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Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Real

Estate Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, JOHN LOVE, for a

term to expire 06-30-2022.

Report

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**Real Estate Commission** 

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### TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE Regular Session of 2018

Thursday, March 29, 2018 9:30 A.M.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 594, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JOHN LOVE, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2020.

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Catherine Awakuni Colón, Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to testify in support of Governor's Message No. 594, nominating Mr. John Love for membership on the Real Estate Commission ("Commission") for a term to expire June 30, 2020.

Mr. Love is a partner at Cades Schutte LLP, specializing in real estate. He has been with the firm since 2010. Prior to that, Mr. Love served as a contracts negotiator at D.E. Shaw & Co., L.P. in New York from 2006 to 2007. In addition, Mr. Love coauthored a chapter of the Hawaii Real Estate Law Manual and participated as a presenter and panelist at Hawaii real estate law seminars. He currently serves as Treasurer of the Real Property and Financial Services Section of the Hawaii State Bar Association. Mr. Love understands the responsibility of attending and preparing for the Commission's monthly meetings.

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Given Mr. Love's expertise and dedication to Hawaii's real estate industry, the Department believes that he is in a good position to positively contribute to the Commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Mr. Love's nomination to the Real Estate Commission.



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Via Email

March 22, 2018

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Re: GM594; Testimony in Support of the Confirmation of Gubernatorial

Nominee, John Love to the Real Estate Commission

Aloha, Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I have known Mr. Love for his entire career as a real estate attorney and am now privileged to be his law partner.

John is an attorney of unparalleled skill because of his intelligence, thoughtfulness, and ability to see the big picture, even in extraordinarily complex transactions. He is a gifted attorney and real estate professional; the State will benefit tremendously from John's talents should he be confirmed.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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Hawaii State Capitol, Room 230
415 South Beretania Street
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Re: GM594; Testimony in Support of the Confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee, John Love to the Real Estate Commission

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I write to express my strong support for the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I was an attorney at Cades Schutte LLP during the time that John worked for the firm for two summers while he was in law school and then since he joined the firm full time in 2010. During that time, I've worked with John on a handful of real estate matters and on several firm-related committees. Based on my many interactions with John, my experience is that he is incredibly smart, thoughtful and very knowledgeable about real estate law. He's also a very nice person and embodies the highest ethical standards. I believe he would be a tremendous asset to the Real Estate Commission, and I recommend his confirmation for that position without hesitation.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please contact me if you have any questions at <u>ajones@cades.com</u> or (808) 521-9232.

Sincerely,

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March 22, 2018

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Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I appreciate the opportunity to testify in support of the nomination of John Love as a Commissioner of the Real Estate Commission.

I am a partner of the Finance and Real Estate Department of the law firm of Cades Schutte A Limited Liability Law Partnership. Over the past approximately 10 years, it has been my privilege to know and work with Mr. Love. His legal practice focuses on Hawaii real estate law. I have known Mr. Love to be a competent attorney who conducts business in a highly professional manner. In addition, he serves on a number of our firm's committees and he relates and works well with other members of those committees.

I am confident that he will be an outstanding member of the Real Estate Commission and that he will serve the public with the highest level of integrity. He will relate well with other commissioners and will treat all with fairness. I fully support Mr. Love's nomination to serve on the Real Estate Commission.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Grace Nihei Kido

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Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I have known Mr. Love for 8 years. I am the chairman of the Finance and Real Estate Department at Cades Schutte LLP, where I supervised Mr. Love from the outset and in which he has excelled in his knowledge and practice of real estate transactions. He is a credit to the community of real estate practitioners and the community at large. His extensive and talented legal background in Hawaii's real estate law makes him a valuable addition to the Real Estate Commission, where he will be of great service and benefit. For these reasons I support his nomination without hesitation.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

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Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I have known Mr. Love during his tenure at Cades Schutte LLP for more than 7 years and have found him to be incredibly smart, ethical, and thoughtful. He is extremely well-liked and respected among his peers and all the attorneys at Cades Schutte LLP. His extensive legal background in Hawaii's real estate law, makes him a valuable addition to the Real Estate Commission. For these reasons I support his nomination without hesitation.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions at kkrzykowski@cades.com or 521-9233.

Yours truly,

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March 23, 2018

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Re:

GM594; Testimony in Support of the Confirmation of Gubernatorial

Nominee, John Love to the Real Estate Commission

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I have known Mr. Love for eight years and have found him to be honest, ethical, personable, detail-oriented, reliable, and impeccable with his word. His extensive legal background in Hawaii's real estate law, and incredible work ethic, will make him an invaluable asset to the Real Estate Commission. For these reasons, among others, I unequivocally support his nomination and feel honored to submit this recommendation.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

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Re: GM594; Testimony in Support of the Confirmation of Gubernatorial

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Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda, and Members of the Committee:

I write to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I first met Mr. Love in 2009 when he served as a summer associate at Cades Schutte between his second and third years in law school at Northwestern University. Upon graduating from law school, *cum laude*, he joined the Cades Schutte firm as an associate. In recognition of his outstanding work in his practice areas of residential, resort, and commercial real estate matters, he was elected to the Cades Schutte partnership in 2017. For more than eight years, I have observed first hand his work, work ethic, and professional ethics. Without fail, they have been marked by excellence. These accomplishments and qualities would make him a superb addition to the Real Estate Commission. For these reasons, I support his nomination without hesitation and urge that his nomination be confirmed.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly.

