



GM726

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, AUDREY ABE, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

Report Title: Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation

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Statement of
LUIS P. SALAVERIA
Director
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before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND HOUSING

April 16, 2015 at 1:15 p.m.
State Capitol, Room 016

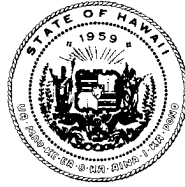
In consideration of
G.M. 726
**SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, AUDREY ABE, FOR A TERM TO
EXPIRE 6-30-2016.**

Chair Chun Oakland, and Members of the Senate Committee on Human
Services and Housing.

DBEDT **supports** the nomination of Audrey Abe as the Hawaii Housing Finance
and Development Corporation Board of Directors' City and County of Honolulu
representative. Ms. Abe is a Certified Public Account and Certified General Appraiser
with extensive experience in appraising residential and commercial property. She is
well-qualified to help guide the Board in meeting its mission.

DBEDT respectfully asks for the Committee's support of this nomination. Thank
you for the opportunity to testify.

DAVID Y. IGE
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Statement of
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The Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) Board of Directors **strongly supports** the nomination of Audrey Abe as the Board's City and County of Honolulu representative.

Ms. Abe has extensive professional experience in appraising residential and commercial property. She also has experience in working with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as an approved appraiser and auditing supervisor. Her expertise will be an asset to the HHFDC.

The HHFDC respectfully requests that the Committee support Ms. Abe's nomination. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

To: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Josh Green, Vice Chair and
Members of the Senate Committee Human Services and Housing

From: Kay Matsui

Re: GM726 Appointment of Audrey Abe, to the Board of Directors of the
Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation
Hearing: Thursday, April 16, 2015, 1:15 p.m., Conference Room
016

Position: STRONG SUPPORT

I am writing to you as a personal friend and business associate of Ms. Audrey Abe. She is committed to the task at hand and is a person of great integrity and moral character. Her years of experience as a business woman, as a CPA, real estate appraiser, and financial advisor makes her well suited to be a member of the Board of HHFDC.

Also her sincerity and caring are exemplified in the many years of community service she has performed. I have no doubt she will bring the same sincerity, commitment, and dedication to serving on the Board.

Ms. Abe was there for her family during the difficult times as a caregiver for her dad and later her husband, while running her business and supporting her daughter through high school and college. Her Christian beliefs and faith is central to her life. I believe Ms Abe will be a tremendous asset to the Board.

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To: Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Josh Green, Vice Chair and
Members of the Senate Committee Human Services and Housing

From: Sandra Labuguen

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May I introduce myself as a friend of Ms. Abe from our high school years on Kauai. In approximately the past twelve years that I relocated to Oahu, we've reconnected and I have gotten to know her better.

In my opinion, Ms. Abe has led her life in an exemplary manner, placing family care and Christian values at the forefront. In recent years, she cared for her father and husband until their passing, while raising her daughter and working as she was the primary source of financial support for her family. Her faith and church sustained her through these difficult years.

Over the years some things remain the same. I believe she is a person of sound moral character, and would apply the rules fairly to everyone. I've known Audrey to be a hard worker, and self motivated to accomplish what she sets out to do. In the past, and now Audrey gives her attention and really listens to what others have to say. She would be an asset to an organization that serves the public, by her honesty, work ethic and high standards. I believe the community would be well served by having someone on the board that is a good listener, and would render a decision after careful consideration of all of the facts.

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