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TESTIMONY OF SCOTT L. CHAN, STADIUM MANAGER STADIUM AUTHORITY DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM ON July 1, 2020, 3:00 P.M. Conference Room 224 G.M. 814

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Taniguchi, and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony supporting the reappointment of Mr. John Lee Fink to the Stadium Authority Board.

Over the past four years, I have been fortunate to have had the opportunity and pleasure of working with Mr. Fink and have benefitted greatly from his wealth of business experience and knowledge that he has brought to the table. The Stadium Authority has also benefitted significantly from Mr. Fink's professionalism and collaborative style of communication. He continues to provide sound perspectives while being respectful and collaborative. Through his professionalism, the Stadium Authority has benefitted tremendously over the past four years.

In addition to his expansive executive experience, Mr. Fink continues to be involved in Hawaii's sports industry through his active volunteer work with many non-profit organizations. I believe Mr. Fink's wealth of knowledge and experience will continue to greatly support the goals and objectives of the Stadium

Authority Board and further strengthen the cohesive makeup of the existing Stadium Authority Board as it moves forward to address the many challenges that lie ahead.

As such, I respectfully ask for the Committee's favorable consideration in reconfirming gubernatorial nominee, Mr. John Lee Fink to the Stadium Authority for a term to expire on June 30, 2024.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony in support of Mr. John Lee Fink.



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## WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF CURT T. OTAGURO, COMPTROLLER DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM

JULY 1, 2020, 3:00 P.M. CONFERENCE ROOM 224, STATE CAPITOL

#### G.M. 814

SUBMITTING FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JOHN FINK, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2024.

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on G.M. 814. I support the nomination of Mr. John Fink to serve a second term on the Stadium Authority Board.

Mr. Fink was recently appointed as President & CEO for Aloha United Way. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Fink spent nearly 40 years in media including 23 years as VP & General Manager for KFVE and KHNL television stations. He has also served as a business consultant, author and a dynamic public speaker. He currently serves on numerous boards that serve our community and local businesses.

Mr. Fink's expertise in the field of media coupled with his strong advocacy for positive initiatives that support our community make him an ideal and invaluable member of the Stadium Authority. He has especially provided tremendous insight and business acumen for the State's new Aloha Stadium Entertainment District.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR



June 30, 2020

Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair Members of the Senate Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism Thirtieth Legislature Regular Session, 2020

## RE: Governor's Message No. 814 Hearing Date: July 1, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.

Aloha Chair Wakai, Vice chair Taniguchi and Members of the Senate Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism,

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit this testimony in support of John Fink's reappointment to the Stadium Authority.

Over the past four years, it has been my privilege to serve on the Stadium Authority along with John. During this time, it has become apparent that John is a critical thinker with a long history of advising boards and management groups in Hawaii. His background in sports and as an executive at one of Hawaii's most well-known companies has been vital to setting long term policies for operations and expansion of Aloha Stadium. John has served the board in many capacities including chair of the external affairs committee, maintaining strong relationships with external stakeholders, and in representing the board at various community meetings.

I believe that John has the vision, experience and leadership needed for the Stadium Authority to move forward at this critical point in the redevelopment of NASED. For these reasons, I strongly support GM 814 and hope you will confirm his nomination.

Mahalo,

Michael L. Iosua

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July 1, 2020

Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism Hawaii State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

#### **RE: SUPPORT for GM 814 – JOHN FINK,** Stadium Authority

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

I write in strong support for Governors Message 814 Nominating John Fink to the Stadium Authority.

I have had the pleasure of serving on the Stadium Authority with Mr. Fink for the past four years. During that time he has served as the Chair of the External Affairs Committee, which is one of the standing committees of the Authority. In that role, his tempered insight and experience in working with external stakeholders have proven to be of great value.

As the Stadium Authority enters a season approaching the development of the New Aloha Stadium Entertainment District, his professional experience in local media as well as his service in his prior term would greatly benefit the Authority and provide needed continuity and as move forward.

I feel Mr. Fink is qualified and his service in this capacity has proven valuable to the Stadium Authority and its beneficiaries. His re-appointment will allow him to continue to contribute and build on the momentum that has been created over the past years.

I strongly urge the Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism to advise the Senate to confirm Mr. Fink's nomination to the Stadium Authority.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written comments.

Sincerely

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Ross I. Yamasaki

<u>GM-814</u> Submitted on: 6/30/2020 7:26:35 AM Testimony for EET on 7/1/2020 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Brian Miyamoto	Individual	Support	No

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