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Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, LANCE INOUYE, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

TESTIMONY
OF
LANCE M INOUYE
TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
WATER, LAND, & HOUSING
ON
April 17, 2012, 2:00 pm

G.M. 920

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission,
Gubernatorial Nominee, LANCE M INOUYE, for a term to expire June 30, 2016.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon, and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to be here today.

I want to first thank Governor Neil Abercrombie for submitting my name for consideration as a commissioner of the Land Use Commission (LUC). It is truly and honor and a privilege for me.

I would also like to thank those friends and colleagues who have submitted letters of support and have appeared in person to support my nomination.

Except for a span of 10 years attending college and serving in the Navy, I have lived in Hawaii all of my life. I enjoyed the first 6 years of my life in the pineapple plantation town of Kunia, where my dad and my grandparents raised me. The rest of the time, I enjoyed living in Hawaii with its tropical climate, its natural beauty, its unique Hawaiian culture, and the changing diversity of its people. Throughout the changes, what seems to have remained constant is the mutual respect between people of different cultures and beliefs and the spirit of *Aloha*.

With this mutual respect and *Aloha* spirit in mind, I believe that it is most important for an LUC commissioner to be a fair, respectful and impartial decision maker in a quasi-judicial process. The commissioners are charged with making critical decisions on how best to protect and use Hawaii's land and its limited natural resources for the good of all its inhabitants, including its Hawaiian environment, flora, fauna, historic properties and cultural practices. We are guided by past and present visionaries, our cultural heritage and customs that make our State unique, as well as specific decision-making criteria listed in our statutes.

Of my qualifications for this nomination, I view as most important, the over 20 years of experience as an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association (AAA) and as a volunteer arbitrator on the Court Annexed Arbitration Panel (CAAP). I believe the AAA process and ethics are similar to how the LUC proceedings are conducted. I have also been an attorney for over 30 years, licensed to practice in the Hawaii courts and the Federal 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. With this background, I bring an understanding of the quasi-judicial process that the LUC is charged to conduct.

I also realize how important and unique Hawaii and its history may be. I am proud to say that our company, Ralph S Inouye Co, Ltd., has been sensitive to that history, having completed two projects of historical significance: 1) the restoration of the Krauss Hall at the University of Hawaii and 2) the renovation and expansion of Roosevelt High School Auditorium. These projects have been honored with multiple awards, including for their design, historical preservation, and/or their excellence.

My vision for service on the LUC is to make the most informed decisions on land use petitions brought before the commission with the long term policy implications

firmly in mind. I know some decisions will be tough to make. But I will objectively and impartially listen to and review information presented by the petitioners, State and County agencies, intervenors and members of the public appearing before the LUC, before making my decision. I will also keep in mind the policy decision-making criteria we are to follow. In short, I will try to be fair, respectful and conscientious in the task before the commission.

In closing, I would like to thank this Committee for giving me the opportunity to be here today. Thank you for considering my nomination. I would also like to thank all those who took the time to submit testimony on my behalf and those appearing in person.

I would be happy to answer any questions the Committee may have.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE Governor

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April 16, 2012

Statement of

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Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism

before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING

Tuesday, April 17, 2012 2:00 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 224 in consideration of

GM 920

CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION OF LANCE INOUYE

To the Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair, and the Honorable Malama Soloman, Vice Chair, and Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing.

My name is Dan Davidson, and I am the Executive Officer of the Land Use Commission ("LUC"). I am here to respectfully request that this Committee favorably consider the nomination of Mr. Lance Inouye to serve as Commissioner for a four-year term as an At-Large member ending on June 30, 2016.

Mr. Inouye's resume illustrates his accomplishments as an engineer, an attorney, and as an executive of a contracting firm in the community. It is clear that Mr. Inouye will bring an important perspective to the Land Use Commission.

For these reasons, we respectfully ask for your favorable consideration of Mr. Inouye's nomination to serve as Commissioner on the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify before this Committee.



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April 16, 2012

Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz Chair, Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing Twenty-Sixth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 202 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Dela Cruz:

Subject: Governor's Message No. 920

Mr. Lance Inouye's Confirmation for Land Use Commission Member Term to Expire June 30, 2016

I am writing in support of Mr. Lance Inouye's confirmation as a member of the State Land Use Commission. Lance has a broad-based background in both the legal and construction industries and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience needed to make decisions for the State of Hawaii.

I highly recommend his confirmation.

Yours very truly,

JADINE (Y. URASAKI, P.E., LEED AP

Deputy Director of Transportation



April 15, 2012

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Malama Solomon, Vice Chair Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing

Re: Governor's Message No. 920 - Consideration and Confirmation of Lance Inouve Gubernatorial Nominee to the Land Use Commission

Tuesday, April 17 2012, 2:00 p.m., in Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Dave Arakawa, and I am the Executive Director of the Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii ("LURF"), a private, non-profit research and trade association whose members include major Hawaii landowners, developers and a utility company. LURF is an advocate for reasonable, rational and equitable land use planning, legislation and regulations that encourage well-planned economic growth and development, while safeguarding Hawaii's significant natural and cultural resources, and public health and safety.

I am writing to strongly support the nomination of Mr. Lance Inouye to the Land Use Commission ("Commission").

The Commission is responsible for administering the state-wide land use designation law; preserving and protecting Hawaii's lands and encouraging those uses to which lands are best suited; and ensuring that areas of state concern are addressed and considered in the Commission's land use decision-making process.

