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Senator Michelle Kidani Senate Education Committee State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii

Dear Senator Kidani,

On behalf of the Patsy T. Mink Political Action Committee, I am pleased to express support for SB2446, a bill to name a new high public school in Kihei, Maui in honor of Patsy Takemoto Mink.

Patsy Takemoto Mink was a distinguished dedicated and innovative legislative trailblazer who overcame gender and racial discrimination to become one of the most influential public servants of her generation.

In 1964, she made history when she was elected to the United States House of Representatives, becoming the first woman of color and the first Asian Pacific American woman elected to the national legislature.

Patsy T. Mink was a visionary leader and author of Title IX, now named the Patsy T. Mink Act, which brought academic and athletic gender quality to America's educational institutions. Her efforts changed the world for girls and women at every level of our society.

The naming of a new public high school the "Patsy Takemoto Mink High School" would honor the integrity and values of her life. Moreover, it would serve to highlight Patsy Takemoto Mink's legacy as a role model for Hawaii's and our nation's children---that one amazing woman who had high ideals took risks every day to change forever the lives of future generations.

It is with great appreciation and gratitude for Patsy Takemoto Mink that we express our support for SB2446.

Aloha,

Jadine Nielsen

Chair



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Comments: When taking an important step such as naming government buildings and educational institutions, including this community driven high school, it would seem appropriate to ask the community for their input. This naming may be completely appropriate or there may be other alternative names, considerations and viewpoints. At this juncture, I do not believe the community has had an opportunity to properly review and consider this. Thank you for your consideration, James Andrew Beerer Chair, Kihei High School Action Team

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