

October 17, 2007

Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson, Committee on Water and Land 415 S. Beretania Street, Room 228 Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Hee:

As a member of the Water and Land committee, I would like to introduce myself to you and be available for any questions in anticipation of a confirmation hearing during the course of a special legislative session.

As you might know, I was recently nominated by Governor Linda Lingle to serve as a member of the State Land Use Commission (LUC). I am interested in serving this vital public service role and look forward to this potential opportunity with a great sense of civic responsibility and duty. Born and raised in Hawaii, I have a vested stake in the future of our community and am committed to providing an objective and balanced point of view to the LUC.

I currently serve as the Executive Director of the Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP), a joint labor-management organization representing the Hawaii Carpenters Union and nearly 220 unionized contractors throughout Hawaii.

During my brief tenure at PRP, the organization has taken an active role in advocating for issues above and beyond the construction industry. In collaboration with industry stakeholders, the State Legislature passed Act 179 which allows oral fluid drug testing for employers in Hawaii making drug testing cheaper and more widespread throughout the workforce. Currently, a growing number of contractors and large employers have already begun implementing oral fluid drug testing programs in the workplace.

In addition, PRP has taken a leadership role in the Sustainability 2050 initiative fostering a dialogue between the business community, Hawaii Institute for Public Affairs, and State Legislature to name a few. Our efforts have strived to approach the concept of sustainability with a balanced outlook to the environment and economy.

As a member of the Nature Conservancy's Council for the Environment and in my role at the Pacific Resource Partnership, I've gained a deep understanding of land use and environmental conservation and the many issues that face our community. I have a great appreciation for the need to look at land use issues from all stakeholder perspectives.

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In addition to the Nature Conservancy, I serve on several non-profit boards dealing with a variety of issues including health and human services, youth-at-risk and affordable housing with Child and Family Services, the Lanakila Rehabilitation Foundation and Housing Hawaii.

I believe these collective experiences, balanced point of view and collaborative approach would enable me to serve the needs of the public as an LUC commissioner. The LUC plays a vital role in shaping future development in Hawaii. This is a responsibility I take very seriously.

Attached is a copy of my resume for your review. If you have any questions regarding my background or qualifications, please contact me directly at 528-5557 or <u>kchock@prp-hawaii.com</u>

Thank you for the opportunity to consider my nomination to the State Land Use Commission.

Aloha.

Kyle Chock Executive Director

# Kyle Chock

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# **EDUCATION**

University of Hawaii at Manoa Master of Public Administration

Bachelor of Education, Secondary Social Studies

### EXPERIENCE

# The Pacific Resource Partnership (2005 – Present)

-Develop and manage programs that support unionized construction, foster strategic relationships with developers and identify new markets for growth

-Support federal, state and county initiatives that strengthen the building industry

·Establish business and educational platforms that benefit all Hawaii residents

-Accomplishments include: Securing \$5.5 million in annual government funding to expand the Construction Academy; leading efforts to support mass transit for Honolulu; and mobilizing industry support for new on-site oral fluid drug testing law.

# AIG Hawaii - Group Sales Account Executive (2005)

-Developed marketing strategies and campaigns for affinity customer groups -Maintained and enhanced positive relationships with corporate affinity groups and partners -Developed new business opportunities through marketing campaigns and promotional events

### Honolulu Community College - Executive Assistant to the Chancellor (2003-2005)

-Coordinated building and construction workforce development initiatives -Developed and secured funding for the Construction Academy pilot program (\$1.3 million federal grant proposal)

-Served as the Chancellor's liaison to the construction, automotive and aviation industries

# Stryker Weiner & Yokota Public Relations, Inc. - Senior Account Executive (2001-2003)

-Provided strategic public relations counsel and related services (media relations, crisis communications, media training, issues management and collateral development) to such clients as Central Pacific Bank, AIG Hawaii, The Estate of James Campbell, Alexander & Baldwin, and U.S. Olympic Triathalon -Represented Central Pacific Bank's unsolicited takeover of City Bank – Hawaii's first unsolicited merger -Assisted with management of agency's corporate and public affairs communications staff

# Office of Council Chairman Jon Yoshimura - Senior Advisor/Legislative Assistant (1997-1999/2001)

-Responsibilities included planning and managing the chairman's legislative agenda -Conducted in-depth public policy research and analysis, and prepared position papers and talking points -Managed local media relations

-Developed public policy related to Waikiki redevelopment, Police Chief term limits, and total smoking ban. Also spearheaded development plans for Oahu and the establishment of the Legislative Auditor -Served as the chairman's liaison to numerous economic and community associations such as chambers of commerce, neighborhood boards, Honolulu Board of Realtors, etc.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE AND AWARDS

Lanakila Rehabilitation Foundation, Board of Directors

Child & Family Service, Board of Directors

The Nature Conservancy Corporate Council for the Environment

Housing Hawaii, Board of Directors

Public Relations Society of America (Hawaii Chapter) Koa Anvil Award of Excellence – AIG Hawaii Hot Spots Public Awareness Program

# **IRON WORKERS STABILIZATION FUND**

October 22, 2007

Hon. Clayton Hee, Chair, and Committee Members Committee on Water and Land Hawaii Senate State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Support for Kyle Chock for Land Use Commission

Dear Chair Hee and Committee Members:

On behalf of the Ironworkers Stabilization Fund, I would like to go on record to fully support the appointment of Kyle Chock to be a member of the State Land Use Commission.

As much as any other state board or commission, I believe it is necessary to have labor represented to give balance to the State Land Use Commission. The appointment of Mr. Chock to this important commission would give labor a voice in all of the critical decisions that will be made in the future, affecting the people of Hawaii.

Besides being in labor, Mr. Chock's resume shows that he has a well-rounded educational and work background. Given an opportunity, he will serve the people of Hawaii well.

Sincerely

T. George Paris Managing Director



# INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BRIDGE, STRUCTURAL, ORNAMENTAL AND REINFORCING IRON WORKERS

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October 22, 2007

Hon. Clayton Hee, Chair, and Committee Members Committee on Water and Land Hawaii Senate State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Support of Kyle Chock for Land Use Commission

Dear Chair Hee and Committee Members:

On behalf of the Ironworkers Union, Local 625, I write to support the appointment of Kyle Chock to be a member of the State Land Use Commission.