Mr. Inouye is well qualified to serve on the Commission based on his extensive experience exercising fair and impartial review of competing interests as an arbitrator; his legal training and knowledge; and his engineering background and familiarity with working on restoration of historic buildings and other projects by Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd., of which he is President.

Probably the most important part of Mr. Inouye's background is his over twenty years of experience as an arbitrator on the American Arbitration Association Panel as well as his service as a volunteer arbitrator for the Hawaii Court Annexed Arbitration Panel ("CAAP"). The skills he has developed will allow him to make his decisions objectively and impartially, after listening to and reviewing information presented by the petitioners, State and County agencies, any intervenors and members of the public appearing before the Commission.

Also, for over thirty years, Mr. Inouye has been licensed to practice law in the Hawaii State courts and the Federal 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. With his legal training, practice as a former

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Deputy Attorney General of the State of Hawaii, and private in-house counsel, he will be able to analyze the legal issues and arguments raised by various parties; as well as understand the quasi-judicial process that the Commission is charged to conduct.

Through his engineering background and work as a general contractor, Mr. Inouye has had the experience of dealing with environmental rules and regulations relating to construction, as well as the preservation and restoration of historic buildings (Krauss Hall-John Young Museum and Roosevelt High School Auditorium) and other public service construction projects (New Shriners Hospital for Children, Honolulu Zoo's Animal Encounter Discovery Center for Children and the Kalihi YMCA facility).

Over the years, Mr. Inouye has established a reputation of being fair, respectful and conscientious. These qualities would serve him well in making wise, impartial and well-reasoned decisions on matters brought before the Commission.

I wholeheartedly recommend, and respectfully urge your favorable consideration of the nomination of Mr. Lance Inouye as a member of the Commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this nomination.



Testimony of John White Executive Director The Pacific Resource Partnership

Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Malama Solomon, Vice Chair

GM 920 – Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, Lance Inouye

Tuesday, April 17, 2012 2:00 PM Conference Room 225

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name is John White, Executive Director of the Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP), a labor-management consortium representing over 240 signatory contractors and the Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters, formerly the Hawaii Carpenters Union.

PRP supports Gubernatorial Nominee, Lance Inouye, as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Mr. Inouye has lived in Hawaii all of his life except for a span of 10 years to attend college and to serve in the Navy. He enjoys living in Hawaii with its tropical climate, natural beauty, unique Hawaiian culture, and the changing diversity of its people.

PRP believes Mr. Inouye to be a fair and impartial decision maker in a quasi-judicial process. He understands the role of the commissioners in making critical decisions on how best to protect and use Hawaii's land and its limited natural resources for the good of all its inhabitants, including its Hawaiian environment, flora, fauna, historic properties and cultural practices. He also understands our cultural heritage and customs that make our State unique, as well as specific decision-making criteria listed in our statutes.

Mr. Inouye has extensive experiences exercising fair and impartial review of competing interests as an arbitrator for over 20 years as an arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association (AAA) and as a volunteer arbitrator on the Court Annexed Arbitration Panel (CAAP). He has also been an attorney for over 30 years, licensed to practice in the Hawaii courts and the Federal 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. Through Mr. Inouye's engineering education and work in the construction industry, he's experienced award winning historic renovations and other public service projects.

Mr. Inouye's well diverse background and vast range of experiences make him highly qualified for this position. Thank you for the opportunity to express our support for Lance Inouye, to serve on the Land Use Commission.



<u>Via E-mail</u>: <u>WLHTestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov</u> <u>Via Fax</u>: 808-586-6091

April 13, 2012

TO: HONORABLE SENATORS DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR,

MALAMA SOLOMON, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND AND HOUSING

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND AND HOUSING

STRONG SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 920: LANCE INOUYE, Gubernatorial Nominee, Land Use Commission, for a term to expire 6-30-

2016.

Re:

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 17, 2012

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name is Glen Kaneshige, and I represent Nordic PCL Construction, Inc. writing in strong
support of Governor's Message 920, gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC).

Lance is very dedicated and passionate in his work and always presents himself in a fair and professional manner. Lance's passion and attention to detail is reflected in the work completed by his company Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd., where he serves as President and CEO. Lance's legal and professional background makes him an exceptional candidate to serve on the Land Use Commission. He will bring a very unique perspective to the Commission with his legal, executive and management expertise. The Commission will benefit from Lance's passion, articulate nature and clear understanding of the law and the role of the Commission.

The Land Use Commission is tasked with the very important role of ensuring the preservation and protection of Hawaii's lands and encouraging appropriate uses for particular lands. The role of the Commission is to ensure that areas of state concern are addressed in the land use decision-making process. The Commission establishes the district boundaries for the entire State and must decide on petitions for boundary changes proposed by private landowners, developers and State and county agencies.

Nordic PCL Construction, Inc. <u>strongly supports</u> GM 920 gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC). We respectfully request this Committee to confirm his appointment.

Very truly yours,

Glen Kaneshige, President



Via E-mail: WLHTestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov Via Fax: 808-586-6091

April 17, 2012

TO: HONORABLE SENATORS DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR, MALAMA SOLOMON, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR.

Re: STRONG SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 920: LANCE INOUYE, Gubernatorial Nominee, Land Use Commission, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 17, 2012

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name is James Kurita and I represent LYZ, Inc. writing in strong support of Governor's Message 920, gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC).

