno will serve as a catalyst for affordable housing in the State of Hawai'i during this tough economic period and hopefully contribute creative methods on how we can fulfill that gap.

I humbly request that you confirm his nomination, and thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on this matter.

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TESTIMONY OF JOANN A. YUKIMURA KAUA'I COUNTY COUNCILMEMBER

ON
GM 756, CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION OF
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, PAUL KYNO,
TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HAWAIT HOUSING
FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing
April 14, 2011
1:20 p.m.
Conference Room 225

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing:

I submit this testimony as an individual member of the Kaua'i County Council. I am happy to support Governor Abercrombie's nomination of PAUL KYNO to the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation.

Mr. Kyno was hired into the County Housing Agency when I was mayor of Kaua'i County from 1988 to 1994. I did not personally know Paul when he was hired, but I came to know him quickly thereafter by his energetic and innovative work in the Housing Agency.

Mr. Kyno is an entrepreneur, and he brought that spirit to the County when he came to work under my administration. One of his lasting contributions was the formation of a nonprofit housing development corporation, the Kaua'i Housing and Development Corporation (KHDC). Paul was quick to see the need for such an entity and was instrumental in getting it organized. The county incubated the organization, but it quickly became independent. Over the last 17 years it has been an invaluable partner to the County and has helped to develop many important affordable housing projects on our island.

In both the public and private sectors, Paul Kyno has shown himself to be a thoughtful and creative developer. He has been able to overcome many complexities and barriers and bring several affordable housing projects to completion. His projects are well designed and built. One of his projects is a small elderly housing complex in Kalāheo in which seniors delight to live because it is so well designed.

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Paul's experience on the Affordable Housing Advisory Council of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle for the Ninth District of the United States also makes him highly qualified to sit on HHFDC's Board.

With his background and experience, Paul Kyno will be a great asset to the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation as it works to make affordable housing available to all who need it.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony.

Sincerely,

løAnn A. Yukimura

Kaua'i County Councilmember

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April 12, 2011

Sen. Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair, and
Committee on Water, Land and Housing
State Senate
The Twenty-Sixth Legislature, Regular Session of 2011
State of Hawaii

SUBJECT: TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM756, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, PAUL KYNO, TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HAWAI'I HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Hearing: WLH, April 14, 2011 1:20 PM Conference Room 225

The Kaua'i County Housing Agency supports the nomination of Paul Kyno for appointment to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation for a term to expire June 30, 2015. Mr. Kyno served as the Project Coordinator for the Kaua'i County Housing Agency from 1991 to 1993 under Mayor JoAnn Yukimura. Mr. Kyno was instrumental in founding the Kaua'i Housing Development Corporation, a non-profit corporation responsible for the development of 187 affordable housing units on Kaua'i, and its Executive Director from 1993 to 1994. Mr. Kyno also represented the State of Hawai'i for two years on the Affordable Housing Advisory Council of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle for the Ninth District of the United States.

We look forward to working with Mr. Kyno and the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation in the development of more affordable housing on the island of Kaua'i over the next four years. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on his behalf.

Sincerely,

Eugene K. Jimenez

Housing Director

Gary Heu, Managing Director

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April 13, 2011

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Testimony

Hawaii State Senate – Committee on Water, Land and Housing
Thursday April 13, 2011, 1:20 p.m., Conference Room 225

Honorable Senator and Chair, Donovan Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Malama Solomon and Members:

RE: GM 756 Gubernatorial Nominee Paul Kyno – Hawaii Housing Finance & Development Corporation

This letter is in <u>SUPPORT OF MR. PAUL KYNO to the HHFDC</u>. He is a member in good standing of the Kauai Chamber of Commerce. Most importantly, his career has spanned public, private and community service. He has an excellent track record, broad experience and, understanding, that will contribute to the goals of the organization for the good of its beneficiaries.

 Mahalo for your consideration. Should you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 346-4538.

. Aloha.

Randall Francisco

Kauai Chamber of Commerce

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TESTIMONY OF TIM BYNUM KAUA'I COUNTY COUNCILMEMBER

GM 756, CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION OF
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, PAUL KYNO,
TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HAWAIT HOUSING
FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing
April 14, 2011
1:20 p.m.
Conference Room 225

Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land ,and Housing:

I am writing to support Governor Abercrombie's appointment of Paul Kyno to serve a four-year term on the Board of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) as an independent councilmember. I have known Mr. Kyno both professionally and personally for many years. Mr. Kyno has been a community advocate and has demonstrated outstanding character.

Mr. Kyno possesses a vast array of past experiences and knowledge. He has worked with the Kaua'i County Housing Agency and served as the Executive Director and founder of the Kaua'i Housing Development Company to the benefit of Kaua'i and the State. He has also, in the past, represented the State of Hawai'i for two years on the Affordable Housing Advisory Council of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle for the Ninth District of the United States.

Given Mr. Kyno's experience and knowledge in the area of housing and finance, I am confident that he knows what it takes to create and fund affordable housing.

For the reasons stated above, I urge your confirmation of Mr. Paul Kyno's appointment to the Board of the HHFDC.

Sincerely.

Tim Bynum

Kaua'i County Councilmember

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Comments:

As an individual member of the Kauai County Council, I fully support the appointment of Mr. Paul Kyno to the State HHFDC. His experience with the Kauai County Housing Agency and as an Executive Director and Founder of Kauai Housing Development Company has benefited both the County of Kauai and the State of Hawaii. I am also aware that he has represented the State of Hawaii for two years on the Affordable Housing Advisory Council of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle for the Ninth District of the United States. I have known Mr. Kyno personally for several years and believe that his appointment will be beneficial to the entire State of Hawaii. Thank you.



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Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

RE: GM 756 Gubernatorial Nominee Paul Kyno to the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation

Aloha,

On behalf of the Kaua'i Filipino Chamber of Commerce, I have the honor of endorsing Mr. Paul Kyno to serve on the Board of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation.

Mr. Kyno exemplifies the true qualities of a valued corporate member of our organization. His support to our organization is unquestionable. He values our missions to the highest extent.

Mr. Kyno's past experience with the Kaua'i Housing Agency truly qualifies him to the State Board. And having served as the Executive Director and Founder of the Kaua'i Housing Development Company, Mr. Kyno's leadership will truly a benefit to the Board and to our community.

We hope you give him the highest consideration for the position.

Respectfully,

Ernie Pasion President