Being a labor leader, it may be construed that it would be natural for me to support another labor leader. However, I believe I can objectively argue for Mr. Chock's appointment because he is a well-rounded individual who has also served in government, the Honolulu Community College System, in sales and in public relations. Given the opportunity, he will serve the citizens of our state well and with distinction.

Please consider my thoughts in your deliberations.

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Lincoln Naiwi President



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October 22, 2007

Hon. Clayton Hee, Chair, and Committee Members Committee on Water and Land Hawaii Senate State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

### Re: Support of Kyle Chock for Land Use Commission

Dear Chair Hee and Committee Members:

I write to you as the Financial Secretary/Business Manager of the Ironworkers Union, Local 625, and support the appointment of Kyle Chock to be a member of the State Land Use Commission.

Having been born and raised in Hawaii, Mr. Chock is cognizant of the needs of our people. Combining his Kamaaina roots, his educational background including a Public Administration Master Degree, and his wide work experience, I believe Mr. Chock can contribute much to help the commission in arriving at well thought out land use decisions for our people.

Please confirm Mr. Chock's appointment.

Sincerely,

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Joe O'Donnell Financial Secretary/Business Manager

### Stanley M. Kuriyama 4656 Aukai Avenue Honolulu, HI 96816

October 22, 2007

#### Via Fax: 808-586-7334

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

#### Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee and Members of the Committee on Water and Land:

I am submitting this testimony in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

I have known Kyle in various social and professional capacities for several years, and can personally attest to Kyle's character and his qualifications for the position. Kyle has certain key attributes that will make him a valuable contributor to the important work of the Land Use Commission:

- He has strong legislative work experience, which has provided him with a thorough working knowledge of the legislative process, and familiarity with the interpretation and application of laws and rules. From this experience, he has also derived a full appreciation of value of public input, and the need to protect the community's interests in one's action and decisions.
- Kyle's leadership experience at Pacific Resource Partnership, and his work for the Chancellor of the Honolulu Community College, have allowed him to develop a deep understanding of the need to balance the varying interests of the public and the business community.
- Kyle's extensive service to non-profit organizations, including the Nature Conservancy's Council for the Environment, has allowed him to interact with a broad cross-section of our Hawaiian community, and to appreciate the critical importance of protecting our environment and serving our 'ohana.

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Above all, however, Kyle is a person of the highest integrity, who cares deeply about Hawaii and its future. He will be a major asset to the Land Use Commission, and serve the public with great dedication. For these reasons, I respectfully ask for your support of Kyle Chock's nomination.

Sincerely,

Stanley M. Kuriyama / on

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Anthony R. Guerrero, Jr. Vice Chairman Retail Banking Group

October 19, 2007

The Honorable Clayton Hee Chairperson on the Committee on Water and Land The State Senate Hawaii State Capitol, Rm 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Hee and the Members of the Committee on Water and Land:

RE: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the State Land Use Commission

It is with pleasure that I submit this letter in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

I have known Kyle for 15 years on a personal and professional level. Over the years, I have found Kyle to be a caring and compassionate person with a deep commitment to his family, friends, business associates, and the community.

I met Kyle while I was president of the St. Louis Education Foundation. At that time, he was the executive director of the Foundation and did an outstanding job in not only bringing in new donors but in spreading the St. Louis story. Since then, I have kept track of Kyle while he had other positions such as senior advisor to Council Chair Jon Yoshimura and while he worked on the staff at Stryker Weiner & Yokota Public Relations as a senior account executive, and his most recent job with The Pacific Resource Partnership.

Kyle and I have had a few meetings discussing the various challenging on how to improve our community. I feel that with his background working at the City Council and his current position as head of The Pacific Resource Partnership, he definitely has the knowledge of being a contributing member of the State Land Use Commission. I wholeheartedly recommend that Kyle Chock be confirmed as a member of the State Land Use Commission. If you have any questions, please call me at 525-6344.

Sincerely,

Vice Chairman

October 17, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Via Fax: 808-586-7330 Via Email: hee1@capitol.hawaii.gov

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee And Members of the Committee on Water and Land

I am honored to write this letter of support for the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

Kyle's background and experience in local and State Government and his present role with Pacific Resources, Inc. qualifies him to serve on the LUC. In his capacity as the Executive Director for PRI, he has the awesome responsibility of assisting our State economy in stimulating the construction labor unions and industry. During his tenure working with the Honolulu City Council, he was a dedicated public servant who effectively served the needs of Hawaii residents. Because of his experience with the City, he also has a strong understanding of the governmental process and public policymaking. These will be critical skills that will further serve our community well.

As a member of the Nature Conservancy's Council for the Environment and in his role with the Pacific Resource Partnership, Kyle has gained a deep understanding of land use and environmental conservation and the many issues that face our community. This experience also has given Kyle the unique opportunity to view land use issues from both the preservation and development perspectives. And he has a great appreciation for the need to look at land use issues from all stakeholder perspectives.

And finally, Kyle has proven himself to have a strong commitment to community through his volunteer work. In addition to the Nature Conservancy, he has worked on a variety of issues including health and human services, youth-at-risk and affordable housing during his service with Child and Family Services, the Lanakila Rehabilitation Foundation and Housing Hawaii. Kyle has truly made a positive difference in the lives of many people in our community, and he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Very truly,

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Robbie Cabral

October 21, 2007

The Honorable Clayton Hee Chairperson Senate Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Via Email: hee1@capitol.hawaii.gov

### Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee and Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land:

It's a pleasure to support the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

While I knew Kyle when he worked on the City Council and in his current role with the Pacific Resource Partnership, I got to know Kyle more deeply during a government/private sector trip last year to multiple mainland cities to learn about Transit Oriented Development. Throughout the intense week-long trip, Kyle's insights on economic, land use, and environment issues make me confident that he has the right background to serve on the LUC, a body that must contemplate complex issues and make sound decisions. It was clear to me that he stays current on trends and understands that Hawaii can draw on the experiences of other counties, states, and even nations on making sound land use policy for the future of our Islands.

