

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 22 2025

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 735

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water and Land, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 735, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

HAWAI'I COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (KAKAAKO DISTRICT)

G.M. No. 735      MICHAEL CHINA,  
for a term to expire 06-30-2029,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Michael China for service on the Hawai'i Community Development Authority (Kakaako District).

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Michael China from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Hawai'i Community Development Authority; and one individual.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. China's experience, knowledge, proven leadership, and dedication to the redevelopment of the Kakaako Community District qualify him for reappointment to the Hawai'i Community Development Authority. Your Committee notes that Mr. China is currently employed with the Ho'ea Wealth Advisory Group, the only wealth management team from Hawaii to be listed on Forbes' rankings of top wealth management teams. Mr. China is active in his community, serving on the advisory board for McKinley High School's Business Academy. Your Committee finds that Mr. China



has served on the Hawai'i Community Development Authority since 2024, and therefore he thoroughly understands the roles and responsibilities of board members and his knowledge and experience will continue to be assets to the Authority. Your Committee therefore recommends that Michael China be reappointed to the Hawai'i Community Development Authority for matters affecting the Kakaako District based on his experience, knowledge, and commitment to public service.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water and Land that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

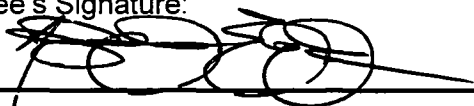
Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Water and Land,

  
LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-Third Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Water and Land**  
**WTL**  
**Advise and Consent**

Governor's Message No.:* <b>GH 735</b>	Committee Referral: <b>WTL</b>	Date: <b>4/9/25</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"><div style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340</div><div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345</div></div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley	✓			
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K.				✓
DECORTE, Samantha	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted</div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"><input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted</div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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