

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 10

Honolulu, Hawaii

OCT 31 2013

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 29

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Second Special Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 29, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

G.M. No. 29 DOUGLAS SCHENK,
for a term to expire 6-30-2017,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history and resume submitted by the nominee and finds Douglas Schenk to possess the requisite commitment, sincerity, dedication, and qualifications to be nominated to the Board of Directors of the Agribusiness Development Corporation.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this nominee from the Agribusiness Development Corporation; Hawaii Cattlemen's Council, Inc.; Maui Cattlemen's Association; Ponoholo Ranch, Ltd.; Farias Cattle Company; McCandless Ranch; MauiGrown Coffee, Inc.; International Longshore & Warehouse Union, Local 142; and eight individuals.

Mr. Schenk is currently serving as an interim appointee to the Board of Directors of the Agribusiness Development Corporation. Mr. Schenk earned a Bachelor's degree in Tropical Agriculture from the University of Hawaii at Manoa. He is currently a Partner and Chairman of the Board of the Hali'imaile Pineapple Company. Prior to his work with the Hali'imaile Pineapple Company, he was the Executive Vice President of Maui

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Land and Pineapple Company, Inc., for approximately nine years. He also worked at Maui Pineapple Company, Inc., for nearly thirty years where he also served as its President for ten years. He is currently on the Board of the Maui Federal Credit Union as well. Among other community activities, he has previously served on the Board of the Pineapple Growers Association of Hawaii; Department of Education Natural Resources Advisory Board; Board of Governors, Hawaii Employers Council; and Hawaii Agricultural Research Center Committee. His vast knowledge and experience of large and small agricultural operations and water systems will be invaluable to the Board of Directors of the Agribusiness Development Corporation as the Board seeks to convert plantation-size land and water systems to smaller diversified agricultural enterprises.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Agriculture,



CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