Lance is very dedicated and passionate in his work and always presents himself in a fair and professional manner. Lance's passion and attention to detail is reflected in the work completed by his company Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd., where he serves as President and CEO. Lance's legal and professional background makes him an exceptional candidate to serve on the Land Use Commission. He will bring a very unique perspective to the Commission with his legal, executive and management expertise. The Commission will benefit from Lance's passion, articulate nature and clear understanding of the law and the role of the Commission.

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<u>LYZ, Inc. strongly supports</u> GM 920 gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC). We respectfully request this Committee to confirm his appointment.

Very truly yours,

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April 17, 2012

TO: HONORABLE SENATORS DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR, MALAMA SOLOMON, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND AND HOUSING

Re: STRONG SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 920: LANCE INOUYE, Gubernatorial Nominee, Land Use Commission, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 17, 2012

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz. Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name is Richard Heltzel and I represent Healy Tibbitts Builders, Inc. writing in <u>strong support</u> of Governor's Message 920, gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC).

Lance is very dedicated and passionate in his work and always presents himself in a fair and professional manner. Lance's passion and attention to detail is reflected in the work completed by his company Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd., where he serves as President and CEO. Lance's legal and professional background makes him an exceptional candidate to serve on the Land Use Commission. He will bring a very unique perspective to the Commission with his legal, executive and management expertise. The Commission will benefit from Lance's passion, articulate nature and clear understanding of the law and the role of the Commission.

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Healy Tibbitts Builders, Inc. <u>strongly supports</u> GM 920 gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC). We respectfully request this Committee to confirm his appointment.

Very truly yours,

Healy Tibbitts Builders, Inc.

Richard A. Heltzel

President



From:

Bill Lindemann [billl@lcihawaii.com]

Sent:

Friday, April 13, 2012 3:21 PM

To:

WLH Testimony

Subject:

Support of Lance Inouye

Please see attached testimony tha<mark>t strongly supports t</mark>he appointment of Lance Inouye to the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for your consideration.

Bill Lindemann

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April 17, 2012

TO: HONORABLE SENATORS DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR,

MALAMA SOLOMON, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING

Re: STRONG SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 920: LANCE INOUYE, Gubernatorial

Nominee, Land Use Commission, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

HEARING

DATE:

Tuesday, April 17, 2012

TIME:

2:00 P.M.

PLACE:

Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name Glenn Nohara, president of Genba Hawaii, Inc. and I am writing in <u>strong support</u> of Governor's Message 920, gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC).

Lance is very dedicated and passionate in his work and always presents himself in a fair and professional manner. Lance's passion and attention to detail is reflected in the work completed by his company Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd., where he serves as President and CEO. Lance's legal and professional background makes him an exceptional candidate to serve on the Land Use Commission. He will bring a very unique perspective to the Commission with his legal, executive and management expertise. The Commission will benefit from Lance's passion, articulate nature and clear understanding of the law and the role of the Commission.

I have known Mr. Inouye for many years through business relations, serving together on industry boards and committees, and union trust funds. I can personally attest to his high moral standards and his steadfastness in always doing the right thing.

The Land Use Commission is tasked with the very important role of ensuring the preservation and protection of Hawaii's lands and encouraging appropriate uses for particular lands. The role of the Commission is to ensure that areas of state concern are addressed in the land use decision-making process.

I <u>strongly support</u> GM 920 gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of the Land Use Commission (LUC) and respectfully request this Committee to confirm his appointment.

Yours truly,

Glenn M. Nohara Genba Hawaii, Inc.

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Testimony to the Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing Tuesday, April 17, 2012 2:00 pm State Capitol - Conference Room 224

RE: GOVERNORS MESSAGE NO. 920 GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE MR. LANCE INOUYE

TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION

Chair Dela Cruz and Vice Chair Solomon, and members of the committee:

The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii strongly supports the nomination and confirmation of Mr. Inouye the Land Use Commission. The Chamber is the largest business organization in Hawaii, representing more than 1,000 businesses. Approximately 80% of our members are small businesses with less than 20 employees. As the "Voice of Business" in Hawaii, the organization works on behalf of its members, which employ more than 200,000 individuals, to improve the state's economic climate and to foster positive action on issues of common concern.

Mr. Inouye brings a wealth of experience, both from the public and private sector, to the Land Use Commission. He understands governments' role in the classification and/or reclassification of lands to accommodate future needs within the State of Hawaii. He brings a much needed business perspective to the Commission as the President of Ralph Inouye Company, Limited.

As a former Deputy Attorney General and attorney in private practice, Mr. Inouye is familiar with the Administrative procedures, and will be able to interpret the Rules and Statutes that govern the State Land Use Commission. He is versed in a wide range of subjects and issues having worked on the Legislative Committee of the General Contractor Association of Hawaii for over ten (10) years.

Finally, Mr. Inouye has shown that he is balanced and fair in his approach to resolving situations as an arbitrator and successful businessman. We believe that Mr. Inouye's extensive and diverse experience and knowledge makes him extremely well qualified to serve on the State Land Use Commission.

Thank you for this opportunity to express our views.