His serving on the Boards of Child & Family Services, Lanikila Rehabilitation Foundation, and Housing Hawaii, shows his commitment to children, seniors, and affordable housing – all critical need areas to focus on for the future of our state. I also believe that his public relations background, along with his first-hand knowledge of governmental processes, will be helpful to the Commission, which often must address contentious issues that require effective community and agency communication and coordination. In his policy role as a member, I'm confident that with this experience, he can provide suggestions and guidance to LUC staff to help the agency achieve its mission and work in a most effective fashion.

On a personal side, I find Kyle to be a person of unquestioned integrity. He is committed and sincere in a desire to better our communities. His first question isn't "what's in it for me?", but rather, "is this good for Hawaii?"

Kyle will make a terrific LUC member and deserves your support.

Mahalo,

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October 22, 2007

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Via Fax: 808-586-7334 Via Email: <u>heel@capitol.hawaii.gov</u>

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Dear Chairperson Hee and Members of the Committee on Water and Land:

I am submitting this testimony in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

Kyle's background and experience will bring added value to the LUC.

During his tenure working with the Honolulu City Council, he was a dedicated public servant who effectively served the needs of Hawaii residents. Because of his experience with the City, he also has a strong understanding of the governmental process and public policymaking.

In addition to his technical knowledge and professional background, Kyle's reputation for integrity, fairness and objectivity are assets he brings to his service on the LUC.

As a member of the Nature Conservancy's Council for the Environment and in his role with the Pacific Resource Partnership, Kyle has gained a deep understanding of land use and environmental conservation and the many issues that face our community. This experience also has given Kyle the unique opportunity to view land use issues from both the preservation and development perspectives. And he has a great appreciation for the need to look at land use issues from all stakeholder perspectives.

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his service with Child and Family Services, the Lanakila Rehabilitation Foundation and Housing Hawaii.

Kyle has truly made a positive difference in the lives of many people in our community, and he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

I strongly urge your confirmation of his nomination.

Sincerely. AMITALA Lorraine H. Akiba

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### Via Email (heel@capitol.hawaii.gov)

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Dear Chairperson Hee and Members of the Committee on Water and Land:

It gives me great pleasure to submit this letter in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

I have been fortunate to have known Kyle for over ten years on a personal and professional level. In that time, I have found Kyle to be a caring, compassionate person with a deep commitment to his family, friends, business associates and the community. One of Kyle's greatest personal traits is his sense of integrity. He has always been open, honest and willing to stand by his commitments.

In all of his various responsibilities as a community volunteer, businessperson and public servant, Kyle has also demonstrated a deep sense of fairness, common sense and good judgment.

I sincerely believe that Kyle will be a wonderful appointee to the Land Use Commission, as he has technical knowledge of land use, the environment and public policy and has strong personal character.

Thank you for your consideration. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call on me.

Sincerely, HARRISON & MATSUOKA

KEITH A MATSUOKA

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October 19, 2007

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The Honorable Jill Tokuda Hawaii State Capitol, Room 218 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

The Honorable Carol Fukunaga Hawaii State Capitol, Room 216 415 South Berctania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

The Honorable Sam Slom Hawaii State Capitol, Room 222 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

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Dear Chairperson Hee and Members of the Committee on Water and Land:

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In my experience, Kyle has proven himself to be very knowledgeable in the areas of land use and the environment. He also has a great understanding and appreciation of the needs of the community and Hawaii residents.

His leadership and commitment has served Hawaii well over the years, and I know that he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

HAWAIIAN DREDGING CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.

William J. Wilso President

# Hawail Vinyl Fencing INC.

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The Honorable Senator Clayton Hec Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Berstania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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His leadership and commitment has served Hawali well over the years and I know that he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely

Peter Melnyk President/CEO Hawaii Vinyl Fencing Inc. Board of Directors, BIA Hawaii 2004 -2007 Hawaii Remodelers Council Chairman 2003-2007

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October 18, 2007

### (VIA FACSIMILE AND U.S. MAIL)

Senator Clayton Hee Chair, Water and Land Committee Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

### Re: <u>Nomination of Kyle Chock to Land Use Commission</u>

Dear Senator Hee:

I am writing in support of Kyle Chock's nomination to the Land Use Commission. I have known Kyle for over five years, and I believe that he is highly qualified to serve on the Land Use Commission.

I met Kyle when he was working with the Honolulu City Council in 2002. From my first meeting with Kyle, I recognized that he had analytical, leadership, and people skills that would make him an invaluable asset to whatever type of endeavor he sought to make a contribution. Practically everybody that came into contact with Kyle recognized that he possessed a quiet confidence and a willingness to listen, and we all believed he was destined to do great things for Hawaii.

I have followed Kyle's career path with interest, and I was aware of the excellent work he performed on behalf of his clients while at the Stryker Weiner & Yokota firm as well as his accomplishments while serving as the Executive Assistant to the Chancellor at Honolulu Community College. In particular, I know from first hand experience that Kyle was instrumental in securing the funding for the Construction Academy, which has served as a model for similar projects across the country.

In 2005, Kyle assumed leadership of the Pacific Resource Partnership, where he has successfully continued his efforts to expand well-planned construction opportunities that will provide much needed housing and high paying jobs for local residents. As expected, Kyle has blossomed into a top notch leader, who knows how to get things done. He is able to bring diverse and potentially antagonistic parties together, and his abilities as a consensus builder will serve him well on the Land Use Commission. Senator Clayton Hee October 18, 2007 Page Two

Although Kyle's position has made him familiar with the needs of the construction industry, he is truly a keiki o ka 'aina who understands the importance of balancing the need for housing/development with the need to keep Hawaii green and open. Kyle's involvement with the Nature Conservancy's Council for the Environment has made him familiar with the need for open space which will help preserve Hawaii's natural resources for future generations.

In summary, Kyle has the ideal background to serve as a steward of our 'aina, and I have no doubt that he will make all of us proud if he is confirmed as a member of the Land Use Commission.

I urge your Committee and the entire Senate to support Kyle's nomination. Thank you for allowing me to submit this testimony.

