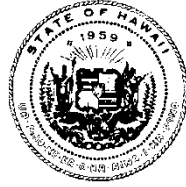


GM 743

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Statement of  
**Hakim Ouansafi**  
Hawaii Public Housing Authority  
Before the

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING**

**Monday, April 22, 2019**  
**1:00 PM**  
**Room 423, Hawaii State Capitol**

In consideration of

**G.M. 743**

**Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, Todd Taniguchi, for a term to expire 06-30-2023.**

Honorable Chair Chang, and Members of the Senate Committee on Housing, thank you for the opportunity to provide you with testimony in support of Governor's Message 743, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, Mr. Todd Taniguchi, for a term to expire June 30, 2023.

The Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) supports the confirmation of Mr. Taniguchi to the HPHA Board of Directors. The HPHA Board needs directors with a variety of life experiences and professional expertise in order to effectively fulfill its role as a policy guide for the agency. Mr. Taniguchi's years of private sector experience in construction, energy efficiency and mixed-use developments will make him a great asset to the HPHA Board of Directors, and he will also bring a fresh perspective in developing sound and thoughtful policy decisions.

The HPHA appreciates the opportunity to provide the Senate Committee on Housing with the agency's position regarding G.M. 743. We respectfully request the Committee to confirm Mr. Taniguchi to the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority Board of Directors.

**GM-743**

Submitted on: 4/16/2019 11:51:21 AM

Testimony for HOU on 4/22/2019 1:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
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To: Senator Stanley Chang, Chair  
Senator Dru Mamo Kanuha, Vice-Chair  
Members of the Committee on Housing

From: Kerry M. Komatsubara

Re: GM 743, Gubernatorial Nominee Todd Taniguchi to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority for Term to Expire June 30, 2013.

Hearing: April 22, 2019, 1:00 p.m. in Conference Room 423, Hawaii State Capitol.

Position: Strong Support

Chair Chang, Vice-Chair Kanuha and Members of the Committee,

I am writing in strong support of the nomination of Todd Taniguchi to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority.

Although I only have known and worked with Todd for less than a year, I am very impressed with what I have seen in this young man. His academic and professional credentials speak for themselves. He has attended and graduated from respected educational institutions and his impressive work experience include prior assignments in Singapore, Australia, California and now Hawaii.

What is most impressive about Todd, however, is his personal character and business ethics. He cares about making the right decision and most notable is that he treats all people fairly and respectfully, even when there is nobody else watching and there is no motive to impress onlookers. This genuineness is what I find so refreshing and admirable about Todd.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to submit this testimony for this Committee's consideration.

To: Senator Stanley Chang, Chair  
Senator Dru Mamo Kanuha, Vice Chair  
Members of the Committee on Housing

From: Marc Allard

RE: GM 743 - Gubernatorial Nominee Todd Taniguchi to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority. Term expiring June 30, 2023

Hearing: April 22 2019, 1:00 PM in Conference Room 423 of the Hawaii State Capitol

Position: Strong Support

Chair Chang, Vice Chair Kanuha, and Members of the Committee,

I would like to testify in strong support of Todd Taniguchi's confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (term to expire on June 30, 2023).

I have known Todd for 18 years since he was a student at Kamehameha Schools (where I formerly taught physics) and I have stayed connected with him throughout his career. When I think of Todd the adjectives that first come to mind are diligent, thoughtful, empathetic, hardworking, and kind. He has a demonstrated track record of professionalism over the course of his career and given his exceptional character traits as an individual, and his extensive relevant professional experience, I believe Todd would be an outstanding candidate to serve as a member of the HPHA Board of Directors.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marc Allard". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Marc Allard  
Los Altos, CA