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April 13, 2012

THE SENATE THE TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2012

COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Malama Solomon, Vice Chair

GM 920 - Nomination of Lance Inouye to State of Hawaii Land Use Commission Tuesday, April 17, 2012, 2:00 p.m., Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing:

I am writing in <u>strong support</u> of the nomination of Mr. Lance Inouye to the State of Hawaii Land Use Commission. I have had the privilege of working with Mr. Inouye on various issues and know him to be a person of the highest integrity and capability. He is very intelligent, deliberate, and respectful, all qualities which would serve the State of Hawaii well if Mr. Inouye is appointed to the Land Use Commission. He is also uniquely qualified because he is an engineer and lawyer, and has worked in the construction industry for many years. I respectfully request the Committee to vote in favor of Mr. Inouye's nomination.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

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Testimony of Maurice Morita
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SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING Tuesday, April 17, 2012 2:00 p.m., Conference Room 224

GM 920 - LANCE INOUYE, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Maurice Morita and I am the assistant director of Hawaii LECET (Laborers-Employers Cooperation and Education Trust). Hawaii LECET is a partnership between the Hawaii Laborers' Union, Local 368 and our union contractors.

The Hawaii LECET is in "strong support" of GM 920 Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, LANCE INOUYE, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

Hawaii LECET believes LANCE INOUYE will be an asset to the Land Use Commission. Lance Inouye is an outstanding citizen and would serve well with his knowledge and experience.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

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TO:

Senator Donovan Dela Cruz

Chair, Committee on Water, Land, and Housing

Hawaii State Capitol, Room 202

Via Email: WLHtestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

FROM:

Mihoko E. Ito

DATE:

April 16, 2012

RE:

GM 920 - Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, LANCE INOUYE, for a term to expire

6-30-2016.

Hearing date & time: Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Committee on Water, Land, and Housing:

I am pleased to submit this testimony in **strong support** of GM 920, for the consideration and confirmation of Lance Inouye to the Hawaii Land Use Commission.

Mr. Inouye has both a legal and engineering background. He is a licensed attorney, and has worked for the State of Hawaii Attorney General and in private practice. He is the current president and CEO of Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd. He has been active with General Contractors Association for the last 10 years, and currently serves on its legislative committee. He has served for over twenty years as an arbitrator on the AAA panel and as a CAAP arbitrator.

Mr. Inouye and I currently serve together on the board of the Hawaii Procurement Institute. I find him to be a person of great character and integrity. He contributes to the board discussions, provides valuable input, and respects the viewpoints of others. He has a very positive demeanor and temperament, and it has been a pleasure to serve with him on the board.

Given Mr. Inouye's wide range of experiences and his strength of character, I would recommend him without hesitation to serve on the Land Use Commission.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to testify.

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April 17, 2012

TO: HONORABLE SENATORS DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR, MALAMA

SOLOMON, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON

WATER, LAND AND HOUSING

Re: STRONG SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 920: LANCE INOUYE,

Gubernatorial Nominee, Land Use Commission, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 17, 2012

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name is John Romanowski and I am the President of the General Contractors Association of Hawaii (GCA). The GCA is an organization comprised of over six hundred (600) general contractors, subcontractors, and construction related firms. The GCA was established in 1932 and is celebrating its 80th anniversary this year; GCA remains the largest construction association in the State of Hawaii whose mission is to represent its members in all matters related to the construction industry, while improving the quality of construction and protecting the public interest.

GCA is in <u>strong support</u> of Governor's Message 920, gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC). Lance's professional background is exceptional and is testament to his strong leadership abilities and commitment to serving others. Lance's diverse legal and professional background ranges from serving as a deputy attorney general, volunteering as an arbitrator and serving as president and chief executive officer of Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd. Lance's commitment to serving the community is evident by his involvement in a number of charitable organizations, committees and focus groups.

Lance is an exemplary member of the GCA and has dedicated many volunteer hours and brain equity to the organization and its members. His passion for learning is evident by his numerous professional accomplishments and recognitions. Lance has served in a number of leadership positions within GCA including President, Member of Board of Directors, and Committee Chair and Mentor. Lance is well-qualified to serve on the Land Use Commission because of his attention to detail, fair and balanced approach, and his legal and executive experience.

Members of the Land Use Commission are tasked with a very important role of preserving and protecting Hawaii's lands and encouraging appropriate uses for particular lands. The role of the Commission is to ensure that areas of state concern are addressed in the land use decision-making process. The Commission establishes the district boundaries for the entire State and must decide on petitions for boundary changes proposed by private landowners, developers and State and county agencies.

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Lance will bring a fair and fresh perspective to the Commission and will ensure careful attention to any petition brought before the body.

GCA <u>strongly supports</u> GM 920 and the appointment of Lance Inouye to the Land Use Commission. We respectfully request this Committee to confirm his appointment.

Very truly yours,

John Romanowski

President

Testimony In Support of
GM920 Lance Inouye
By
Peter Ganaban, Business Manager,
Secretary Treasurer
Hawaii Laborers' Union

To
The Committee on Water, Land and Housing
Tuesday, April 17, 2012
2:00 p.m. Rm. 224

Senator Donovan Delacruz, Chair; Senator Malama Solomon, Vice chair; and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii Laborers' Union strongly supports the nomination of Mr. Lance Inouye, GM920 to the Land Use Commission.

We have been fortunate to have worked with Mr. Lance Inouye and Ralph S. Inouye Company for many years. We attest to his integrity and fairness in dealing with complex issues. He is a valued member of the community whose leadership and advice is sought.

Mr. Inouye is a very humble person. He is also very respectful of the different opinions of others as we have observed throughout the years. Mr. Inouye's legal background and professional business executive experience will be an asset to the LUC. We respectfully request the Committee to confirm his appointment to the LUC.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.



April 17, 2012

TO: HONORABLE SENATORS DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR, MALAMA SOLOMON, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND AND HOUSING

Re: STRONG SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 920: LANCE INOUYE, Gubernatorial Nominee, Land Use Commission, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 17, 2012 TIME: 2:00 P.M. PLACE: Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name is JAMES T. ODO and I represent TOMCO CORP, writing in strong support of Governor's Message 920, gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inquye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC).

