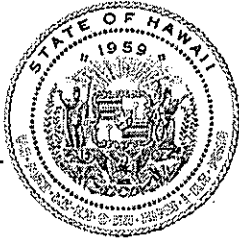


# GM 502

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (Kakaako District), Gubernatorial Nominee, BRIAN TAMAMOTO, for a term to expire 6-30-2015.



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Statement of  
**Mary Alice Evans**  
Deputy Director  
Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism  
before the  
**SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT  
OPERATIONS AND HOUSING.**

Monday, March 31, 2014  
2:50 p.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 016  
in consideration of

**GM 502**  
**SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE HAWAII  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (KAKAAKO DISTRICT),  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, BRIAN TAMAMOTO,  
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2015.**

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Slom, and Members of the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing.

I respectfully urge your **strong support** for the confirmation of Brian Tamamoto as a member of the Hawaii Community Development Authority board of directors.

Brian Tamamoto is well qualified to serve as the Honolulu City Council designated small business representative on the HCDA board. He brings a variety of private business experience and volunteer public service.

As an interim appointee, Mr. Tamamoto gives each matter that comes before the board careful consideration by asking probing questions of project proponents and staff. As an advocate of transparent decision-making, he clearly states the basis for his positions.

I respectfully urge your **favorable consideration** of the nomination of Brian Tamamoto.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.



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STATEMENT OF

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BEFORE THE

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT  
OPERATIONS AND HOUSING

ON

MONDAY, MARCH 31, 2014

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**G.M. 502 –SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION  
TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
AUTHORITY (KAKAOKO DISTRICT) GUBERNATORIAL  
NOMINEE, BRIAN TAMAMOTO, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE  
ON JUNE 30, 2015.**

Mr. Brian Tamamoto is being nominated to serve on the Hawaii  
Community Development Authority (HCDA) for the Kakaako District.

Mr. Tamamoto brings with him twenty-four (24) years of experience in  
labor relations, business operations, and development. His current position as the  
Executive Vice President of Resort Holdings LLC, a small business located in  
Kakaako Mauka, qualifies him as a city council designated small business  
representative.

Previously, Mr. Tamamoto worked as director of labor relations for  
Hawaiian Telcom, as Managing Director for Human Resources Solutions, and as  
Director of Human Resources/Labor Relations for Aloha Airlines. He has also  
served as the Hawaii President of the Society for Human Resource Management  
and Chair of the Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii.

Mr. Tamamoto has also served as a commissioner for the State Foundation on the Culture and Arts and volunteers for River of Life Mission's homelessness program, further emphasizing his commitment to building strong communities.

Mr. Tamamoto is aware of the requirements and responsibilities for serving on the Authority and has already taken it upon himself to become familiar with recent Authority business.

The HCDA looks forward to working with Mr. Tamamoto as it continues on its path toward redeveloping Kakaako. I offer my support for his confirmation by the State Senate.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments in support of Mr. Tamamoto's nomination.



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Written Statement of

**Karl K. Fooks**

**President**

Hawaii Strategic Development Corporation

Before the

**COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS & HOUSING**

**March 31, 2014**

**2:50 PM**

**State Capitol, Conference Room 016**

In consideration of

**GM 557**

**SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HIGH TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, LEIGH-ANN MIYASATO, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2018**

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

The Hawaii Strategic Development Corporation (HSDC) respectfully submits testimony in **support** of the appointment of Leigh-Ann Miyasato to the Board of Directors of the High Technology Development Corporation (HTDC).