Very truly yours,

Andrew S. Winer



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His leadership and commitment has served Hawaii well over the years and I know that he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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John Cheung President

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One of his greatest personal traits is his sense of integrity. You can always count on Kyle to be open, honest and stand by his commitments.

In all of his various responsibilities, as a community volunteer, businessperson and public servant, Kyle has also demonstrated a sense of fairness, common sense and good judgment.

When selecting someone to serve on the Land Use Commission, you should look for someone with technical knowledge about land use, the environment and public policy. But perhaps more importantly, you must find candidates with strong personal character.

It is because of these traits that I am confident that Kyle Chock will be a great asset to the Land Use Commission and our community.

Sincerely,

RALPH S. INOUYE CO., LTD.

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Lance M. Inouye President

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I have known Mr. Chock for a number of years in his present capacity as Executive Director of The Pacific Resource Partnership organization. He has proven himself to be knowledgeable in a variety of areas and has an understanding and appreciation of the needs of our community.

I am confident that Mr. Chock will do well as a member of the Land Use Commission and I thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Steven Hidano, President

Cc: Senator Jill Tokuda, Vice Chairperson Senator Carol Fukunaga Senator Sam Slom

via Fax: 587-7220 via Fax: 526-6899 via Fax: 586-8426



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I know Mr. Chock has a strong commitment to community issues and he has an understanding of the governmental process and public policy making. I am confident that Mr. Chock will do well as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Senator Jill Tokuda, Vice Chairperson Senator Carol Fukunaga Senator Sam Slom

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# International Union of Painters and Allied Trades District Council 50

October 18, 2007

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During his tenure working with the Honolulu City Council, he was a dedicated public servant who effectively served the needs of Hawaii residents. It was through this experience with the City, that Kyle gained a strong understanding of the governmental process and public policymaking. These critical skills will serve him well as he tackles the complex issues that face the Land Use Commission.

As a member of the Nature Conservancy's Council for the Environment and in his role with the Pacific Resource Partnership, Kyle has gained a deep understanding of the delicate balance between efficient and effective land use and its resulting environmental considerations. Accordingly he has a great appreciation for the need to look at land use issues from all stakeholder perspectives.

And finally, Kyle has proven himself to have a strong commitment to community through his volunteer work. In addition to the Nature Conservancy, he has worked on a variety of issues including health and human services, youth-at-risk and affordable housing during his service with Child and Family Services, the Lanakila Rehabilitation Foundation and Housing Hawaii.

Kyle has truly made a positive difference in the lives of many people in our community, and he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Lynn Kinney Business Manager – Secretary Treasurer



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October 18, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Via Fax: 808-586-7330 Via Email: heel@capitol.hawaii.gov

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee And Members of the Committee on Water and Land

My name is Darrell S. Goo and I am the President of the General Contractors Association (GCA), an organization comprised of over five hundred-fifty (550) general contractors, subcontractors and construction related firms, writing in support of the Senate's confirmation of Kyle Chock as a member of the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

Kyle's background and experience make him well qualified to serve on the LUC.

During his tenure working with the Honolulu City Council, he was a dedicated public servant who effectively served the needs of Hawaii residents. Because of his experience with the City, he also has a strong understanding of the governmental process and public policymaking. These will be critical skills that will further serve our community well.

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Sincerely,

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October 18, 2007

Senator Clayton Hee, Chair Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Chair Hee and members of the Committee on Water and Land, I am Amy Hirano of Pacific Management Consultants, Inc. testifying in support of Kyle Chock's nomination to the Land Use Commission.

I have worked with Mr. Chock for the last two years and have found him to be of impeccable character. In our frequent meetings, he has been exemplary in keeping his word and following through on tasks agreed upon. He is always a "go to" person.

Fairness and balance of action are key components of Kyle's approach to problems. He always listens to both sides of issues before making a commitment to support. I find this especially significant in a person as young as Kyle.

In his capacity as the Executive Director of Pacific Resource Partnership, Kyle has demonstrated his knowledge in the areas of land use and the environment. He also understands that Hawaii needs to continue to balance the needs of the people with the demands of growth.

I am honored to testify in support of Mr. Kyle Chock.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



October 18, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson *Committee on Water and Land* Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania St. Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee and Members of the Committee on Water and Land:

My name is Glenn Nohara and I am president of Koga Engineering and Construction, Inc. We have been in business in Hawaii for 33 years and employ over 100 people.

I am submitting this testimony in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission (LUC). Mr. Chock's background and experience make him well qualified to serve on the LUC.

His tenures in the both the private sector (AIG Hawaii, Stryker Weiner & Yokota, and The Pacific Resource Partnership) and the public sector (Honolulu Community College and Office of Council Chairperson Jon Yoshimura) and his volunteerism (Lanakila Rehabilitation Foundation, Child & Family Service, The Nature Conservancy, and Housing Hawaii) have given him the exposure needed to make well informed unbiased decisions on the very important issues that come before the Land Use Commission. More importantly, he has consistently had a positive impact on all the groups he has been associated with and we know the same will be true with the LUC.

We strongly support the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission and respectfully ask that this Committee confirm his nomination.

Yours truly,

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Glenn M. Nohara President

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The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee, Chair Committee on Water and Land Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

Via Fax: 808-586-7330 Via Email: hee1@capitol.Hawaii.gov

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Senator Hee and Members of the Committee on Water and Land:

It gives me great pleasure to submit this letter in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawai'i State Land Use Commission.

I have been fortunate to have known Kyle for 3 years on a personal and professional level. And in that time I have found Kyle to be a caring, compassionate person with a deep commitment to his family, friends, business associates and the community.

One of his greatest personal traits is his sense of integrity. You can always count on Kyle to be open, honest and to stand by his commitments.

In all of his various responsibilities as a community volunteer, businessperson and public servant, Kyle has also demonstrated a sense of fairness, common sense and good judgment.

When selecting someone to serve on the Land Use Commission, you should look for someone with technical knowledge about land use, the environment and public policy. But perhaps more importantly, you must find candidates with strong personal character.

It is because of these traits that I am confident that Kyle Chock will be a great asset to the Land Use Commission and our community.

