## GM 794

Re: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Highway Safety Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, THOMAS NOYES, for a term to expire 06-30-2018.

# TESTIMONY

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## April 14, 2016 2:45 p.m. State Capitol, Room 229

#### G.M. No. 794

## SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE STATE HIGHWAY SAFETY COUNCIL, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, THOMAS NOYES, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2018.

#### Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy

The Department of Transportation **supports** Governor's Message Number 794, relating to the consideration and confirmation to the State Highway Safety Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, Thomas Noyes, for a term to expire 06-30-2018.

Mr. Noyes has more than 34 years of experience in State, corporate, non-profit and community project management and communications, which will make him a valuable member of the State Highway Safety Council.

Mr. Noyes is presently the Executive Director of Kauai Path, Inc. and is responsible for managing volunteers, fundraising and implementing programs to further Kauai Path's strategic direction.

The Department of Transportation respectfully requests that this Committee confirm Thomas Noyes to the State Highway Safety Council.



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### 4/13/2016

Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy

RE: GM-794, Support for the Nomination of Thomas A. Noyes to the State Highway Safety Council

Dear Chair Senator Inouye and Committee Members,

This letter is in support of Thomas Noyes nomination by Governor Ige for the Hawaii State Safety Council, and I understand your committee reviews his suitability for this position.

I have known Mr. Noyes for about 7 or 8 years on Kauai and worked with him closely. Mr. Noyes reported to me in my capacity as the Kauai District Health Officer for the Hawaii State Department of Health from May 2010 through June 2015. Prior to that Mr. Noyes recruited me to serve on Kauai Path, Inc.'s board of directors, which I willingly did because his leadership of that non-profit contributes significantly to the health and well-being of Kauai's population.

Mr. Noyes appreciates the nexus between transportation systems that encourage pedestrian, bicycle, and public transit and the increased physical activity levels resulting from that lifestyle. Further, Mr. Noyes has worked tirelessly with appointed State and County of Kauai personnel and community members to promote the safety and attractiveness of active transportation systems, in Kauai Path's efforts to fully integrate walking, bicycling and public transit into the fabric of daily life as contributing components of a well-functioning multi-modal transportation system. Ironically his former position with the DOH as Director of the Communities Putting Prevention to Work project (CPPW), dealt with these very issues. By ability, background, education, interest and inclination he is perfectly qualified for the position.

I unreservedly recommend Mr. Noyes for appointment to the Hawaii State Highway Safety Council as he is an extraordinarily well qualified candidate.

Sincerely,

Dileep G. Bal M.D., M.S., M.P.H. Kauai District Health Officer

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR OF HAWAI Justin F. Kollar Prosecuting Attorney

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#### TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT

GM 794 – Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Highway Safety Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, THOMAS NOYES, for a term to expire 06-30-2018.

Justin F. Kollar, Prosecuting Attorney County of Kaua'i

Senate Committee on Transportation & Energy April 14, 2016, 2:45 p.m., Conference Room 229

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Gabbard, and Members of the Committee:

I <u>SUPPORT</u> GM 794 – Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Highway Safety Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, THOMAS NOYES, for a term to expire 06-30-2018.

Mr. Noyes has been a longtime advocate for important transportation safety and injury prevention measures in our community. I have had the opportunity to collaborate with him on a variety of issues in these areas. Mr. Noyes has a breadth of experience, as well as a personality and temperament that will suit him well in this important role.

It has been my honor to work with him over the past several years on our shared initiatives to protect our island home.

Accordingly, I <u>SUPPORT</u> GM 794 and this nomination. I request that your Committee recommend CONFIRMATION of this nominee.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to provide testimony on this item.

