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Testimony of JAMES KUNANE TOKIOKA Director

Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

Thursday, April 11, 2024 1:00 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 225

In consideration of **GM 700**

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, CAROL REIMANN, for a term to expire 06-30-2028.

Chair Chang, Vice Chair Hashimoto and Members of the Committee.

I am in strong **support** of the appointment of Carol Reimann to serve on the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation.

Ms. Reimann has a strong background in commerce, economic development, community engagement and government relations with extensive experience in both the public and private sectors. She is currently part of the senior management team for Alexander & Baldwin's business interests on Maui and has previous experience working as the Director of Housing and Human Concerns for the County of Maui and the Executive Director of the Maui Hotel and Lodging Association. In addition, Ms. Reimann has served in a number of organizations including the Maui Chamber of Commerce, Maui Economic Development Board, and Maui Economic Opportunity.

As a current HHFDC board member, Ms. Reimann is always prepared for the applications on meeting agendas and is consistently seeking win-win solutions in her decisions. For these reasons, I respectfully ask for Ms. Reimann's confirmation to serve on the Board of Directors for the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation. Thank you for the opportunity to offer my strong support.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR

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Statement of **DEAN MINAKAMI**

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Before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

April 11, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. State Capitol, Room 225

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GM 700

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, CAROL REIMANN, for a term to expire 06-30-2028.

Chair Chang, Vice Chair Hashimoto, and members of the Committee:

HHFDC <u>supports</u> the nomination of Carol Reimann, the current Vice Chair of the HHFDC Board of Directors, to serve another term on the board.

Hawaii Revised Statutes Section 201H-3 requires that at least four public members of the board have certain affordable housing knowledge and expertise and at least one public member be appointed from Maui County, and Ms. Reimann meets both of those requirements.

Ms. Reimann has ample experience in housing and land development on Maui. She was appointed as Vice President of Alexander & Baldwin – Maui in 2018, and prior to that was the Director of the County Department of Housing and Human Concerns. While working with the Maui County administration, she initiated programs to facilitate the development of affordable housing in conjunction with HHFDC. Her knowledge, experience, and commitment to affordable housing will continue to serve the board well.

Ms. Reimann is well qualified to serve another term and has a wealth of relevant professional and personal experiences that is of great value to HHFDC. She is a fully engaged member of the board, having served on various permitted action groups that provide guidance and set policies for HHFDC.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our support for GM 700.

Testimony of Pacific Resource Partnership

Senate Committee On Housing Senator Stanley Chang, Chair Senator Troy N. Hashimoto, Vice Chair

GM 700—Consideration and Confirmation to the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, Carol Reimann Thursday, April 11, 2024 1:00 P.M.

Aloha Chair Chang, Vice Chair Hashimoto, and Members of the Committee:

Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP) is a nonprofit organization that represents the Hawai'i Regional Council of Carpenters, the largest construction union in the state with approximately 6,000 members, in addition to more than 250 diverse contractors ranging from mom-and-pop owned businesses to national companies.

PRP writes in strong support of GM 700, which submits for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, Ms. Carol Reimann, for a term to expire June 30, 2028.

Ms. Reimann's commitment to public service; understanding of the challenges and need for affordable housing in the State of Hawaii; leadership experience in business, government, and community relations; and her ability to work with people and communities renders her best-suited to serve as a member on the Board of Directors of the HHFDC.

As such, we are pleased to offer our strong support for Ms. Reimann's confirmation to the HHFDC Board.



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April 5, 2024

Senator Stanley Chang Hawaii State Capitol 415 S. Beretania Street, Room 226 Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: Carol K. Reimann - Nominee for HHFDC Board of Directors

Dear Senator Chang:

I am writing for the purpose of endorsing and expressing my highest recommendation of Carol K. Reimann for reappointment to the HHFDC Board of Directors. Ms. Reimann is a current HHFDC board member from Maui, and she has learned so much in this role, and served and represented our community so well. Given the very challenging circumstances we face in the housing arena, her commitment to our community, as well as the knowledge and expertise she has gained through her career trajectory, Ms. Reimann is uniquely suited to continue on in this role.

Please give her your favorable consideration as you proceed through the appointment process.

Mahalo nui loa.

Sincerely yours,

GRANT Y. M. CHUN Executive Director

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