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Senator Ron Menor
Chair, Senate Committee on Energy and Environment
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 208
415 South Beretania Street
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Subject: Letter of Recommendation for James Sullivan
Regarding GM No. 476 Nomination to the Environmental Council

Dear Senator Menor,

It is with great pleasure that I submit this letter of recommendation for Mr. James Sullivan's nomination to the Office of Environmental Quality Control's citizen advisory board. As the Sustainability Coordinator for Actus Lend Lease, Mr. Sullivan has taken the lead on matters concerning building green, sensitivity to site ecology and environmental quality in matters of design, engineering and construction in the State of Hawaii.

In the numerous training sessions that our office has coordinated, Mr. Sullivan has generously dedicated the time and energy to participating in the sessions. His 15 years of experience on construction projects in Hawaii makes him well-qualified to present information on the approach that Actus is taking in the area of green developments in Hawaii. Actus Lend Lease is truly leading the way with energy efficient and green building in Hawaii and the world.

As a LEED accredited professional and mechanical engineer, Mr. Sullivan is highly qualified and has also participated in many national and local conferences on green building. He is able to make a difference by setting a good example and leading the way toward greener buildings and large scale developments in the State of Hawaii. With his broad and highly qualified experience and background, he will be a very valuable member of the OEQC's advisory board. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Gail Suzuki-Jones
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Senate Committee on Energy and Environment

**Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the Environmental Council,
Gubernatorial Nominee,**

**GM 475, James R. Sullivan
For a Term to Expire 6-30-2008**

**GM 476, James R. Sullivan
For a Term to Expire 6-30-2012**

**Testimony of Katherine Puana Kealoha
Interim Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control**

**Thursday, April 3, 2008, 2:45 p.m.
Room 414**

1 The Department of Health strongly supports the appointment of Mr. James Sullivan. His
2 background in engineering, sustainability and other green building initiatives coordinator for
3 Actus Lend Lease, a leader in public/private community development, will help the Council's
4 efforts to educate the public about environmental and cultural issues in Hawaii.

5 Members of the Council represent education, business, and environmental disciplines and
6 professions such as the natural and social sciences, the humanities, architecture, engineering,
7 public health, planning, agriculture, real estate, visitor industry, construction, media, and
8 community and environmental groups.

9 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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March 31, 2008

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Chair, Senate Committee on Energy and Environment
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 208
415 South Beretania Street
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Subject: Letter of Recommendation for James Sullivan
Regarding GM No. 476 Nomination to the Environmental Council

Dear Senator Menor,

It is with great pleasure that I offer this letter of recommendation for Mr. James Sullivan's nomination to the State Environmental Council. As his direct supervisor, I wholeheartedly support his participation on the Environmental Council and can attest to his passion concerning the environment and sustainability in general. As Actus' Sustainability Coordinator, James has utilized his technical background in engineering and construction to support Actus Lend Lease's aspiration to be a sustainable organization socially, economically and environmentally.

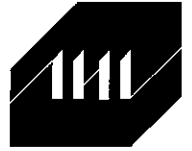
James was Actus Lend Lease's first LEED accredited professional and has demonstrated a proactive enthusiasm for green building. His passion has taken him to participate in national and local conferences that build upon his core competencies. I am confident that James will take this same enthusiasm to the Environmental Council and will carry out his duties with conviction, impartiality and professionalism.

I truly believe James will be a valuable asset to the Environmental Council and will provide a worthy service to the State of Hawaii.

Very truly yours,


Bennette Misalucha Evangelista
Vice President & Regional Director
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Actus Lend Lease

March 25, 2008



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The Honorable Ron Menor
State Senator
Chair, Senate Committee on Energy and Environment
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 219
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**Subject: Letter of Recommendation for James Sullivan LEED-AP
Regarding GM No. 476 Nomination to the Environmental
Council**

Dear Senator Menor:

My name is David Bylund. I am a Principal at Architects Hawaii and currently serve on the Environmental Council as the Chair of the Annual Report Committee. I enthusiastically endorse Mr. James Sullivan's confirmation to join the Environmental Council.

