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# Statement of Hakim Ouansafi Hawaii Public Housing Authority Before the

# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

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In consideration of

## House Bill 2083 Relating to Solid Waste Reduction

Honorable Chair Hashem and Members of the House Committee on Housing, thank you for the opportunity to provide you with comments regarding House Bill (H.B.) No. 2083, relating to solid waste.

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) **supports** the intent of this measure, which allows the HPHA to contract with private businesses to remove food and green waste from public housing projects.

The HPHA currently recycles its green waste in a variety of ways. From using mulch and wood chips to soak up old paint that needs to be removed, to making compost for gardens, the HPHA encourages recycling of any kind. If the agency's needs become too burdensome to handle, the HPHA will definitely look into contracting with private businesses to remove food and green waste.

The HPHA appreciates the opportunity to provide the House Committee on Housing with the agency's position regarding H.B. 2083. We respectfully request the Committee to pass this measure favorably, and we thank you very much for your dedicated support.

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