

# GM693

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, PAUL KYNO, for a term to expire 6-30-2018.



## The Senate

STATE CAPITOL  
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

April 8, 2014

The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz  
Chair, Senate Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations, and Housing  
Hawaii State Capitol  
451 South Beretania Street, Rm. 202  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Gubernatorial Nominee: Paul Kyno  
Board of Directors of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation

Dear Senator *Donovan* Dela Cruz:

I am informed that Paul Kyno has been reappointed by Governor Neil Abercrombie for a position on the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation representing Kauai County. I am in strong support of Mr. Kyno's nomination and I am sure he will do an exemplary job as a member of the board if approved by your committee.

It is my firm belief that if confirmed, Mr. Kyno will become a valuable asset to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation with his 27 years of real estate experience.

Thank you for your time and consideration and if there are any questions with regard to the foregoing, please do not hesitate to communicate with me.

Sincerely,

RONALD D. KOUCHI  
Senator – 8<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District

cc: Paul Kyno



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### COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND HOUSING

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

Senator Sam Slom, Vice Chair

April 09, 2014

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Testimony in **SUPPORT** of Gubernatorial Nominee:

**BARBARA BENNETT-GM 623**

**Small Business Regulatory Board**

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Slom and members of the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing:

I am pleased to submit my support for confirmation of Barbara Bennett to the Small Business Regulatory Board.

Ms. Bennett has been a longtime advocate for small businesses on Kauai and understands the many challenges and successes of doing business in our island economy. Her years of experience as a business woman will bring to the discussion a practical approach to addressing the new and existing rules that impacts a successful outcome for our small businesses.

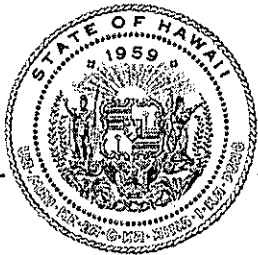
Through the years, Ms. Bennett has served tirelessly as a member and Board director level of Kauai's business associations and entities such as the Kauai Visitors Bureau and the Kauai Chamber of Commerce. Her ability to manage a small business as well as her dedication to her island community will be an added value as a member of the Small Business Regulatory Board.

Thank you for your time and consideration to confirm Barbara Bennett to the Small Business Regulatory Board.

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Representative Derek S.K. Kawakami, 14<sup>th</sup> District  
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District 14, East and North Kaua'i  
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Statement of  
**Richard C. Lim**  
Director  
Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism  
before the

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,  
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND HOUSING**

April 9, 2014 at 2:45 p.m.  
State Capitol, Room 016

In consideration of  
**G.M. 693**  
**SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS OF THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, PAUL KYNO, FOR A TERM TO  
EXPIRE 6-30-2018.**

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

DBEDT supports the nomination of Paul Kyno as the Kauai County  
representative on the HHFDC Board of Directors. Mr. Kyno has expertise in the local  
real estate market and affordable housing financing and development as founder of the  
Kauai Housing Development Corporation, a local nonprofit organization that specialized  
in affordable and special needs housing development. He has ably served on the  
HHFDC Board of Directors since initially confirmed by the Senate in 2011.

DBEDT respectfully requests the Committee's favorable consideration of Mr.  
Kyno's nomination. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE  
GOVERNOR



KAREN SEDDON  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**STATE OF HAWAII**

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Statement of  
**Ralph Mesick**  
Chair, Board of Directors of the  
Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation  
Before the

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The Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) Board of Directors ***strongly supports*** the nomination and reappointment of Paul Kyno as the Kauai County representative on the HHFDC Board.

Mr. Kyno has extensive real estate experience, and understands the local real estate market and issues that affect affordable housing financing and development. He founded the Kauai Housing Development Corporation, a local nonprofit organization specializing in affordable housing development, and was instrumental in the development of affordable and special needs housing. Mr. Kyno is also a member of the Kauai Board of Realtors, the Kauai Disaster Fund, and has previously served as the State of Hawaii's representative on the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle's Affordable Housing Advisory Council. Since his initial appointment in 2011, he has ably served on the HHFDC Board of Directors.

