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SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION & CULTURE & THE ARTS
Thursday, April 4, 2024 — 3:00 p.m.

Ulupono Initiative supports GM 579, Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the Safe Routest to School Advisory Committee, Gubernatorial Nominee, Thomas Noyes, for a Term to Expire 06-30-2026.

Dear Chair Lee and Members of the Committee:

My name is Micah Munekata, and I am the Director of Government Affairs at Ulupono Initiative. We are a Hawai'i-focused impact investment firm that strives to improve the quality of life throughout the islands by helping our communities become more resilient and self-sufficient through locally produced food, renewable energy and clean transportation choices, and better management of freshwater resources.

Ulupono supports GM 579, which submits for consideration and confirmation Thomas Noyes to the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Advisory Committee.

Mr. Noyes has served for the last 9 years as executive director of Kaua'i Path, Inc., a nonprofit community organization where he worked to promote and implement key programs for multi-use paths on the island of Kaua'i. He has a history of working closely with the local community to plan, design, and implement key infrastructure projects. This skillset will be an asset for SRTS planning and projects

Ulupono humbly asks this committee and the Legislature for their support of the nomination of Thomas Noyes for the Safe Routes to School Advisory Committee.

Respectfully,

Micah Munekata
Director of Government Affairs

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GM-579

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Testimony for TCA on 4/4/2024 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Chad K Taniguchi	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

Tommy Noyes is a knowledgeable, community-connected, and can-do activist for safe streets and healthy active transportation. Kaua‘i has the Kaua‘i Path and other world-class multi-use/bicycle/walking paths because of his efforts together with his community partners. He works collaboratively with government, schools, business, and volunteers to get buy-in and resources to complete projects that make Kaua‘i and the state safer for active transportaton and recreation.