

GM 600

Measure Title:	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee GEORGE ATTA, for a term to expire 06-30-2022.
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Statement of
LEILANI PULMANO
Chair, Board of Directors of the
Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation
Before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

April 5, 2018 at 2:45 p.m.
State Capitol, Room 225

In consideration of
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SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, GEORGE ATTA, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2020.

The Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) Board of Directors **strongly supports** the nomination of George Atta, as the Board's Oahu representative.

Mr. Atta has more than 30 years of professional experience in urban and regional planning with public agencies and as a planning consultant. Most notably, he was formerly head of the City and County of Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting. His depth of experience and expertise will be very helpful as the HHFDC continues its mission to facilitate and expedite the development of affordable housing statewide.

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

Statement of
MARY ALICE EVANS
Deputy Director
Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism
Before the

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Chair Espero, Vice Chair Harimoto, and Members of the Committee.

I ***support*** the nomination of George Atta, as the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) Board of Directors' Oahu representative.

Mr. Atta will be a valuable member of the HHFDC Board given his more than 30 years of professional experience in urban and regional planning. He has a wealth of private- and public-sector expertise as planning consultant and as former head of the City and County of Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting. His depth of experience and expertise will help the HHFDC fulfill its mission to facilitate and expedite the development of affordable housing statewide.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



Testimony for
Senate Committee on Housing
Thursday, April 5, 2018, 2:45 p.m. Room 225

Senator Will Espero, Chair
Senator Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair

GM 600 George Atta for HHFDC Board

Dear Chair Espero and Members of the Committee:

This testimony is in **STRONG SUPPORT** of GM 600 George to the Board of Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation for a term to expire 06-30-2020.

I am Lynn McCrory, Senior Vice President of Government Affairs for Pulama Lanai. Pulama Lanai is the entity that was set up by Larry Ellison to work with the community and government as we move the island of Lanai toward sustainability.

Having known George for over twenty years, I can attest to his perseverance, his intelligence, his common sense approach to a myriad of issues, and his ability to see the bigger picture and understand the details. When I lived on Kaua'i I had the privilege of working with George on a master plan for the Princeville Corporation. He listened to the issues from the community, he worked with the community, and he worked with the corporation. All that ended in a great master plan for the area that was accepted and to this day is in play.

Over the years, watching George add the Director of Planning for the City and County of Honolulu to his list of employers, brought forth and enabled him to use his many skills to find ways to work with both the developers and the community. He made progress and worked to have the department operate more efficiently. What accomplishments!!

You couldn't have a better candidate for HHFDC. We humbly ask that you SUPPORT GM 600. Mahalo!

Me ke aloha pumehana
With warm aloha,

Lynn P. McCrory
Senior Vice President of Government Affairs

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Honorable Will Espero
Chair, Senate Committee on Housing
Hawaii State Capitol

April 5, 2018

RE: Nomination to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation GN #600

1. Why do you wish to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation?

I wish to help in increasing the inventory of affordable housing in Hawaii.

2. How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of a member of the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation?

My role is to help breakdown the barriers to affordable housing and encourage new innovative ways to look at affordable housing.

3. Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities of a member of the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, why do you believe that you are qualified for this position?

All of my life and over the years of working on various projects, working with DHHL, and with other non-profit organizations, and as working as the DPP Director facilitating affordable housing projects in Hawaii, working with developers like Stanford Carr, I have a broad range of experience that I will use in this position.

4. What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

The first is to simplify the rules so that more developers can provide affordable housing. Second is to work on financing to help developers provide affordable housing. The third is to encourage DPP and DHHF to work together to think of ways to cut the amount of regulations required for permits to help encourage affordable housing.

5. Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interests that could arise during your service on the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation? How would you overcome any possible conflicts of interest?

I may have conflicts of interest if I am a consultant with developers. In those cases, I would recuse myself from voting or speaking for such developers.


George Atta