The HHFDC respectfully requests that the Committee support Mr. Kyno's nomination. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

**Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr.**  
Mayor



**Nadine K. Nakamura**  
Managing Director

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TESTIMONY OF KAUA'I MAYOR BERNARD P. CARVALHO, JR.  
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND AHOUSING

April 7, 2014

Aloha from the Garden Island!

Please accept my testimony in support of gubernatorial nominee Paul Kyno to the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC).

Mr. Kyno is a well-known member of the business community on Kaua'i, and will continue to be an asset on the Board with a mission to establish and develop viable community-based housing projects for the State.

His past experience in working with the County Housing Agency, as the Executive Director and Founder of the Kaua'i Housing Development Company and involvement in real estate provides him with an understanding of the housing needs in our State. He has assisted us recently with moving forward with our Rice Camp kupuna housing project in Līhu'e, and Kolopua affordable housing in Princeville.

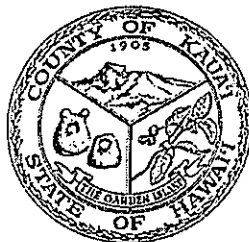
I humbly request that you confirm his nomination, and thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on this matter.

Mahalo nui loa,

Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr.  
Mayor

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April 7, 2014

The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair  
and Members of the Committee on Economic Development,  
Government Operations and Housing

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Committee Members:

**RE: CONFIRMATION OF PAUL KYNO TO THE HAWAII HOUSING  
FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

I am happy to support Governor Abercrombie's reappointment of Paul Kyno to the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Board.

As long as I have known Paul, he has been committed to the development of affordable housing.

I first met him when he was hired to work in the Kaua'i County Housing Agency during my tenure as mayor from 1988 to 1992. Paul did stellar work, including the creation of the Kaua'i Housing Development Corporation (KHDC). He was far-sighted enough to see that Kaua'i needed a nonprofit housing developer on Kaua'i.

He later became Executive Director of the KHDC, where he brought to completion the Lihue Theater Elderly Housing project and the Hale Kupuna housing project in Kalāheo which seniors rave about to this day.

In his short term on Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation's Board, he has been highly effective in advocating for affordable housing for Kaua'i and the state.

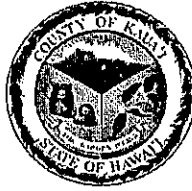
Paul has a wealth of knowledge of all aspects of real estate and development. In applying his experience and expertise to his commitment to affordable housing, he is an incredible asset to our community and state.

I urge your confirmation of his appointment.

Sincerely,

JoAnn A. Yukimura, Chair  
Committee on Housing and Transportation  
Kaua'i County Council

**Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr.**  
Mayor



**Kamuela Cobb-Adams**  
Housing Director

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April 7, 2014

Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair  
and members of the Committee on Economic Development  
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 202  
415 Beretania Street  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Committee Members:

Subject: Confirmation support – Paul Kyno, Board of Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation

I'd like to provide my support for Governor Abercrombie's reappointment of Paul Kyno to the Board of Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation ("HHFDC"). Paul possesses the relevant experience, innovation, and leadership qualities to make an excellent HHFDC Director.

His background in real estate, affordable housing and entrepreneurial endeavors provide a strong foundation to represent Kaua'i and the State of Hawai'i. He is well respected in Kaua'i's business and government communities for his leadership qualities and devotion to Kaua'i and its unique character. He is very involved in a variety of community and professional groups as he has a strong record in business, real-estate, and affordable housing.

Paul is not only a strong advocate for affordable housing but has also developed affordable housing and is very familiar with what it takes to make a successful project. I respectfully request Paul Kyno's reappointment to the HHFDC Board.

Aloha,

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Kamuela Cobb-Adams,  
Director, Housing Agency



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