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Consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, Arnold Wong, for a term to expire 06-30-2022.

The Honorable Ronald Kouchi, President, and members of the Senate

Twenty Ninth State Legislature

Hawaii State Capitol, Room 409

Honolulu, HI 96813

Aloha Chair Representative Karl Rhonds and Vice chair Mike Gabbard. My name is JoNina Rivera, and I am writing in support of GM727, which would be in consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, Arnold Wong, for a term to expire 06-30-2022.

I am currently a graduate student at the University of Hawaii at Manoa apart of the Myron B. Thompson School of Social Work. I am writing this testimony to include that I, along with other students share our support for Arnold Wong and his consideration to the Land Use Commision. Arnold Wong has an array of professional experience that we

know will make a difference within the community. He will be an assist to all and his voice will allow him to advocate for future changes for the Land Use Commision. His nomination will build upon the foundation that has already been established, and his knowledge and skills will bring forth change as he represents the community. It is an honor to include my testimony and to share that Arnold Wong had my full support. Best wishes to his future endeavors.

Thank you for your time.



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The Hawaii State AFL-CIO strongly supports the nomination of Arnold K.H. Wong to be a member of the Land Use Commission (LUC).

Mr. Wong has over twenty years of employment and community experience that ranges from working for Congressman Neil Abercrombie as a Congressional Aide to being the Executive Director of the City and County of Honolulu Juvenile Justice Center and most recently as the Director of Government Affairs for the Iron Workers Union Stabilization Fund, Local 625. Mr. Wong is also an active participant in the community and provides countless hours of his personal time serving as a Pac-5 Judo Head Coach, a Commissioner for the Honolulu Fire Commission, and as a Board Member for the St. Francis Foundation. Mr. Wong's employment and community experience makes him a highly qualified member of the LUC.

In addition, I have known Mr. Wong for an immeasurable amount of time and can attest to his solid work ethic and commitment to improve Hawaii. Mr. Wong will undoubtedly be able to take on the difficult tasks that lie ahead and I know he will serve the LUC with the utmost integrity and determination to administer the Land Use Law. I can confidently and enthusiastically recommend Mr. Wong to be a member of the LUC.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Respectfully submitted,

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