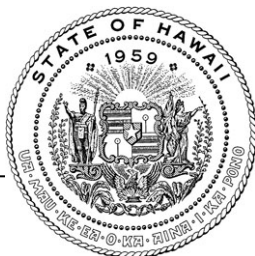


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Statement of
Daniel E. Orodener
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Before the
Senate Committee on
Water and Land

Monday April 11, 2022
1:30 PM
State Capitol, Room 229 Virtual Video Conference

In consideration of
GM 858

**REGARDING THE CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION OF GEORGE ATTA TO THE
LAND USE COMMISSION, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2024**

Chair Inouye; Vice Chair Keith-Agaran; and members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Mr. George Atta's appointment to the Land Use Commission. Mr. Atta really needs little introduction. He has a wealth of experience in the planning arena and has worked with the private sector, the Land Use Commission, county government, and the Legislature for many years. He is a nationally certified professional planner (AICP) who has also earned the rare distinction, and one of only a handful in Hawai'i, of being named a fellow of the American Institute of Certified Planners (FAICP).

Mr. Atta is a well-respected and beloved member of the community and his expertise and experience is highly valued. We look forward to working with him.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Mr. Atta's appointment. We are honored to have him and look forward with pleasure to his participation.



April 11, 2022

COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

Sen. Lorraine Inouye, Chair; Sen. Gilbert Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair; and Committee Members
Public Hearing, April 11, 2022 , 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol

TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM F. ANONSEN
MANAGING PARTNER/PRINCIPAL OF THE MARITIME GROUP
IN SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 858
(GEORGE ATTA – LAND USE COMMISSION)

My name is William F. Anonsen, the Managing Partner/Principal of The Maritime Group. I respectfully would like to express my personal support for the confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee, Mr. George Atta to the Land Use Commission with a term expiring June 30, 2024.

Through my professional and personal association with Mr. Atta for many years, I have found him to be a dedicated individual who consistently performs his professional and civic responsibilities with a sense of commitment, pride, and duty. He has the professional credentials, years of experience and personal attributes necessary that make him an outstanding nominee which he has consistently demonstrated by his years of dedicated service in working on complex development initiatives in our island communities employing the highest standards and practices of planning and permitting.

Mr. Atta is a leader in our community and a team player who works well with all people and is an excellent facilitator. He has demonstrated on several occasions, his strong analytical skills, and his ability to remain committed to his principals, always with the highest degree of ethics and diplomacy in times of heated conflicting opposition. I have always found him to carefully consider difficult issues, and through a structured investigative process and mindset, he develops calculated decisions that address and work to resolve an issue. Most important, George stands by his beliefs and principals, strongly defending them skillfully and with respectful tact.

Mr. Atta is well versed in a myriad of development planning issues and is an individual of unquestionable integrity and fairness and has my personal vote of confidence on the Commission. The success of the mandated mission of the Land Use Commission is too important to our remote multi-island state and deserves strong leadership and commitment to purpose.

Mahalo for the opportunity to comment on this distinguished business and community leader

Sincerely,

William F. Anonsen

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April 10, 2022

TO: Senator Lorraine Inouye, Chair
Senator Gilbert Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair
Members, Committee on Water & Land

FROM: Mahealani Cypher
Ko`olau Foundation

RE: G.M. 858, Appointment of George I. Atta to State Land Use Commission

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran and Committee Members:

The Ko`olau Foundation offers its strong support for the appointment of George Atta for a term on the State Land Use Commission.

George's resume alone should clearly demonstrate that he exemplifies the kind of individual that would bring extensive experience, skill and expertise to the deliberations of the LUC; however, in our view, it is George Atta, the person, who is his best attribute.

We have known George for many years and have long admired his ability to analyze complex land use planning issues and work toward compromises or solutions where conflicts occur. He is a focused, sensible and responsible individual who always treats others with great respect.

We are confident that he would definitely prove to be an asset to the Land Use Commission.

We urge your committee to recommend him to the full Senate for confirmation.

Mahalo for your consideration of our mana`o.



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9 April 2022
Hawaii State Legislature

**SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR GM754
Confirmation of George Atta to the State Land Use Commission**

Aloha State Legislators:

On behalf of myself and the Principals of G70, we strongly SUPPORT the nomination of George Atta as a member of the State Land Use Commission.

George is one of the most knowledgeable land use planners in the State, and he will bring a strong balanced perspective to the discussion of major land use issues before the LUC. Through his many years of private practice and government, George has developed great strengths and sensitivities in land use development, environmental impact analysis and community engagement.

We strongly support the appointment of George Atta to the LUC.

Sincerely,

GROUP 70 INTERNATIONAL, INC. (DBA G70)

Jeffrey H. Overton, AICP, LEED-AP
Principal

GM-858

Submitted on: 4/10/2022 12:53:27 AM

Testimony for WTL on 4/11/2022 1:30:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Bronson Azama	Individual	Support	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

I have had the privilege to work with George Atta and brainstorm with him on development projects, I feel his expertise would be an excellent addition to the LUC with his professional background and ability to work well with people in the private sector and the general public from his experience on DPP.

GM-858

Submitted on: 4/4/2022 2:13:11 PM

Testimony for WTL on 4/11/2022 1:30:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Nelisa Asato	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support Mr. Atta's nomination to the Land Use Commission.