I have known James for many years. He is an exceptional engineer and construction specialist. His passion is for design and construction of sustainable buildings. He has worked in both the public and private sectors, including over a decade in Hawaii.

He will bring a well founded and sophisticated perspective to the Environmental Council. He will be a valuable addition to the Council.

Best regards,

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March 24, 2008

Chair Ron Menor
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Hawaii State Capitol, Room 208
415 South Beretania Street
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Re: Letter of Recommendation for James Sullivan
Regarding GM No. 476 Nomination to the Environmental Council

Dear Senator Menor:

This is a letter of recommendation for James Sullivan as a nominee to the Environmental Council. He has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Chateau Waikiki condominium for close to four years and is well respected by his fellow directors. His opinions are often sought after on structural and mechanical items on our agenda before final decisions are reached.

Mr. Sullivan is a bright, hard-working individual and completely committed to the state of our environment here in Hawaii. As a degreed Mechanical Engineer with 15 years experience on construction projects in Hawaii and a Green Building Professional Accreditation, he would be a valuable asset to the Environmental Council.

I wholeheartedly recommend Mr. James Sullivan to be a member of the Environmental Council.

Sincerely,



Barbara J. Kalama
President
Board of Directors
Chateau Waikiki

Presentation Before the Senate Committee on Energy and Environment

April 3, 2008

James Sullivan

GM No. 476 Nomination to the Environmental Council

Chair Menor, members of the Senate Committee on Energy and Environment, thank you for this opportunity to present background about myself in your consideration of my confirmation to the Environmental Council.

I was born in Hammond, Indiana and grew up in a small town called Black Oak near the shores of Lake Michigan. As with many of my classmates, I grew up in a family that had migrated from the farms of the southern states to the north in search of factory jobs and a better life. I attended public schools and graduated from Calumet High School. After four years in the Army, I attended and graduated from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering specializing in Heating, Ventilating, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration and Solar Energy Systems Design.

I moved to Hawai'i in 1991 and shortly thereafter began my career in construction. I have helped build Wastewater Treatment Plants, Pumping Stations and Water Treatment Plants on Kauai, O'ahu, Maui and Kailua Kona, Hawai'i. Additionally, I have helped manage the construction of a residential park that was an eyesore of a parking lot, office buildings and residential housing developments on our military bases. For the past year I have been working full-time on sustainability and focusing on energy, water and waste issues as they relate to the design, construction and operation of military residential communities on O'ahu. I am a LEED® Accredited Professional by the US Green Building Council and actively participate on several LEED projects as both consult and active team member. In addition to my professional life, I am on my second three year term as a Director on the Chateau Waikiki AOA Board of Directors and have been an active member for many years at a local church.

A position on the Environmental Council would give me the opportunity to express my commitment to environmental issues that we face in an island state – limited land, fresh water, ocean resources and cultural expression; as well as the future development of renewable energies, alternative fuels and agriculture. Additionally, the issues of rail transit, landfill, biofuel production, housing development, and the rejuvenation of an aging infrastructure, just to name a few, will require sound and equitable policy to ensure that the environment is respected and improved for future generations to use and enjoy.

I was hanai'd on Kauai and introduced to the concepts of malama ka `aina and respect for the generations that have preceded and will follow. Along with this privilege came a responsibility to kokua or give without reservation. To serve on the Environmental

Council would give me the opportunity to kokua this land and future generations.

The social, economic and environmental sustainability of our island state is more than the latest catch phrase; rather, it is a responsibility that I choose to accept. Along with my penchant for detail, background of working on boards and with all levels of management, education and experience in Engineering, Construction and Sustainability I think that I bring a unique balanced perspective.

I humbly ask this Senate Committee to confirm my nomination to the Environmental Council.

Mahalo.