Lance is very dedicated and passionate in his work and always presents himself in a fair and professional manner. Lance's passion and attention to detail is reflected in the work completed by his company Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd., where he serves as President and CEO. Lance's legal and professional background makes him an exceptional candidate to serve on the Land Use Commission. He will bring a very unique perspective to the Commission with his legal, executive and management expertise. The Commission will benefit from Lance's passion, articulate nature and clear understanding of the law and the role of the Commission.

I have personally worked with Lance as a Board Member of the General Contractors' Association of Hawaii. His tenure as Board Member and Officer of the GCA is a reflection of the respect earned from Our Industry.

The Land Use Commission is tasked with the very important role of ensuring the preservation and protection of Hawaii's lands and encouraging appropriate uses for particular lands. The role of the Commission is to ensure that areas of state concern are addressed in the land use decision-making process. The Commission establishes the district boundaries for the entire State and must decide on petitions for boundary changes proposed by private landowners, developers and State and county agencies.

> 500 Ala Kawa St., Suite #100A Honolulu, Hawaii 96817 Telephone #: (808) 845-0755 Fax #: (808) 845-1021 Lic# ABC 16941

TOMCO CORP. <u>strongly supports</u> GM 920 gubernatorial nomination of Lance Induye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC). We respectfully request this Committee to confirm his appointment.

Very truly yours,

JAME T. ODO, VICE PRESIDENT



S&M SAKAMOTO, INC.

GENERAL CONTRACTORS

Via E-mail: WLHTestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov Via Fax: 808-586-6091

April 17, 2012

TO: HONORABLE SENATORS DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR, MALAMA SOLOMON, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER. LAND AND HOUSING

Re: STRONG SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 920: LANCE INOUYE, Gubernatorial Nominee, Land Use Commission, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 17, 2012

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name is Gerard Sakamoto and I represent S & M Sakamoto, Inc. writing in <u>strong</u> <u>support</u> of <u>Governor's Message 920</u>, gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC).

Lance is very dedicated and passionate in his work and always presents himself in a fair and professional manner. Lance's passion and attention to detail is reflected in the work completed by his company Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd., where he serves as President and CEO. Lance's legal and professional background makes him an exceptional candidate to serve on the Land Use Commission. He will bring a very unique perspective to the Commission with his legal, executive and management expertise. The Commission will benefit from Lance's passion, articulate nature and clear understanding of the law and the role of the Commission.

I have personally known Lance for many years and can vouch for his honesty, integrity, work ethic and strong sense of community.

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S & M Sakamoto, Inc. <u>strongly supports</u> GM 920 gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC). We respectfully request this Committee to confirm his appointment.

Very truly yours,

Gerard Sakamoto, President



April 17, 2012

TO: HONORABLE SENATORS DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR,

MALAMA SOLOMON, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND AND HOUSING

Re: STRONG SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 920: LANCE INOUYE,

Gubernatorial Nominee, Land Use Commission, for a term to expire 6-30-

2016.

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 17, 2012

TIME: 2:00 PM

PLACE: Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name is Ronald K. Oshiro and I represent Rons Construction Corporation writing in <u>strong support</u> of Governor's Message 920, gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC).

Lance is very dedicated and passionate in his work and always presents himself in a fair and professional manner. Lance's passion and attention to detail is reflected in the work completed by his company Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd., where he serves as President and CEO. Lance's legal and professional background makes him an exceptional candidate to serve on the Land Use Commission. He will bring a very unique perspective to the Commission with his legal, executive and management expertise. The Commission will benefit from Lance's passion, articulate nature and clear understanding of the law and the role of the Commission.

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Rons Construction Corporation <u>strongly supports</u> GM 920 gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC). We respectfully request this Committee to confirm his appointment.

Very truly yours,

RMULL Ohio

Ronald K. Oshiro, President Rons Construction Corporation

April 17, 2012

TO: HONORABLE SENATORS DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR, MALAMA SOLOMON, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER. LAND AND HOUSING



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Re: STRONG SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 920: LANCE INOUYE, Gubernatorial Nominee, Land Use Commission, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 17, 2012

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

I am writing in support of Mr. Lance Inouye to serve as a member of the Land Use Commission.

In over 20 years of business association, Lance Inouye has always impressed me as a person of integrity, wisdom, & fairness.

He is willing to listen and consider all aspects of an issue and render a thoughtful decision based on facts.

He is an active participant in committee and serve well as a group leader when required.

Lance Inouye has the ability and character to serve the people of Hawaii as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Very truly yours,

Leonard K.P. Leo

Vice President

MASONS UNION

Local 1 HI, IUBAC, Local 630, OPCMIA, AFL-CIO 2251 North School Street - Honolulu, HI 96819 Ph: (808) 841-0491 - Fax: (808) 847-4782

<u>Via E-mail</u>: <u>WLHTestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov</u> <u>Via Fax</u>: 808-586-6091

April 17, 2012

TO: HONORABLE SENATORS DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR, MALAMA SOLOMON, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND AND HOUSING

Re: STRONG SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 920: LANCE INOUYE, Gubernatorial Nominee, Land Use Commission, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 17, 2012

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name is Nolan G. Moriwaki and I represent the Masons Union, Local 1 HI and Local 630 writing in strong support of Governor's Message 920, gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC).

