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**TO: Honorable Hermina M. Horita, Chair
House Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection**

**FROM: Gladys C. Baisa
Council Member**

DATE: March 31, 2009

**SUBJECT: HEARING OF MARCH 31, 2009; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HCR 266,
REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO
AUTHORIZE GRAY WATER RECYCLING SYSTEMS FOR RESIDENTIAL
PREMISES UNDER APPROPRIATE CIRCUMSTANCES**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this important measure. The purpose of this measure is to establish programs regulated by the Department of Health for the recycling of gray water from residential units for the purpose of irrigating lawns and gardens.

I support this measure for the following reasons:

1. Gray water recycling calls for the conservation of natural resources.
2. It will help with the serious lack of water.
3. The use of gray water recycling will help alleviate some of the demand for water for the purposes of irrigation.

For the foregoing reasons, I support this measure.

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