Ms. Miyasato is very involved in the entrepreneurial community through her work as the Executive Director of the Entrepreneurs' Foundation of Hawaii, as well as her participation in many of the entrepreneurial activities and events across the State. Her knowledge and experience with Hawaii's entrepreneurs and innovative community would be a great addition to HTDC's Board of Directors.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



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**Senate Committee On**  
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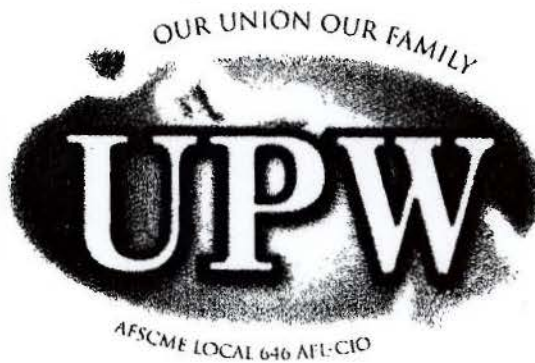
**Testimony on GM 502**  
Nomination of Brian Tamamoto to the  
Hawai'i Community Development Authority  
(Kakaako District)  
Monday, March 31, 2014  
Conference Room 16

I respectfully urge your favorable consideration of Governor Neil Abercrombie's nomination of Brian T. Tamamoto for appointment to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (Kakaako District).

With more than 24 years of experience in labor relations, business operations, and development, Mr. Tamamoto is very well qualified to help implement the goals and objectives of the HCDA. His expertise in property development and asset management makes him an excellent candidate for the position

I wholeheartedly support the appointment of Brian T. Tamamoto to the Hawai'i Community Development Authority and strongly recommend your Committee's affirmative action on his nomination.





March 28, 2014

Senator Donovan Dela Cruz  
Chairperson  
Economic Development, Government  
Operations and Housing  
State Capitol, Room 202  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairperson Dela Cruz & Committee Members:

It is with great pleasure that the United Public Workers Union, AFSCME Local 646, support the appointment of BRIAN TAMAMOTO to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA).

We are confident that he will make a positive contribution and offer a fresh new perspective on HCDA's approach in developing Kaka'ako as well as support moderate priced workforce housing.

On a personal note, I have known Brian for 30-years. He has great integrity, a compassionate character, and operates with a great sense of fairness. He is highly skilled in facilitating interactions and is results oriented. It will certainly be a benefit to the State of Hawaii to confirm his HCDA nomination.

Thank you for your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dayton Nakanelua', is written over a horizontal line.

DAYTON NAKANELUA  
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**TESTIMONY OF HAWAII LECET  
CLYDE T. HAYASHI - DIRECTOR**

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,  
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND HOUSING  
MONDAY, MARCH 31, 2014, 2:50 P.M.  
STATE CAPITOL – ROOM 016

**RE: GM 502, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE HAWAII  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (KAKA'AKO DISTRICT),  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, BRIAN TAMAMOTO**

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Slom and members of the Committee:

My name is Clyde T. Hayashi and I am the Director of Hawaii LECET. Hawaii LECET is a labor-management partnership between the Hawaii Laborers Union Local 368, its 5,000+ members, and 250+ unionized contractors.

We support GM 502, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (Kaka'ako District), Gubernatorial Nominee Brian Tamamoto. We believe Mr. Tamamoto is more than qualified to be part of the Hawaii Community Development Authority.

Mr. Tamamoto has over 24 years of experience in the areas of development, business operations and labor relations. Currently, he is the Executive Vice President of Resort Holdings, LLC, a subsidiary of Kobayashi Group, where he is responsible for property development and asset management. Mr. Tamamoto has been employed with Resort Holdings since 2002, and also has experience in the areas of revenue management and sales and marketing.

Mr. Tamamoto's past work experience includes working as Director of Labor Relations for Hawaiian Telcom, Managing Director for Human Resources Solutions and Director of Human Resources/Labor relations for Aloha Airlines. He also has prior work experience in the hotel industry, the State Legislature, U.S. Congress and with various Unions.

In addition, Mr. Tamamoto has served as the Hawaii President of the Society for Human Resource Management, Chair of the Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii (RCUH), and as a Commissioner for the State Foundation on the Culture and Arts. In his spare time he volunteers with the River of Life Mission's Homelessness Program.

