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Statement of
MARY ALICE EVANS
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before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT
Monday, April 11, 2022
1:00 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224 & Videoconference

in consideration of
GM 793
NOMINATING JUSTINE NIHIPALI TO
THE GREENHOUSE GAS SEQUESTRATION TASK FORCE

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Nishihara, and Members of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment.

The Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (OPSD) supports GM 793. Justine Nihipali serves on the Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Commission and qualifies as the member of the Commission to sit on the Greenhouse Gas Sequestration Task Force, as required by Chapter 225P-4(c)(9), HRS.

Ms. Nihipali has a masters in urban and regional planning from the University of Hawaii at Manoa and currently works as the Planning Program Manager of the Coastal Zone Management program in the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development.

Ms. Nihipali has provided support for the Task Force since its beginning in 2018 when the Legislature passed Act 15. She understands the Legislature's objectives for this body which became Chapter 225P-4, HRS, attached to the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development.

We request your advice and consent to the nomination of Justine Nihipali to the serve on the Greenhouse Gas Sequestration Task Force.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Brian Miyamoto	Testifying for Hawaii Farm Bureau	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

We support Ms. Nihipali.