Sincerely,

Kip Kamoto



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October 19, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee:

I am writing to offer my strong support to Mr. Kyle Chock, nominee for the Hawai'i State Land Use Commission. I have known Kyle for a little over two years; since I assumed the position of Chancellor at the University of Hawai'i, West O'ahu (UHWO). We have met frequently to discuss issues related to the development of the UHWO's new campus project in Kapolei. I've come to respect Kyle's thoughtful and even handed ability to deal with complex and politically charged planning issues. It's clear from my interactions with Kyle that he will be a tremendous asset to the Land Use Commission. His integrity is unquestioned and he has a rare ability to clear away unessential information and get to the heart of matters quickly.

Kyle also has a wonderful way about him. He makes whomever he interacts with feel respected and heard. I have tremendous regard for Kyle. He is fair-minded, compassionate, and perhaps most importantly he has an unwavering commitment to be of service to Hawai'i and its people.

Kyle clearly has the qualities that will honor the public trust. I therefore commend him to you with my highest assurances. Please feel free to contact should you have any questions.

Sincerest regards,

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Gene I. Awakuni Chancellor



October 19, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 VIA FACSIMILE: 808-586-7334 VIA E-MAIL: hee1@capitol.hawaii.gov

#### RE: NOMINATION OF KYLE CHOCK TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION

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Thanks for your kind consideration of these matters.

Very truly yours,

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Kyle has truly made a positive difference in the lives of many people in our community, and he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

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Stanley Hong 4976 Poola Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96821 shong@hawaii.rr.com

October 19, 2007

Senator Clayton Hee Chair, Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Aloha Senator Hee:

Chairman Hee and members of the Committee on Water and Land, my name is Stanley Hong testifying in strong support of Mr. Kyle Chock to the State Land Use Commission.

I've known Kyle Chock for nearly 10 years and no longer consider him a leader of tomorrow –but leader of today. During his professional career, Mr. Chock has held a number of both public and private sector jobs. These various career experiences have provided the necessary experience to serve on the LUC.

I have worked closely with Kyle through the years and can attest to his character and ability to get the job done. We currently serve together on The Nature Conservancy's Corporate Council for the environment and the board of Child and Family Services. Kyle is an active leader in both organizations and will undoubtedly make similar contributions to the LUC.

I am impressed with Mr. Chock's ability to balance the many constituencies he currently represents as the Executive Director of the Pacific Resource Partnership. His role in balancing the needs of both labor and management will lend itself to making decisions at the LUC.

I believe Kyle will provide an objective and balanced point of view to the commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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### October 20, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Via Fax: 808-586-7330 Via Email: hee1@capitol.hawaii.gov

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee And Members of the Committee on Water and Land

I am submitting this testimony in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

I have been fortunate to have known Kyle for over 4 years on a personal and professional level. And in that time I have found Kyle to be a caring, compassionate person with a deep commitment to his family, friends, business associates and the community.

One of his greatest personal traits is his sense of integrity. You can always count on Kyle to be open, honest and stand by his commitments.

In my experience, Kyle has proven himself to be very knowledgeable in the areas of land use and the environment. He also has a great understanding and appreciation of the needs of the community and Hawaii residents.

When selected someone to serve on the Land Use Commission, you should look for someone with technical knowledge about land use, the environment and public policy. But perhaps more importantly, you must find candidates with strong personal character.

Kyle has truly made a positive difference in the lives of many people in our community, and he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

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October 18, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee And Members of the Committee on Water and Land

My name is Lance Wilhelm, Sr. Vice President of Kiewit Building Group Inc. I submit this testimony in strong support of Kyle Chock's nomination to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission and I do so with the utmost confidence that he will be a worthy addition to this important state commission.

In the years that I have known Kyle, I have found him to be a diligent, compassionate and capable leader who possesses the intelligence and technical knowledge relevant to land use, the environment and public policy.

Integrity and uprightness portray his character. You can always count on Kyle to be open, honest and to stand by his commitments.

In all of his various responsibilities, as a community volunteer, businessperson and public servant, Kyle has also demonstrated a sense of fairness, common sense and good judgment.

It is because of these traits that I am confident that Kyle Chock will be a great asset to the Land Use Commission and our community.

Sincerely,

Lance K. Wilhelm

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Hawaii State Senate 2007 Special Session October 24, 2007

Water and Land Committee The Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair The Honorable Russell S. Kokubun, Vice Chair

In Consideration of Kyle Chock for the Land Use Commission

Chair Hee, Vice Chair Kokubun, and members of the Water and Land Committee. I am honored to present testimony in favor of the confirmation of Kyle Chock for the Land Use Commission.

Kyle has been a Director of the Lanakila Rehabilitation Center Foundation Board since August 2006. In this short period of time, Kyle has been an active participant of the board, contributing to the Marketing, Nominations and Investment committees. He has also been very helpful offering advice and assistance on various community matters as they impact Lanakila's programs – meals on wheels, adult day services, and workforce development.

I have come to appreciate the depth of Kyle's knowledge and experience in various community sectors, and am confident he will bring the same level of enthusiasm and thoughtfulness to the Land Use Commission as he has to the Foundation Board.

Thank you for your consideration of my support for Kyle.

Sincerely, Marian E. Tsuii President & CEO





W. David P. Carey III President & Chief Executive Officer

October 22, 2007

VIA FAX: (808) 586-7334

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hec Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol – Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

#### Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Senator Hee and Committee Members:

I would like to add my personal endorsement in support of Kyle Chock's nomination to the State Land Use Commission.

I have worked with Kyle in a variety of community and business projects over the years, and found him to be intelligent, knowledgeable and caring individual.

I encourage you to support his nomination.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely Sand Plany I

----Original Message----From: Laure S Burke [mailto:lsburke@hawaii.edu] Sent: Monday, October 22, 2007 4:31 PM To: heel - Sesnita Subject: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

October 22, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairperson Hee And Members of the Committee on Water and Land

I am writing this letter in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

I have been fortunate to know Kyle for four years on a personal and professional level. In that brief period of time, I have found Kyle to be a caring, compassionate person wit a deep commitment to his family, friends, business associates, and the community.

One of Kyle's greatest personal traits is his sense of integrity. While working on several large-scale initiatives within the University of Hawai'i Community College Syste I could count on Kyle to be open, honest and dedicated to the commitments he made to me and to my colleagues.

