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To: The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair; The Honorable Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair; and Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

From: Rona M. Suzuki, Director Department of Taxation

## Re: STRONG SUPPORT of GM 789

Date: Monday, May 18, 2020 Time: 10:30 A.M. Place: Auditorium, State Capitol

The Department of Taxation (Department) strongly supports GM 789 and the confirmation of Katharine Lloyd to the Tax Review Commission.

Ms. Lloyd serves as Senior Vice President and General Counsel at the Hawaii Community Foundation. Mr. Micah Kane recommended Ms. Lloyd to serve on the Tax Review Commission as she serves as HCF's tax expert, including tax strategies related to the ALICE population. We are honored that Ms. Lloyd is willing to serve on the Tax Review Commission to ensure that we are able to address the needs of low-income communities in Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of GM 789 and the confirmation of Katharine Lloyd to the Tax Review Commission.

## Testimony of Ku'uhaku Park On Behalf of Matson Support GM789 Before the Committee on Ways and Means May 18, 2020

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Committee,

Matson supports GM789, which nominates Katharine Lloyd to the Tax Review Commission. Ms. Lloyd's extensive experience in taxation and tax policy provides her with a solid background necessary to assist with conducting a systematic review of Hawaii's tax structure with equity and efficiency.

Thank you for considering our testimony in support.