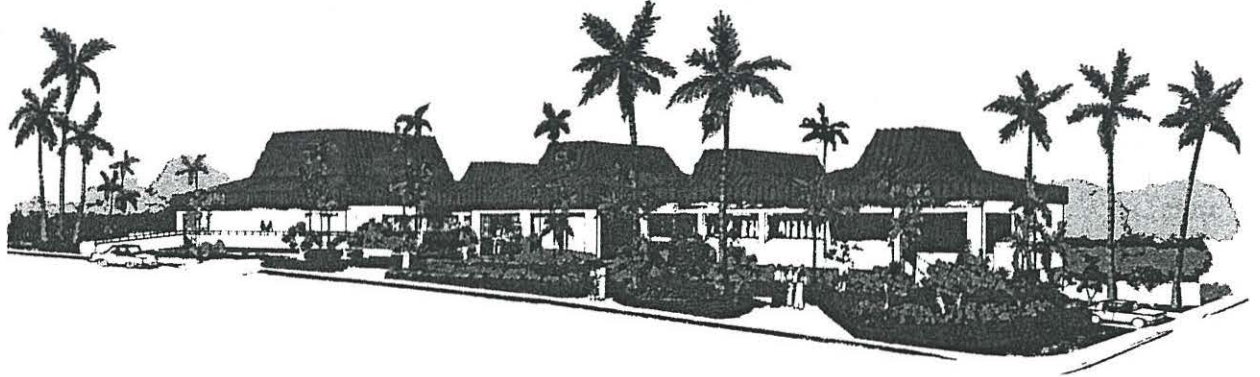
With Mr. Tamamoto's extensive background in development, business operations and labor relations, as well as his commitment to the community, we believe that he will be a welcome addition to the Hawaii Community Development Authority.

Mahalo for the opportunity to express our support for Mr. Brian Tamamoto.





## LABORERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA LOCAL 368



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March 26, 2014

Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Honorable Sam Slom, Vice Chair  
Committee on Economic Development,  
Government Operations and Housing (EGH)  
Hearing March 31, 2014, Rm. O16, 2:50 p.m.

Re: GM502 Mr. Brian T. Tamamoto

Dear Chair Dela Cruz:

Governor Neil Abercrombie submitted for the consideration of the Senate EGH Committee, the nomination of Mr. Brian T. Tamamoto to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (Kakaako District), for a term to expire June 30, 2015.

Mr. Tamamoto brings to the HCDA another perspective from the HCDA norm. He has the experience in dealing with thousands of people issues rather than architectural or engineering ones. He is a listener and a problem solver by education and experience. He will be able to relate to the community in Kakaako and elsewhere and bridge the gap between the HCDA Administration/Board and the community. His outgoing and friendly demeanor attests to that.

He has direct experiences in conflict resolution, arbitration, employee and customer relations. We sincerely believe that this skill set will be an asset to the HCDA,

We humbly ask that Mr. Tamamoto be confirmed to the HCDA. Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
Al Lardizabal,  
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# Hawai'i Construction Alliance

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March 27, 2014

The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
The Honorable Sam Slom, Vice Chair  
and Members  
Committee on Economic Development,  
Government Operations and Housing  
Hawai'i State Senate  
415 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

**RE: Support for GM502**

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

The Hawai'i Construction Alliance supports GM502, which submits for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (Kakaako District), Gubernatorial Nominee, Brian Tamamoto, for a term to expire June 30, 2015.

The Hawai'i Construction Alliance is comprised of the Hawai'i Regional Council of Carpenters; the Hawai'i Masons Union, Local 1 and Local 630; the Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 368; and the Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3. Together, the four member unions of the Hawai'i Construction Alliance represent 15,000 working men and women in the four basic crafts of Hawai'i's construction industry.

The four unions of the Hawai'i Construction Alliance have been strong advocates for the development of a vibrant, mixed-use community in Kaka'ako. Over the next several years, Kaka'ako will grow to include housing that local residents can afford, support good-paying jobs, and host amenities for the general public to enjoy. Hundreds of our members are currently at work on projects within the Kaka'ako area, and we are proud to be a part of the transformation of Kaka'ako into a place where people can live, work, play, and raise families.

Based on his extensive background in business, labor relations, and in the government sector, we believe that Mr. Tamamoto will be a knowledgeable and capable steward for the transformation of Kaka'ako into a great community for the next generation.

We respectfully ask for your favorable consideration for his nomination to the HCDA Board.

