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The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
Chairperson, Senate Tourism Committee  
Room 210  
State Capitol  
Honolulu, Hi. 96813

RE: Appointees to the Tourism Authority

This letter is in support of Jack Corteway, Lorrie Stone, Aaron Sala, Victor Kimura, and Michael Kobayashi to the Hawaii Tourism Authority. I have had the privilege of working with these individuals over the years and am confident that they will do a credible job in protecting and promoting our tourism industry.

Hawaii tourism is very important to our state's economic success. My sincere best wishes to the Hawaii Tourism Authority, under the leadership of Mike McCartney. They have a challenging job ahead of them.

Aloha Ke Akua,



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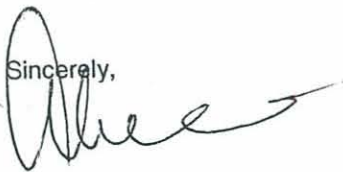
Re: Letter of Recommendation for Mr. Michael Kobayashi

Dear Senator Kim:

As a business partner in the travel industry, I have had the privilege of working together with Mr. Michael Kobayashi for over 15 years. Mike's dedication, experience, understanding and of the travel industry, especially the Japanese market, will be a great asset to the Hawaii Tourism Authority.

I strongly support Mr. Kobayashi's nomination as a board member of the Hawaii Tourism Authority based upon his knowledge and commitment to the tourism industry.

Sincerely,



**Abrar Uppal**

Executive Vice President & General Manager

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