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Statement of  
**Craig K. Nakamoto, Executive Director**  
Hawai'i Community Development Authority

before the  
**SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM**

Tuesday, April 18, 2023  
10:00 AM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 225 & Videoconference

In consideration, of  
**GM 639**  
Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i  
Community Development Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee,  
CHASON ISHII, for a term to expire 06-30-2027.

Chair DeCoite, Vice Chair Wakai and members of the Committee.

The Hawai'i Community Development Authority (HCDA) **supports GM 639**, that considers for confirmation Mr. Chason Ishii as an At-Large Member of the HCDA Board, with the term expiring on June 30, 2027.

Since becoming Chair at HCDA, Member Ishii has demonstrated his effectiveness as a professional community leader and vital member of the board as he guides by example, communicates effectively, and collaborates with staff and the community as we work to build communities in the HCDA districts.

His experience and skills as a successful business leader have been an asset to the HCDA, and we are thankful that he is willing to serve as a volunteer on the board, as we continue to work to spur economic development and aim to meet the highest needs and aspirations of Hawai'i's people.

We appreciate and thank the Senate for supporting HCDA and this nominee, and we look forward to continued guidance and support from the legislature and Mr. Ishii.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support.

**GM-639**

Submitted on: 4/14/2023 9:57:38 AM

Testimony for EET on 4/18/2023 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
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Comments:

I support Chason Ishii for membership of HCDA. Thank you

**GM-639**

Submitted on: 4/17/2023 9:10:28 AM

Testimony for EET on 4/18/2023 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
David Rodriguez	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support GM639. I've had the honor to serve with Mr. Ishii on HCDA. His knowledge, wisdom and experiences were very helpful to the productivity of the board.

**GM-639**

Submitted on: 4/10/2023 3:54:11 PM

Testimony for EET on 4/18/2023 10:00:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Gerard Silva	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

NO !!!