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## Kaala Coleman

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### **GM794**

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Submitted By	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Lyle Tabata	County of Kauai	Support	No

Comments: April 13, 2016 Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy RE: GM-794, Support for the Nomination of Thomas A. Noyes to the State Highway Safety Council Aloha Chair Sen. Inouye, Vice Chair Sen. Gabbard, and Committee Members Sen. Chun Oakland, Sen. Nishihara, Sen. English, Sen. Slom, and Sen. Kidani, I have worked with Mr. Noyes over the past 6 years on our island of Kaua'i's transportation systems that encourage pedestrian, bicycle, and public transit and the increased physical activity levels resulting from that lifestyle. Further, Mr. Noyes has worked tirelessly with appointed State and County of Kaua'i personnel and community members to promote the safety and appeal of active transportation systems in Kaua'i Path's efforts to fully integrate walking, bicycling and public transit into the fabric of daily life as contributing components of a well-functioning multi-modal transportation system. He is an active and valued member of our community. I recommend Mr. Noyes for appointment to the Hawai'i State Highway Safety Council. Mahalo, Lyle Tabata Acting County Engineer Department of Public Works County of Kauai

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April 13, 2016

TO: Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy

RE: Testimony in strong SUPPORT of GM 794 relating to the appointment of THOMAS A. NOYES to the State Highway Safety Council

Honorable Chair Inouye and Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy:

The Līhu'e Business Association is pleased to testify in strong support of the confirmation of Thomas A. Noyes to the State Highway Safety Council,

Mr. Noyes understands the importance, as envisioned in the "Hawaii Strategic Highway Safety Plan," of working to assure all Hawai'i road users the ability to "arrive safely at their destinations."

For many years Mr. Noves has taught bicycle safety classes at our island schools, and he also holds classes for the general public. He has worked with government officials-through his participation on the county's Built Environment Task Force and other civic improvement committees-in their efforts to increase shared roadway safety by striping lanes for cyclists and marked passageways for pedestrians.

Mr. Noyes has also been a highly respected leader in the county's work to create the well-loved, eastside, coastal bike path on Kaua'i and is donating considerable time and effort to groups in other parts of the island who are interested in establishing similar paths.

Mr. Noyes has deep roots in the life of Kaua'i; his willingness to serve not only this island but the whole state through this work is a testimony to his character and dedication to serving others before self. Mr. Noyes will bring a depth of intelligence to the State Highway Safety Council's discourse. We respectfully ask that you advise and consent to his nomination and forward it to the full Senate for consideration.

Very truly yours,

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Pat Griffin, President Līhu'e Business Association Making Lihu'e **Our Business** 

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April 12, 2016

Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy

RE: GM-794, Support for the Nomination of Thomas A. Noyes to the State Highway Safety Council

Aloha Chair Sen. Inouye, Vice Chair Sen. Gabbard, and Committee Members Sen. Chun Oakland, Sen. Nishihara, Sen. English, Sen. Slom, and Sen. Kidani,

Mr. Noyes and I have worked together over the past 2 years on disaster preparedness in his previous role at the Department of Health and currently through the Kaua'i Trauma Advisory Council whose focus is injury prevention and system improvement for the County of Kaua'i.

Mr. Noyes appreciates the nexus between transportation systems that encourage pedestrian, bicycle, and public transit and the increased physical activity levels resulting from that lifestyle. Further, Mr. Noyes has worked tirelessly with appointed State and County of Kaua'i personnel and community members to promote the safety and appeal of active transportation systems in Kaua'i Path's efforts to fully integrate walking, bicycling and public transit into the fabric of daily life as contributing components of a well-functioning multi-modal transportation system.

He is an active and valued member of our community. I recommend Mr. Noyes for appointment to the Hawai'i State Highway Safety Council.

Sincerely,

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RC Blake	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Mr Noyes will represent Kauai very well Randall C Blake

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Kari Benes	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, Thomas Noyes would be a welcomed addition to the State Highway Safety Council. He has done tremendous work for the county of Kauai and comes with knowledge and experience that would benefit the Council. Please support the confirmation of Mr. Noyes. Kari Benes Co-chair, State Highway Safety Council

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