Lance is very dedicated and passionate in his work and always presents himself in a fair and professional manner. Lance's passion and attention to detail is reflected in the work completed by his company Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd., where he serves as President and CEO. Lance's legal and professional background makes him an exceptional candidate to serve on the Land Use Commission. He will bring a very unique perspective to the Commission with his legal, executive and management expertise. The Commission will benefit from Lance's passion, articulate nature and clear understanding of the law and the role of the Commission.

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The Masons Union, Local 1 HI, IUBAC and Local 630, OPCMIA <u>strongly supports</u> GM 920 gubernatorial nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission (LUC).

We respectfully request this Committee to confirm his appointment.

Very truly yours,

Nolan G. Moriwaki Financial Sec-Treas/ Business Manager



Testimony to the Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing
Tuesday, April 17, 2012
2:00 pm
State Capitol - Conference Room 224

RE: GOVERNORS MESSAGE NO. 920 GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, MR. LANCE INOUYE

TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Vice Chair Solomon, and members of the committee:

I am Gladys Quinto-Marrone, Director of Government Relations for the Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA-Hawaii). Chartered in 1955, the Building Industry Association of Hawaii is a professional trade organization affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders, representing the building industry and its associates. BIA-Hawaii takes a leadership role in unifying and promoting the interests of the industry to enhance the quality of life for the people of Hawaii.

BIA-HAWAII strongly supports GM 920, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, Mr. Lance Inouye, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

Mr. Inouye brings a wealth of experience, both from the public and private sectors, to the Land Use Commission. He understands governments' role in the classification and/or reclassification of lands to accommodate future needs within the State of Hawaii. He brings a much needed business perspective to the Commission as the President of Ralph Inouye Company, Limited.

As a former Deputy Attorney General and attorney in private practice, Mr. Inouye is familiar with the Administrative procedures, and will be able to interpret the Rules and Statutes that govern the State Land Use Commission. He is versed in a wide range of subjects and issues having worked on the Legislative Committee of the General Contractor Association of Hawaii for over ten (10) years.

Finally, Mr. Inouye has shown that he is balanced and fair in his approach to resolving situations as an arbitrator and successful businessman. We believe that Mr. Inouye's extensive and diverse experience and knowledge makes him extremely well qualified to serve on the State Land Use Commission.

Thank you for this opportunity to express our views.

Government Employees Insurance Company

GEICO General Insurance Company

GEICO Indemnity Company

■ GEICO Casualty Company

Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

Tuesday, April 17, 2012

GM 920 related to the Nomination of Lance Inouye

Chairman Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Solomon, and members of the Committee:

My name is Timothy Dayton, General Manager for GEICO. I am testifying in support of the

confirmation of Lance Inouye, nominee for the Land Use Commission. I have known Mr. Inouye since 2008.

We served together as volunteer members on the Capital Campaign Committee for Shriners Hospital in Honolulu.

I found Mr. Inouye to be a dedicated participant in the Committee's efforts to raise funding that was needed for

the recently completed Shriners Honolulu Hospital. He was consistently well prepared, knowledgeable, diligent

about making the meetings and a valued resource to the Committee. Based upon my experience with Mr. Inouye

I am pleased to recommend favorable consideration of his nomination as I am sure the Commission will be well

served by his knowledge, abilities and dedication.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

Timothy M. Dayton, CPCU

From: Sent: To:

Ricky [rtama@yahoo.com] Monday, April 16, 2012 2:04 PM WLH Testimony Support letter for Lance Inouye

Subject:

Ricky Tamashiro

Sent from my iPad



From: Sent: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov Monday, April 16, 2012 9:50 AM

To: Cc: WLH Testimony jmhoriuchi@gmail.com

Subject:

Testimony for GM920 on 4/17/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for WLH 4/17/2012 2:00:00 PM GM920

Conference room: 224

Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Jessica Horiuchi

Organization: Individual E-mail: <u>jmhoriuchi@gmail.com</u> Submitted on: 4/16/2012

Comments:

It has been my privilege to know Lance Inouye for several years, first as a citizen concerned about best practices in government contracting and then as a as a Board Member of the Hawaii Procurement Institute. Lance Inouye has a deep commitment to our State and I strongly support his nomination to the Land Use Commission.

Audrey Hidano 1620 Hau Street Honolulu, Hi 96817

BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2012 2:00 P.M. **ROOM 224**

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 920 SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, LANCE INOUYE. FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2016

Chair Dela Cruz and Vice Chair Solomon, and Members of the Committee:

I strongly support the confirmation of Lance Inouye to the Land Use Commission.

I have known Mr. Inouye for about 20 years through various construction activities. He has the experience, knowledge and perseverance necessary to serve as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Mr. Inouye has over 30 years of experience as an attorney and was a former Deputy Attorney General with the State of Hawaii. He also has 20 years of legal experience as an arbitrator which makes him an excellent selection since he can provide fair and impartial reviews.

Besides his legal experience, Mr. Inouye is also the President of Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd. and has an engineering background and construction experience in historic renovations and public service projects.

Thank you for your consideration of Mr. Inouye's confirmation to the Land Use Commission.

