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Testimony of Gwen Yamamoto Lau, Executive Director Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM Friday, March 4, 2022 at 3:00 P.M. State Capitol, Conference Room 224 and Video Conference in consideration of GM NO. 638 Confirmation to the Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee DENNIS WONG, for a term to expire 6-30-2026

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Misalucha and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in **strong support** of Governor's Message 638, for Gubernatorial Nominee, Dennis Wong, to serve as a Board Member of the Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority ("HGIA").

Having known Mr. Wong over the past three decades working for competing banks in the financial services industry, I have experienced first-hand his strong work ethic, financial acumen, sincere concern for his banking customers and willingness to give back to our community. Following his retirement as Senior Vice President & Oahu Regional Manager for Hawaii National Bank, Mr. Wong joined the Hawaii Small Business Development Center as Senior Business Advisor providing technical assistance to small businesses on Oahu. His service-above-self philosophy continues with his willingness to serve as a Member of HGIA. We are fortunate to have him on our HGIA team as his technical expertise in lending perfectly complements the clean energy, economic development and finance skills of our other HGIA board members.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify and offer strong support and comments for Governor's Message 638.



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Testimony of SCOTT J. GLENN, Chief Energy Officer

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Friday, March 4, 2022 3:00 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 224 & Videoconference

SUPPORT

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 638, DENNIS WONG TO THE HAWAII GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY (Written Testimony Only)

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Misalucha, and Members of the Committee, I am writing in support of the appointment of Mr. Wong to serve on the Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority (HGIA).

As an *ex officio* member of the HGIA, I have had the pleasure of working directly with Mr. Wong as a fellow board member. Mr. Wong has been a dedicated board member readily offering his technical lending expertise and assistance to the HGIA. He is an excellent complement to the clean energy, economic development, and finance skills of the other HGIA board members.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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Testimony of MIKE MCCARTNEY Director DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM Friday, March 4, 2022 3:00 P.M. State Capitol, Conference Room 224 and Videoconference

in consideration of GM 638 Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, DENNIS WONG, for a term to expire 6-30-2026

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Misalucha and Members of the Committee:

As Chair of the Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority ("Authority"), I am pleased to testify in **strong support** of Governor's Message 638, for Gubernatorial Nominee, Dennis Wong, to serve as a Board Member of the Authority.

A retired banking executive with over 41 years in the financial services industry, and currently a Senior Business Advisor with the Small Business Development Center, Mr. Wong rounds out the strengths and technical skills of the Authority's members with his strong analytical and financial acumen, coupled with his invaluable lending experience, critical for a loan fund.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify and offer strong support for Dennis Wong.

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Dennis Wong	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

I look forward to serving as a board of director for Hawaii Green Infrastructure Authority.