Mahalo,



Tyler Dos Santos-Tam  
Executive Director  
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The Senate  
The Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
Committee on Economic Development,  
Government Operations and Housing  
March 31, 2014, 2:50 p.m.  
Room 16

Statement of the Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters on  
GM 502, Confirmation of Brian Tamamoto to the HCDA

The Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters supports the confirmation of Brian Tamamoto to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (Kakaako District).

The consistent thread through his years of work in business, unions and government has been working with people. He has been able to get business done while communicating with, listening to, and showing genuine concern for people.

That, paired with an eye for increasing efficiencies and analyzing varied information, will be an important contribution to the HCDA. Mr. Tamamoto has also given of his time in previous voluntary public service, and will be a conscientious participant in meetings and hearings, and the preparation that precedes both.

Brian Tamamoto believes in seeking long term plans and solutions for Hawaii, which the HCDA is a part of, and his appointment should be confirmed.



The Pacific Resource  
**PARTNERSHIP**



Testimony of **Cindy McMillan**  
The Pacific Resource Partnership

Senate Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing  
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senator Sam Slom, Vice Chair

**GM 502 - Hawaii Community Development Authority (Kakaako District), Gubernatorial Nominee,**  
**BRIAN TAMAMOTO**  
Monday, March 31, 2014  
2:45 pm  
Conference Room 016

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Slom and members of the Committee:

The Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP) is a labor-management consortium representing over 240 signatory contractors and the Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters.

**PRP supports the nomination** of Brian Tamamoto to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (Kakaako District). Mr. Tamamoto has the skills and past experience to understand multiple perspectives and ensure that the redevelopment of the Kakaako community proceeds in a balanced way. Such an approach allows us to protect our valuable open space and keep the country undeveloped.

Mr. Tamamoto is the Executive Vice President for Resort Holdings, LLC where he is responsible for the oversight and asset management for a golf course, property development, and other administrative duties, including hotel consulting services during ownership transition, revenue management, and sales/marketing.

Mr. Tamamoto previously served as Director of Labor Relations at Carlyle Group/Hawaiian Telcom; he was part of management team which purchased Verizon - Hawaiian Telephone Company and once the business purchase was made, he was transferred to Hawaiian Telcom to be in charge of labor contract, administrative services, and supervising the business unit managers.

Mr. Tamamoto's experiences show he has an extraordinary capacity to deal with people on multiple levels. He has the experience, knowledge, and insight of the Authority that will make him an invaluable asset. His business professionalism brings a high level of credibility and reliability to the Authority.

We respectfully ask for your *favorable* consideration of Brian Tamamoto to the Hawai'i Community Development Authority (Kakaako District). Thank you for the opportunity to share our views with you.



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## **TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND HOUSING**

**Monday, March 31, 2014**

**2:50 p.m.**

**State Capitol - Room 016**

### **RE: GM 502, FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION OF GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, BRIAN TAMAMOTO, TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (KAKA`AKO DISTRICT)**

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Slom, and members of the Committee:

My name is Gladys Marrone, Government Relations Director for the Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA-Hawaii), the Voice of the Construction Industry. We promote our members through advocacy and education, and provide community outreach programs to enhance the quality of life for the people of Hawaii. BIA-Hawaii is a not-for-profit professional trade organization chartered in 1955, and affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders.

BIA-Hawaii **supports** GM 502, Gubernatorial nominee, Brian Tamamoto, to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA - Kaka`ako District).

Mr. Tamamoto currently serves as a community member of the HCDA representing the Kaka`ako District. He is also Executive Vice President of Resort Holdings, LLC, a subsidiary of Kobayashi Group, and oversees asset management, property development, and other administrative duties including hotel consulting services during ownership transition, revenue management, and sales/marketing. His prior experience includes over 20 years of labor relations and human resources.

We appreciate the opportunity to share with your our support for the reappointment of Mr. Tamamoto.

Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014

THE SENATE

Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing  
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senator Sam Slom, Vice Chair  
State Capitol, Conference Room 016  
Monday, March 2014; 2:50 p.m.

