

GM 788 Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Environmental Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, GLENN TEVES Senate Committee on Energy and Environment

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The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) <u>SUPPORTS</u> the nomination of Glenn Teves to the Environmental Council.

Through his professional and public service, Mr. Teves has demonstrated his commitment to and expertise on environmental issues. Mr. Teves has embraced environmental values as a farmer, a County Extension Agent for the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, and farm coordinator for the Mamalahoa Project in Waimānalo. Mr. Teves' has demonstrated his commitment to environmental issues through his scholarship on taro and lei plants and his presentations on 'Ōlelo Community Television and KHET, and at the University of Hawai'i. Mr. Teves has also demonstrated a sensitivity to Native Hawaiian rights in addressing environmental issues.

In sum, Mr. Teves' background and leadership in environmental issues specific to Hawai'i will serve him well as a council member. Therefore, OHA urges the committee to PASS GM 788. Mahalo nui loa for the opportunity to provide testimony.