I have been following Kyle in his professional work as a community volunteer, businessperson and public servant. Kyle has consistently demonstrated a sense of fairness, common sense and good judgment.

When selected someone to serve on the Land Use Commission, you should look for someone with technical knowledge about land use, the environment and public policy. But perhaps more importantly, you must find candidates with strong personal character.

It is because of these traits that I am confident that Kyle Chock will be a great asset the Land Use Commission and our community.

Sincerely,

Laure S. Burke, CHE Assistant Professor Kapi'olani Community College, University of Hawai'i 4303 Diamond Head Rd. Honolulu, HI 96816

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October 22, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Via Fax: 808-586-7330 Via Email: hee1@capitol.hawaii.gov

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

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Dear Chairperson Hee And Members of the Committee on Water and Land

It is an honor to submit this letter of support for the nomination of Mr. Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

I have been fortunate to have known Kyle, both on a personal and professional level. My personal observation of Kyle is that he is very committed to the community and firmly believes in developing the right legacy for his family, friends, business associates and the community.

His strong sense of integrity and to do what is right is admirable, and I have always found Kyle to be open, honest and to stand by his commitments. Further, Kyle has the ability to balance himself, and never prejudges any issues. He is careful, methodical, and believes in fairness; most importantly, what is right for the community and the public.

Kyle's experience will certainly benefit the Land Use Commission, as he has always shown a sense of balance in public policy and is aware of about land use, the environment and public policy. For areas that are new to Kyle, he is a quick learner and will be an asset to the Land Use Commission.

Senator Hee and the Committee members, I respectfully request your support of Mr. Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission.

Sincerely

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND:

Senator Clayton Hee, Chair, Senator Russell Kokubun, Vice Chair Members: Senator Carol Fukunaga, Senator Jill Tokuda, Senator Paul Whalen.

#### TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF MS LAURA H. THIELEN:

Héaring Date: Time: Place:

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Wednesday, October 24, 2007 10:30 AM Auditorium State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 25

Subject: Supporting Mr. Kyle Chock for Consideration and Confirmation as a member of the Land Use Commission of the Department of Land and Natural Resources, State of Hawaii.

Chair Hee, Vice Chair Kokubun and members of the Committee on Water and Land:

The Hawaii Laborers'-Employers Cooperation and Education Trust (HI LECET) submits testimony in strong support of Mr. Kyle Chock for the appointment as a member of the Land Use Commission of the Department of Land and Natural Resources, State of Hawaii.

We believe Mr. Kyle Chock will provide insight and leadership as a commissioner to the Land Use Commission of the State of Hawaii. His achievements, experience, and involvement with Hawaii's challenges with land and environmental issues will bring a positive perspective and leadership to the Department.

Thank you for the opportunity to present our support for Mr. Kyle Chock and we ask for your affirmative advice and consent on his nomination.

Sincerely,

Junes I. Kuroiwa, Jr.



October 19, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Via Fax: 808-586-7330 Via Email: hee1@capitol.hawaii.gov

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October 23, 2007

The Honorable Clayton Hee Chairperson Senate Committee on Water and Land Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

Chair Hee and Members of the Committee:

RE: Kyle Chock-Gubernatorial Nominee to the Land Use Commission

Thank you for this opportunity to express my full support of the appointment of Kyle Chock to the State Land Use Commission.

I have known Kyle for nearly a decade, and interacted with him in both professional and social settings. I believe that Kyle will make excellent contributions as a Land Use Commissioner because of his thorough knowledge of the governmental processes and our communities across the state. He is smart and an excellent communicator and, having worked in both the government and private sector, Kyle possesses a balanced perspective that will be extremely valuable in this position.

Kyle is also a 'keiki o ka aina', with a deep passion for his home state. He has volunteered his time to help a number of non-profits in the community—including The Nature Conservancy of Hawaii, where I was a trustee and Kyle helped to head the Corporate Council for the Environment effort. Despite a very high volume of causes he takes on —in business, government and community arenas—Kyle consistently produces results, never shying away from positions of responsibility.

For all these reasons, I urge your confirmation of Kyle Chock as a member of the State Land Use Commission. We are indeed very fortunate to have someone of Kyle's caliber and commitment willing to donate his time to serve the people of this state in this capacity.

Sincerely,

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October 23, 2007

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The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Via Fax: 808-586-7330 Via Email: hee1@capitol.hawaii.gov

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee And Members of the Committee on Water and Land

I am submitting this testimony in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission. I am Ramsey Pedersen, Chancellor of Honolulu Community College. My support for Mr. Chock comes from my responsibility as a private citizen, and should not be construed as testimony by the University of Hawaii.

Mr. Chock served as the Executive Assistant working with me daily from 2003-2005. During that period, I found him to be capable, dedicated, resourceful, and community oriented. Kyle and I created the concept of the Construction Academy to meet local industry needs and give Hawaii's students a proper education in construction technologies. The program has grown from its initial enrollment of 780 to over 1400 students at 14 high schools on Oahu, three on Maui, and three on the Big Island.

In dealing with the construction workforce crisis, we also worked to expand apprenticeship services to the industry at Honolulu Community College. We have expanded to over 3,50 apprentices enrolled. Kyle was a big part of planning that ramping up of services. He was also our legislative liaison, coordinator of UH Foundation campaigns, and worked on the internal reorganization of the college. Kyle has strong strategic planning skills and is excellent in dealing with civic and public issues.

Kyle's background and experience make him well qualified to serve on the LUC. He has served as staff to the Chairman of the City Council, was a senior account executive at Stryker, Weiner & Yokota Public Relations, Inc., worked in marketing and customer service at AIG Hawaii, and has served as the Executive Director of the Pacific Resource Partnership.

Some may feel Mr. Chock's position with the construction industry would taint his vision of the public good. His community service suggests otherwise. His service to the Nature Conservancy speaks of the balance in his perspective. His is an ethical, fair-minded individual who will follow the law and do what's right for the State of Hawaii.

He comes to this position with a great deal of experience for his years and a solid track record of dealing with ethics, courage, and sound judgment.

I strongly support Kyle Chock's nomination and recommend his appointment to the Land Use Commission.