C. Michael Heihre

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Re: GM594; Testimony in Support of the Confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee, John Love to the Real Estate Commission

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I have known Mr. Love for 4 years and have found him to be ethical, responsible and prudent. As outside counsel for the company I work at, he always provides sound advice based on this thorough research and analysis of any issue. He also considers the impacts of such advice on all parties whether parties in support or adverse. He is also very easy to work with and can see different sides of issues. Finally, Mr. Love's extensive legal background in Hawaii's real estate law, especially Hawaii's condominium law, makes him a valuable addition to the Real Estate Commission. For these reasons I support his nomination without hesitation.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

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March 23, 2018

#### Via Email

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Re: GM594; Testimony in Support of the Confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee. John Love to the Real Estate Commission

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I have known Mr. Love for over six years; we have worked together on many complex real estate transactions, and he currently serves on the board of directors of the Real Property and Financial Services Section of the Hawaii Bar Association. Mr. Love is highly competent, solution-oriented, and a capable counselor to his clients. His integrity and his reputation in the legal community is impeccable. His extensive legal background in Hawaii's real estate law makes him a valuable addition to the Real Estate Commission. For these reasons I enthusiastically support his nomination.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Lorrin Hirano



March 23, 2018

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#### Via Email

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Nominee, John Love to the Real Estate Commission

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I have known Mr. Love for over twenty years and have been his law partner for almost eight years. John is a first-rate attorney, extremely hard-working and dedicated to his practice, and possesses the highest of ethical standards. His extensive legal background in Hawaii's real estate law, in particular, makes him a valuable addition to the Real Estate Commission. I know he will greatly excel as a commissioner, and the Hawaii real estate community will benefit from his knowledge and experience. For these reasons I support his nomination without hesitation.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Nathan T. Okubo

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#### Via Email

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Re: GM594; Testimony <u>in Support</u> of the Confirmation of John Love to the Real Estate

Commission

Aloha Chair Baker & Members of the Committee:

As a Maui lawyer with over 25 year experience in the areas overseen by the Commission, and as a friend and colleague of John Love for the past 6 years, I am confident that Mr. Love will be an excellent addition to the Commission. He has a deep understanding of the Commission's vital role in protecting consumers. He's also very knowledgeable about the laws and practical realities of real estate brokerage and condominiums. Together these strengths make him an excellent candidate for this position.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

Yours truly,

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Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I have known Mr. Love for several years and have found him to be meticulous and ethical. His extensive legal background in Hawaii's real estate law, makes him a valuable addition to the Real Estate Commission. For these reasons I support his nomination without hesitation.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

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March 23, 2018

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Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I write to support the nomination of my law partner John Love to the Real Estate Commission. Mr. Love is one of the finest real estate attorneys in the islands. He is a skilled practitioner, ethical lawyer and dedicated collaborator. Importantly for the position for which Mr. Love has been nominated, he is generous with his time. I am confident that Mr. Love will be a valuable addition to the Real Estate Commission.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I have known Mr. Love for 6 years and have found him to be very principled, intelligent, and hard working. His extensive legal background in Hawaii's real estate law, makes him a valuable addition to the Real Estate Commission. As a real estate agent, I know the brokerage community will benefit greatly from John's expertise. For these reasons I support his nomination without hesitation.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

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Re: GM594; Testimony in Support of the Confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee, John Love to the Real Estate Commission

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am very pleased to submit this letter in support of the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission.

I have had the opportunity to work together with Mr. Love in the Finance and Real Estate Department at Cades Schutte since 2010. His clients and colleagues value his professionalism, knowledge of the law, and ability to work through complex real estate issues.

His extensive legal background in Hawaii's real estate law and work ethic, make him a valuable addition to the Real Estate Commission. For these reasons I support his nomination without hesitation.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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Re: GM594; Testimony in Support of the Confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee, John Love to the Real Estate Commission

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I have known Mr. Love for almost ten years, beginning from when he started his legal career as an associate at our law firm. John is one of the partners I routinely consult on real estate matters. His extensive legal background in Hawaii's real estate law makes him a valuable addition to the Real Estate Commission. John is the consummate professional. He is bright, diligent, meticulous in detail, and fair. He has also displayed a rare combination of humility and confidence in speaking up about issues that affect the long-term welfare of our firm. I trust he will be equally effective and conscientious as a Real Estate Commissioner. For these reasons I support his nomination without hesitation.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

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March 27, 2018

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Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Rhonda L. Griswold

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Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am writing to support the nomination of John Love to the Real Estate Commission. I have known Mr. Love for about seven years and have found him to be of exceptional character and integrity. He is a pleasure to work with, generous with his time, and deeply committed to Hawaii's future. His extensive legal background in Hawaii's real estate law makes him a valuable addition to the Real Estate Commission. For these reasons, I support his nomination without hesitation.

Thank you for considering my testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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March 28, 2018

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I appreciate the opportunity to testify in support of the nomination of John Love as a Commissioner of the Real Estate Commission.

I was a real estate law partner for over 30 years, now currently of counsel, of the law firm of Cades Schutte. Over the past approximately 8 years, it has been my privilege to know, supervise and work very closely with Mr. Love. His legal practice focuses on Hawaii real estate law. I have known Mr. Love to be a highly competent attorney who conducts business in a highly professional manner, far beyond his years of practice. In addition, he serves on a number of our firm's committees and he relates and works well with other members of those committees.

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Respectfully,

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