From:

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov

Sent:

Thursday, April 12, 2012 5:30 PM

To:

WLH Testimony helpsllc@gmail.com

Cc: Subject:

Testimony for GM920 on 4/17/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for WLH 4/17/2012 2:00:00 PM GM920

Conference room: 224

Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Henry Eng
Organization: Individual
E-mail: helpsllc@gmail.com
Submitted on: 4/12/2012

Comments:

Melissa Pavlicek c/o 841 Bishop Street, Suite 2100 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Malama Soloman, Jr., Vice Chair COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND AND HOUSING

Date:

April 17, 2012

Subject:

GM 920, Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, Lance

Inouye

Aloha kakou,

My name is Melissa Pavlicek and I am an attorney and small business owner in Honolulu. I have served as the president of Hawaii Women Lawyers, an officer of the Hawaii State Bar Association and as the chair of the bar association's diversity committee for more than five years. I am also a parent and a resident of Hawaii, committed to promoting sustainable economic development for Hawaii's future.

In my professional life, I have the pleasure of working with many outstanding individuals and organizations promoting education about and best practices in government contracting and procurement. Through this work, I have gotten to know Lance Inouye and to personally observe his intelligence, diligence and commitment. He it thoughtful, respectful and deeply cares about making Hawaii a better place. I have met with him many times and worked alongside him in connection with service as a non-profit board member for the Hawaii Procurement Institute. Lance will be conscientious in his service to the Land Use Commission and an asset to the people of the state of Hawaii if confirmed.

Please confirm his nomination.

April 13, 2012

TO: HONORABLE SENATORS DONOVAN DELA CRUZ, CHAIR, MALAMA SOLOMON, VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND AND HOUSING

Re: STRONG SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 920: LANCE INOUYE, Gubernatorial Nominee, Land Use Commission, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 17, 2012

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

My name is **Georgette Stevens** and am writing in strong support of the Governor's nomination of Lance Inouye to serve as a member of on the Land Use Commission.

Lance is very dedicated and passionate in his work and always presents himself in a fair and professional manner. Lance's passion and attention to detail is reflected in the work completed by his company Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd., where he serves as President and CEO. Lance's legal and professional background makes him an exceptional candidate to serve on the Land Use Commission. The Commission will benefit from Lance's passion, articulate nature and clear understanding of the law and the role of the Commission.

I have worked alongside Lance within the General Contractor's Association for the past 15 years in the efforts to ensure that legislation being proposed was either supported or opposed to ensure that the construction industry would benefit through those initiatives. The construction industry has suffered these past few years and it was through Lance's efforts and knowledge that helped to ensure limited negative exposure would fall upon this industry.

I respectfully request this Committee to confirm his appointment.

Very truly yours,

Georgette Stevens P O Box 75414 Kapolei, HI 96707 Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz Chair Honorable Malama Solomon, Vice Chair April 17, 2012 Page 2

Diane M. Kimura 869 Puuikena Drive Honolulu, HI 96821

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April 13, 2012

The Honorable Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senate Committee on Water, Land, & Housing State Capital 415 South Beretania Street, Room 22 Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Lance M. Inouye, Nominee, State Land Use Commission

Dear Chair Dela Cruz,

The Land Use Commission is tasked with the important role of the stewardship, sustainability and preservation of our lands for our community and I believe that Lance Inouye would be a superb Land Use Commissioner.

My professional and personal relationship with Lance beginning in 2007 as fellow members of the Capital Campaign committee for the Shriners Hospital for Children in Hawaii where we were tasked with raising \$14myn to rebuild the hospital. Lance service was exemplary and I have seen firsthand, his caring passion, business skills and leadership abilities.

His extensive resume includes diverse legal experiences as an arbitrator, his service on many boards, outstanding community service as well as his experience as the President of RS Inouye. . His expertise in land use issues as a contractor and an attorney make him uniquely qualified for the position

I respectfully submit my strong support of Lance Inouye to the State Land Use Commission who I believe would be a benefit to our entire State.

Sincerely,

Diane M. Kimura

THE HONORABLE DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, CHAIR Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

April 12, 2012

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 920

Relating to the appointment of Lance Inouye to the Land Use Commission
April 17, 2012 2:00 pm
Conference Room 224
submitted by
Joe Blanco

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon, and members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land, and Housing:

I write in <u>strong support</u> of Governor Abercrombie's nomination of Lance Inouye to the Land Use Commission.

For five-plus decades, the LUC has been at the forefront in helping foster responsible land use management and growth policies throughout the state. Guided by a long-term sustainable perspective, the LUC plays a critical role in preserving prime agricultural and conservation-designated lands. Land use also influences the state's long-term economic viability and the LUC must responsibly balance the need for urban-classified lands.

Lance and I have known each other professionally for over a decade. The family business, which Lance now heads, continues to play an integral role in the growth and development of Hawaii since its founding in 1962. His formal legal training, stellar record of community service, and respected reputation for fairness, openness, and balance, makes him an ideal nominee to serve on the Land Use Commission. Base on the civic-minded spirit that is a founding tenet of his family company, Lance will strongly advocate for responsible land use management and growth policies throughout the state.

Towards that end, I respectfully urge the Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing to advise and consent to Mr. Inouye's nomination to serve on the State Land Use Commission. I am confident he will serve Hawaii and the Commission with great honor and distinction.



From:

Karen Iwamoto [iwamotok004@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent:

Monday, April 16, 2012 11:00 PM

To:

WLH Testimony

Subject:

*****SPAM***** GM 920 Nomination and Confirmation of Lance Inouye to the Land Use

Commission

Chair DelaCruz and Members of the Committee on Water Land and Housing:

I am Karen Iwamoto, former Government Relations Director of the Building Industry Association of Hawaii. I offer my strong support to the nomination and confirmation of Lance Inouye to the Land Use Commission. I have worked with Mr. Inouye for many years, lobbying for or against bills affecting the construction industry.

