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TESTIMONY
OF
SCOTT L. CHAN, STADIUM MANAGER
STADIUM AUTHORITY
DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES
TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT, AND TECHNOLOGY
ON
April 13, 2016

G.M. 850

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Slom, and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony in support of Mr. David Uchiyama.

Mr. Uchiyama comes to the Stadium Authority with an extensive background and wealth of knowledge in both the private and public sectors of business with significant involvement in the tourism industry. Mr. Uchiyama's experience includes over three decades of marketing and branding experience that spans across not only domestic but major international markets as well. During his tenure at the Hawaii Tourism Authority, Mr. Uchiyama helped navigate HTA through some of the tourism industry's most difficult economic times.

In addition to all of his commitments, Mr. Uchiyama continues to stay engaged in the sports industry and has dedicated time to volunteer on a number of sports foundations and associations, as well as, sharing a part of his remaining time with a number of community non-profit organizations.

I believe Mr. Uchiyama's wealth of knowledge, proven commitment, and experience will greatly support the goals and objectives of the Stadium Authority Board and further strengthen the cohesive makeup of the existing Stadium Authority Board as it moves forward to address the many challenges that lie ahead.

As such, I respectfully ask for the Committee's favorable consideration in confirming gubernatorial nominee, Mr. David Uchiyama to the Stadium Authority Board for a present term to expire on June 30, 2020.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

April 13, 2016

Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair
Senator Sam Slom, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Economic Development, Environment, and Technology
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RE: GM 850 Consideration and Confirmation of David Uchiyama to the Stadium Authority

Dear Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Slom and Committee Members:

It is with great pleasure that I respectfully submit testimony in support of Mr. David Uchiyama and his nomination to the Stadium Authority.

Mr. Uchiyama has many years of professional experience in the visitor and hospitality industry, both in the private and public sector. Significant to this appointment is his experience with sports marketing efforts, while in his capacity at the Hawaii Tourism Authority.

He also has many years of personal experience in the local sporting community as a volunteer coach, organizer, booster and fan. Significant to this appointment is his experience with the high school sporting community, where his volunteer services have benefited many of Hawaii's youth.

Both his professional and personal perspective will add value to the activity of the Authority in fulfillment of its mission to meet the challenge of providing a first class venue where dreams of our young people can be realized through participation in sporting and other special events, where the spirit of achievement can be nourished by the thrill of healthy competition, where families can gather to share their cultural diversity with pride and a feeling of Aloha.

I feel Mr. Uchiyama is qualified and his service in this capacity will benefit the Stadium Authority as it addresses the present challenges and future development possibilities of the Aloha Stadium campus.

Very truly yours,



Ross I. Yamasaki