Sincerely,

Ramsey R. Pedersen



October 19, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chariperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Via Email: <u>heel@capitol.hawaii.gov</u>

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee and members of the Committee on Water and Land

It is with deep sincerity that I write this letter in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the State Land Use Commission.

I've known Kyle since 2004. He has a great appreciation and compassion for those in his community. Our organization learned of his compassion integrity when he reached out to assist us when our clubhouse needed repair. It is my understanding that he has no relative in the 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion Veterans club, but out sheer compassion and unconditional support he offered his kokua to this organization. He's visited us on many occasions just to spend time with us. His compassion and dedication is so refreshing and sincere.

Kyle has been a blessing to our club and our community. I know that he will prove to be a vital asset as a member of the Land Use Commission.

For Continuing Service,

## Robert Arakaki

President 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion Veterans October 23, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Senate Water and Land Committee Hearing

Aloha Chairman Hee and members of the Committee on Water and Land,

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Kyle has truly made a positive difference in the lives of many people in our community, and he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Aloha Pumehana,

Keala Chock

## WILLIAM W. PATY

October 23, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Mr. Chairman, members:

My name is Bill Paty and I am in support of the confirmation of Kyle Chock as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Finding the right kind of person with experience with land use issues, government operations and environmental concerns to serve as an effective member of the LUC is not easy. I believe we have one in Kyle Chock.

In addition, his administrative experience and proven ability to work well with diverse groups will serve him well dealing with the LUC agenda as well as with committee staff members.

I would strongly recommend your favorable action on his nomination.

Sincerely,

William W. Paty

O.K. Stender Real Estate Consultant & Broker

October 22, 2007

The Honorable Clayton Hee, Chairman Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

#### Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission

Dear Senator Hee:

My name is Oswald Stender, and I am currently a trustee at the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. I am submitting this testimony in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission. Kyle's background and experience make him well qualified to serve on the Commission.

During his tenure working with the Honolulu City Council, he was a dedicated public servant who effectively served the needs of Hawaii residents. Because of his experience with the City, he also has a strong understanding of the governmental process and public policy making. These will be critical skills that will further serve our community well.

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Sincerely Oswald K/Stehder

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Karen Piltz 55 S. Judd St., #903 Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

October 24, 2007

The Honorable Clayton Hee and Committee Members Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Senate, State Capitol 415 S. Beretania St., Rm. 228 Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Hee and Committee Members:

Re: Consideration and Confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee Kyle James Kaleo Chock

I am writing in support of Kyle James Kaleo Chock in his nomination to the Land Use Commission.

A Land Use Commissioner must be able to weigh very complex issues judiciously and with equity. I believe that Mr. Chock brings those attributes to the commission. On a daily basis, Mr. Chock must weed through complicated issues daily while maintaining a sense of balance in his decision making. These components are very important given the complex nature of the issues that one faces at the Land Use Commission.

I have known Kyle on both a personal and professional level for several years. Kyle is very caring and compassionate with a strong work ethic and lots of personal integrity. Kyle is passionate about the need to balance Hawaii's growth with the needs and concerns of keeping Hawaii a special place to live and work. He has a very strong commitment to sustain, cultivate and promote the Hawaiian culture, which is a very important component when making decisions about land use.

I believe that Kyle James Kaleo Chock has the passion and ability to help steer the Land Use Commission into the future. I respectfully ask that you support his confirmation as a nominee to the Land Use Commission

Very truly yours,

Karen Piltz

October 18, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee And Members of the Committee on Water and Land

I am writing this letter in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the State Land Use Commission.

In my experience, Kyle has proven himself to be very knowledgeable in the areas of land use and the environment. He also has a great understanding and appreciation of the needs of the community and Hawaii residents.

His leadership and commitment has served Hawaii well over the years and I know that he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lee D. Donohue Chief of Police (retired) Honolulu Police Department

# HAWAII CARPENTERS UNION

UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF CARPENTERS AND JOINERS OF AMERICA, LOCAL 745

October 23, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairman Hee, and members of the Committee on Water and Land:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this letter of strong support for the confirmation of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

I am the Financial Secretary and Business Representative of the Hawaii Carpenters Union, Local 745. As part of my duties, I work with Kyle on a regular basis on matters and issues that affect jobs for our members and signatory contractors across the state.

Our union, our industry, and certainly our community, have already benefitted greatly from his reasonable, balanced advocacy of quality development and economic growth in our neighborhoods. In fact, Kyle's local roots, education, and previous employment history speaks highly of his love for our islands and his cooperative approach to problem-solving.

Kyle possesses keen legislative skills developed as a senior advisor on public land policy and master planning for Oahu and Waikiki at the City Council level. He has a record of success at the State Legislature, including helping to establish and obtain annual funding for the Construction Academy program at Hawaii high schools.

In addition, Kyle's effective lobbying on behalf of our industry during the last legislative session resulted in an amendment to Hawaii's drug testing regulations. As a result, building contractors and other employers can now administer fast, economical

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oral fluid drug screening to detect and deter drug abuse at work sites throughout the state.

Kyle has proven to be an imaginative, articulate and relentless advocate for all working men and women from the helm of the Pacific Resource Partnership. Teamwork is evident throughout Kyle's professional career, including liaison to economic and community associations and boards on every island.

He has managed crisis communications and medial relations, developed marketing and new business strategies, and testified before numerous state, county and federal boards, councils, committees and hearings. And he has always done so with composure and evenhandedness, with homework done, and with the common good above all else.

The crucial issues and controversies facing the State's preeminent land use authority, now and in the days to come, demand members of the highest foresight and sensitivity.

I speak on behalf of the 7500 members of the Hawaii Carpenters Union, that Kyle Chock has the experience, intellect, analytical skills, resourcefulness and energy, to be an outstanding guardian of the lands we build on, the *aina* that is Hawaii's most precious natural asset.

Thank you for your consideration of my personal and professional endorsement of Kyle Chock's abilities and character, and why I feel he deserves confirmation to the State Land Use Commission.