**STATEMENT OF THE ILWU LOCAL 142 ON G.M. 502 FOR BRIAN TAMAMOTO  
HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

The ILWU Local 142 supports G.M. 502 for the confirmation of Brian Tamamoto for the Hawaii Community Development Authority (Kakaako District).

The Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) is currently embarking on an ambitious, and somewhat controversial, development of the Kakaako area. While the plan is to develop the urban core in order to retain open spaces in the rural areas outside of Honolulu proper, there has been opposition from those who believe that too much development is being proposed for Kakaako.

HCDA needs individuals on its board who are mindful of the need to balance all interests. Brian Tamamoto is such an individual. Mr. Tamamoto was born, raised and educated in Honolulu. Having worked both in private sector business as well as for the state and federal government and labor unions, Mr. Tamamoto has been intimately involved in and understands a number of economic sectors in Hawaii. We believe he can articulate, if not fully represent, the interests of the ordinary working man and woman in Honolulu, who may want development for the opportunities it presents for employment and career options but have concerns about density and quality of life for themselves and their families.

Mr. Tamamoto is also active in the community, serving on boards of nonprofit organizations and helping to promote a better Hawaii. HCDA will pose a challenge for Mr. Tamamoto and others on the board, but we believe that Mr. Tamamoto is up to the challenge and will be fair and deliberate in his decision-making.

The ILWU urges confirmation of Brian Tamamoto for the Hawaii Community Development Authority (Kakaako District). Thank you for the opportunity to share our views.

March 27, 2014

The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing  
State Capitol, Room 16  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

**Subject: GM 502 -TESTIMONY ON THE APPOINTMENT OF BRIAN TAMAMOTO AS A BOARD MEMBER TO HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

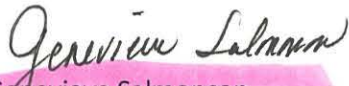
Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Slom, and members of the Committee:

My name is Genevieve Salmonson and I **strongly support** Brian Tamamoto as Governor Abercrombie's choice to serve on the board of the Hawaii Community Development Authority.

I have known Mr. Tamamoto personally and professionally for over twenty years. I know him to be a person of integrity, with an unwavering commitment to the betterment of our State. I have had the opportunity of working with Mr. Tamamoto on a variety of environmental, regulatory matters, community service and as a past board member for my condominium association. I have found Mr. Tamamoto to be extremely diligent, prudent, and skilled in the exercise of all his undertakings.

He is qualified for this position, not because of his knowledge of the responsibilities and demands of this position, but also because of his keen understanding of the important role this board plays in confronting the innumerable issues affecting the quality of life Kaka'ako, now and into the future. For these reasons, I am **in strong support** for the appointment of Mr. Tamamoto to the board of the Hawaii Community Development Authority.

Thank you for considering my views in favor of the confirmation of Mr. Tamamoto.

  
Genevieve Salmonson  
Community Supportor

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**GM502**

Submitted on: 3/29/2014

Testimony for EGH on Mar 31, 2014 14:50PM in Conference Room 016

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Hinaleimoana Wong-Kalu	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Senator Dela Cruz and the body of senate leadership on this hearing. I kindly ask your support for Brian Tamamoto by confirming his appointment to the HCDA board. Brian is an individual of integrity and tenacity in any issue that he is responsible to opine or comment on. He pays attention to detail and asks questions that you as our current leadership would appreciate to ensure that the interests and concerns of our community are not only heard, but accounted for. Brian is not a "rubber stamp" man. He will provide a level of quality assurance in his engage with those who will come before the HCDA and will certainly uplift the name of our government by his attention and careful scrutiny of information on projects under the jurisdiction of HCDA. Brian is thorough and leaves no stone unturned. He is reliable, committed and dedicated to what he does. He is also a man of his word and honors this by doing what he says he will do. I hope that you will consider him in great favor for this responsibility. Although I write to you as an individual, my capacity as the current Oahu Island Burial Council chairperson, I know the rigors of our Governor appointed boards/commissions and their roles in our community. Brian Tamamoto will serve honorably, honestly, and whole heartedly. Please appoint him to serve on the HCDA. Mahalo nui, Hinaleimoana Wong-Kalu

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