

**GM 863**

Late  
Testimony



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CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT AND  
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April 12, 2012

The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara  
Chair – Senate Committee on Agriculture  
Hawaii State Capitol- Rm. 204  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

**RE: GM 863 – In support of Gubernatorial nominee PATRICK KOBAYASHI for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Agribusiness Development Corporation for a term to expire 6-30-2016.**

**Senate Committee on Agriculture; Thursday, April 12, 2012; Conference Room 229**

Dear Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Kahele and Committee Members:

I am Peter Ho, chairman, president and CEO of Bank of Hawaii, and am writing in strong support of Mr. Patrick Kobayashi's confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Agribusiness Development Corporation.

I have known Mr. Kobayashi professionally and personally for many years. He is a dedicated professional who provides excellent leadership to his colleagues, clients and communities. He has tremendous real estate experience and is well versed in land issues. As president and CEO of Kobayashi Group, he conducts his business with the highest integrity and is well respected within the business community.

He manages to balance work with a commitment to community through the American Red Cross-Hawaii Chapter, PBS and Honolulu Liquor Commission. His ability to operate in public/private partnership environments will be beneficial to the ADC.

I have every confidence that Mr. Kobayashi will be a great asset and bring valuable leadership and perspective to the board. He has made a positive difference in the lives of many people in our community and he will continue to do so as a member of the ADC Board.

I respectfully encourage your committee to confirm Mr. Kobayashi's nomination. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Peter S. Ho'.