Mr. Inouye is one of the most intelligent, diligent, and conscientious leaders in the construction industry. He also is a visionary who cares about the quality of life of future generations in our State. Mr. Inouye's impressive educational credentials and his varied work experiences make him an outstanding nominee for a seat on the Land Use Commission.

I ask for your favorable consideration of his nomination and confirmation to the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my views.

Karen Iwamoto



From:

mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov

Sent:

Monday, April 16, 2012 6:58 PM

To:

WLH Testimony

Cc:

reynwerkes@gmail.com

Subject:

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Testimony for WLH 4/17/2012 2:00:00 PM GM920

Conference room: 224

Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Dean Seki
Organization: Individual
E-mail: reynwerkes@gmail.com
Submitted on: 4/16/2012

Comments:

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon, and members of the Committee.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in strong support of Mr. Lance Inouye's confirmation to the Land Use Commission.

I have known Mr. Inouye for over five years and have been fortunate enough to have worked with him on the General Contractor's Association's Department of Accounting and General Services committee.

I believe Mr. Inouye's professional experience in engineering and law will be a valuable asset to the Land Use Commission.

I respectfully urge you and the Committee members to support Mr. Inouye's confirmation.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this matter.

To:

The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz; Chair The Honorable Malama Solomon, Vice Chair Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

From: Linda Lacaden

RE:

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, LANCE INOUYE, for a term to expire 6-30-2016

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

I support Lance Inouye's confirmation to the State of Hawaii Land Use Commission, where I believe his experience, sound judgment and keen ability to be fair and objective, will be highly valued.

Sincerely

Linda Lacaden

91-1038 Haulele St.

Kapolei, Hi. 96707

April 12, 2012

To: The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

The Honorable Malama Solomon, Vice Chair

Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

From: Mel Uesato

RE: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the

Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, LANCE INOUYE, for a term to

expire 6-30-2016 - SUPPORT

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

I am a Kapolei resident who continues to take advantage of all the new shopping choices we now have right in our community. Costco, Longs and Home Depot are among my family's regular stops. One of the newest additions to our neighborhood, the Kapolei Village Center, is currently under construction by Lance Inouye's company. We cannot wait until it's finished! We are looking forward to the new Foodland store and all the other retailers that will soon come.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration to confirm Lance Inouye as a member of the State Land Use Commission.

Aloha,

Mel Uesato

E.CULA

91-211 Hoanaulu Pl.

Kapolei, Hi. 96707

April 12, 2012

To: The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

The Honorable Malama Solomon, Vice Chair

Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

From: Maeda Timson

RE: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission,

Gubernatorial Nominee, LANCE INOUYE, for a term to expire 6-30-2016

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for allowing me to submit my support for Lance Inouye's nomination to serve on the Land Use Commission.

My family moved to Makakilo nearly 40 years ago, and at the time, there was nothing but fields of sugar cane. Over the years we have seen our community grow, with new residents, shopping facilities, parks, schools and much more. After decades of planning, the City of Kapolei continues to be a place where young families – similar to my husband and I when we first started out – have an opportunity to be part of a real community.

I was directly involved in the planning of the Kapolei Regional Park and the adjacent stakepark. This is when I had the pleasure of working with Lance. He was approachable, extremely knowledgeable and he took a sincere interest in what the community's residents had to say. For this we are thankful because as it was five years ago when it first opened, the skatepark continues to be a popular gathering place for young people in our community.

I hope you will approve Lance Inouye's nomination to the Land Use Commission. He is highly qualified and together with the other Commissioners, he will do our entire state an important service.

92-684 Nohona St.

Kapolei, Hi. 96707

To: The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
The Honorable Malama Solomon, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing

From: Ronald Yanos

RE: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, LANCE INOUYE, for a term to expire 6-30-2016 – SUPPORT

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Solomon and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to share my support for Lance Inouye as a gubernatorial nominee to serve on the state Land Use Commission.

As a resident of Kapolei – like many skateboarders, teens and families alike – I have spent countless hours at the Kapolei Skatepark. Thanks to Lance Inouye's leadership and collaboration with the City and others, we have a community amenity we enjoy and take great pride in.

I strongly support Lance Inouye's confirmation to serve as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for your consideration.

RONALD YANOS

92-958 Panana Street #25 Kapolei, HI 96707

IWALANI DAYTON

941-A Prospect Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96822 PH (808) 342-5442 iwadayton@hawaii.rr.com

Senate Committee on Water, Land and Housing Tuesday, April 17, 2012 GM 920 related to the Nomination of Lance Inouye

Chairman Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Solomon, and members of the Committee:

Aloha! My name is Iwalani Dayton. I am the Vice President of Development for Easter Seals Hawaii. This is my testimony in support of the confirmation of Lance Inouye, nominee for the Land Use Commission. I was the Director of Development at Shriners Hospitals for Children in Honolulu from 2007 to 2010. Mr. Inouye was a volunteer committee member on the Capital Campaign Committee that raised over \$10,000,000 in Hawaii towards a new Shriners Hospital. It was a prestigious committee of business and community leaders and Mr. Inouye was an active, engaged, ethical, dedicated and responsible member of the committee. Mr. Inouye always displayed professionalism even through controversial times. If I was to choose one word that describes Mr. Inouye, it would be "honorable."

I am pleased to recommend favorable consideration of Mr. Inouye's nomination. The State of Hawaii would be well served with members like Mr. Inouye on the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.