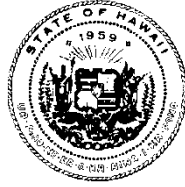**DAVID Y. IGE**
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Before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING
May 12, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.
State Capitol, Room 229

In consideration of
G.M. 590
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, GARY MACKLER, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE ON 06-30-2022.

HHFDC ***strongly supports*** the nomination of Gary Mackler to serve as the Kauai County representative on the HHFDC Board of Directors.

Mr. Mackler is a graduate of the University of Hawaii at Manoa with a degree in environmental studies. He also has a law degree from West State University College of Law. Mr. Mackler has had decades of service in affordable housing development in the Development Division of the Kauai County Housing Agency. As Housing Development Coordinator, he was responsible for facilitating the development and production of over 1,200 units on Kauai. Following his retirement, he now serves on the boards of the Hawaii HomeOwnership Center – Community Land Trust, and the Kauai Housing Development Corporation, and therefore provides the HHFDC Board with a valuable source of knowledge and experience on Kauai County's housing needs.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Janice Takahashi	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in **support** of Gary Mackler's nomination to the HHFDC Board of Directors. He is a knowledgeable and respected expert in the housing community. Gary's willingness to continue to serve on the HHFDC board is welcome and much appreciated.