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Ke`ena O Ka Meia COUNTY OF MAUI – Kalana O Maui

April 11, 2018

TESTIMONY OF ALAN M ARAKAWA MAYOR COUNTY OF MAUI

BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

Thursday, April 12, 2018, 1:15 p.m. Conference Room 229

GM587 Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Advisory Council on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee, RICHARD MINATOYA, for a term to expire 06-30-2022.

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

I am writing this letter to request your support for Governor Ige's nomination of Richard Minatoya to the Hawai'i Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

Besides being one of the County of Maui's exceptional deputy prosecuting attorneys, Mr. Minatoya is an outstanding member of our Maui community, and is involved in a variety of nonprofit organizations such as the Kiwanis International, Maui County Sister Cities Foundation, Maui Japanese Chamber of Commerce, and the Maui Filipino Chamber of Commerce.

On many occasions, my staff and I have worked with Mr. Minatoya when the EOC (emergency operations center) is activated. On all such occasions, he has volunteered his time, providing invaluable service, and, for that, my staff and I are most grateful.

For all these reasons, I humbly ask for your support to confirm Mr. Minatoya's reappointment to the Hawaii Commission on Emergency Management (HACEM).

Mahalo in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Alan M. Arakawa Mayor, County of Maui



COUNTY OF MAUI EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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Alan Arakawa Mayor



Herman Andaya Emergency Management Administrator

To: The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair

and Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and

Military Affairs

Date: 12 April 2018 Time: 1:15 p.m.

Place: Conference Room 229, State Capitol

From: Herman Andaya, Administrator

Maui Emergency Management Agency

County of Maui

Testimony in Support of Governor's Message No. 587

For Consideration and Confirmation of RICHARD MINATOYA to the Hawai`i Advisory Council on Emergency Management for a Term to Expire June 30, 2022

Thank you for this opportunity to express my support for the confirmation of Richard Minatoya for reappointment to the Hawaii Commission on Emergency Management (HACEM). I have known Richard for over 25 years. Currently, Richard is a deputy prosecutor for the County of Maui and is a respected member of our community.

As the administrator of the Maui Emergency Management Agency, I have on many occasions interacted with Richard, especially during activations of the emergency operation center (EOC). While it is not a requirement of the position, Richard has come to every activation of the EOC as a member of HACEM and has provided valuable input to our team. I have also seen Richard regularly at the Hawaii Executive Preparedness Executive Committee (HEPEC) meetings and at the HACEM commission meetings as well.

As noted above, it is clearly evident that Richard understands the gravity of the role he holds as a member of HACEM and in fact, exceeds what is required of the position. He fulfills his role as a commission member with dedication and an appreciation for the field of emergency management.

For these reasons, I ask for your support in confirming Richard Minatoya's reappointment to the Hawaii Commission on Emergency Management (HACEM). Thank you for your consideration.

<u>GM-587</u> Submitted on: 4/5/2018 2:39:51 PM

Testimony for PSM on 4/12/2018 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Victor K. Ramos	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted on: 4/5/2018 3:57:54 PM

Testimony for PSM on 4/12/2018 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	ł
John D. Kim	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

I am the Prosecuting Attorney for Maui County, and I am writing to support the nomination of Richard Minatoya to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

Mr. Minatoya is a hardworking Deputy Prosecutor in the County of Maui. He is a serious thinker and possesses a keen mind. He has been a dedicated public servant for over two decades.

Thank you for this opportunity to participate in the confirmation process. I may be contacted at work (808) 270-7632 or home (808) 871-4109 to answer any questions regarding Mr. Minatoya.

<u>GM-587</u> Submitted on: 4/6/2018 2:59:52 PM

Testimony for PSM on 4/12/2018 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alan Urasaki	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

In Support of your consideration and confirmation of Richard Minatoya.

To: Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

From: Galen Yoshimoto

Date: April 9, 2018

Subject: Governor's Message 587, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the

Hawai'i Advisory Council on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee,

RICHARD MINATOYA, for a term to expire 06-30-2022.

Aloha Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai and the members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs:

I submit this testimony in **support** of the nomination of RICHARD MINATOYA to serve another four-year term on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

During my tenure at the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency prior to my retirement, I had the opportunity to work with Mr. Minatoya. His employment with both the Maui and Kauai counties provides him with a great background serving on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. He has been an asset on the council and the State of Hawaii.

I ask the committee to recommend the confirmation of RICHARD MINATOYA for another term on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony in support of this gubernatorial nomination.