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Statement of **Hakim Ouansafi**Hawaii Public Housing Authority

Before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

Thursday, April 14, 2022 1:00 PM – Videoconference – Room 225, Hawaii State Capitol

In consideration of **GM 799**

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, Christyl Nagao, for a term to expire 06-30-2026.

Honorable Chair Chang, and Members of the Senate Committee on Housing, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in **STRONG SUPPORT** of Governor's Message (GM) 799, to consider and confirm Ms. Christyl Nagao to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority (HPHA), for a term to expire June 30, 2026.

The HPHA Board needs directors with a variety of life experiences and professional expertise in order to effectively fulfill its role as a policy guide for the agency. Ms. Nagao's years of real estate development, property management, and facilities maintenance experience will make her a great asset to the HPHA Board of Directors.

The HPHA appreciates the opportunity to provide the Senate Committee on Housing with the agency's position regarding G.M. 799. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the nomination and confirmation of Ms. Nagao to the HPHA Board of Directors.