Sincerely,

Ronald I. Taketa Financial Secretary and Business Representative

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October 25, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Via Fax: 808-586-7334

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

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His leadership and commitment has served Hawaii well over the years and I know that he will continue to serve Hawaii well as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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### TESTIMONY OF MURRAY TOWILL PRESIDENT HAWAI'I HOTEL & LODGING ASSOCIATION

### October 25, 2007

### RE: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, KYLE JAMES KALEO CHOCK, for a term to expire 6-30-2010.

Good Afternoon Chairman Hee and members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land. I am Murray Towill, President of the Hawai'i Hotel & Lodging Association.

The Hawai'i Hotel & Lodging Association is a statewide association of hotels, condominiums, timeshare companies, management firms, suppliers, and other related firms and individuals. Our membership includes over 170 hotels representing over 47,300 rooms. Our hotel members range from the 2,523 rooms of the Hilton Hawaiian Village to the 4 rooms of the Bougainvillea Bed & Breakfast on the Big Island.

The Hawai'i Hotel & Lodging Association supports the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission ("LUC").

Kyle's work and volunteer experience makes him very qualified to serve on the LUC. Kyle's relevant work experience has been at the Honolulu City Council and the Pacific Resources Partnership. In these jobs, he has been involved with a variety of public policy and land use issues. He also demonstrates an awareness of the balance needed between development and conservation. His involvement as a member of the Nature Conservancy's Council for the Environment has also helped to reinforce the need for balance as we face land use and development issues.

In summary, I have known Kyle for a number of years and believe he will be a valuable addition to the Land Use Commission.

Again, mahalo for this opportunity to provide these comments.

From: tjohns [tjohns@hawaii.rr.com]

Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2007 9:28 PM

To: hee1 - Sesnita; Sen. Russell Kokubun; Sen. Carol Fukunaga; Sen. Jill Tokuda; Sen. Paul Whalen

Subject: Nomination of KYLE JAMES KALEO CHOCK to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chair Hee, Vice-Chair Kokubun and Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land:

Please accept this testimony IN SUPPORT of the nomination of KYLE CHOCK to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

I have known Mr. Chock for several years, beginning with his tenure as a staff member at the Honolulu City Council. Even then, Mr. Chock approached public service with a great sense of responsibility and duty. I am confident that he will serve on the Land Use Commission with that same commitment.

Through his involvement with The Nature Conservancy of Hawaii and the Pacific Resources Partnership, Kyle has had the unique experience of viewing land use issues from a broad perspective. I know that he will always be fair and balanced as he examines the issues that will confront the Land Use Commission.

Kyle is committed to making our community a better place. He will do a great job on the Land Use Commission. Please support his nomination.

Aloha,

Timothy E. Johns



October 22, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee, Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee and Members of the Committee on Water and Land,

It gives me great pleasure to submit this in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

I have been fortunate to have known Kyle for 3 years on a personal and professional level. And in that time I have found Kyle to be a caring, compassionate person with a deep commitment to his family, friends, business associates and the community.

One of his greatest personal traits is his sense of integrity. You can always count on Kyle to be open, honest, and straightforward.

In all of his various responsibilities, as a community volunteer, businessperson and public servant, Kyle has also demonstrated a sense of fairness, common sense and good judgment.

When selecting someone to serve on the Land Use Commission, you should look for someone with technical knowledge about land use, the environment and public policy. But perhaps more importantly, you must find candidates with strong personal character.

It is because of these traits that I am confident that Kyle Chock will be a great asset to the Land Use Commission and our community.

Sincerely,

Dean J. Okimoto Nalo Farms President

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October 18, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Via Fax: 808-586-7330 Via Email: hee1@capitol.hawaii.gov

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Sincerely.



### BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

The Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair The Honorable Russell Kokubun, Vice Chair

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Testimony of William M. Kaneko President & CEO Hawaii Institute for Public Affairs

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### Consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, KYLE JAMES KALEO CHOCK

Thursday, October 25, 2007 2:45 pm, State Capitol Room 225

Chairperson Hee and Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land:

I am pleased to SUPPORT the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

Since Kyle assumed the leadership of the Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP), I have had two occasions to work with him closely. The first occasion was on HIPA's joint project with PRP on the Hawaii Jobs Initiative, a collaborative effort to evaluate the supply and demand for construction labor in our state. The second was on the Hawaii 2050 Sustainability Task Force where PRP participated in key stakeholder activities in creating a long-range sustainability plan for Hawaii.

In both instances, Kyle exhibited the kind of thoughtfulness, intellect and valuesbased approach to addressing complex public policy issues facing our state. He was always concerned about how his decisions would impact and bene fit Hawaii. Kyle's views in advancing the public interest was pervasive as he sought to balance and evaluate competing interests – a situation that Commissioners on the LUC will face. I am confident that Kyle will take seriously his role as a decision-maker of key land use decisions facing Hawaii, and provide the kind of thoughtfulness that will benefit our state as a whole, rather than one sector or company.

Nomination of Kyle Chock Page Two

Additionally, his diverse background in working on a wide variety of governmental policy, housing, construction, environmental and land use issues with the Pacific Resource Partnership, Honolulu City Council and The Nature Conservancy provide a strong foundation in addressing similar issues as a commissioner on the Land Use Commission.

Your approval of Kyle Chock's nomination to the Land Use Commission is appreciated. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this matter.



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October 23, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Senate Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee and Members of the Committee:

On bchalf of The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, I am submitting testimony in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission (LUC). The LUC will benefit greatly from his extensive experience and diverse background coupled with his leadership skills and positive attitude.

During his tenure working with the Honolulu City Council, he was a dedicated public servant who effectively served the needs of Hawaii residents. Because of his experience with the City, he also has a strong understanding of the governmental process and public policymaking. These will be critical skills that will further serve our community well.

As a member of the Nature Conservancy's Council for the Environment and in his role with the Pacific Resource Partnership, Kyle has gained a deep understanding of land use and environmental conservation and the many issues that face our community. This experience also has given Kyle the unique opportunity to view land use issues from both the preservation and development perspectives. Furthermore, he has a great appreciation for the need to look at land use issues from all stakeholder perspectives.

Finally, Kyle has proven to have a strong commitment to the community through his volunteer work. In addition to the Nature Conservancy, he has worked on a variety of issues including health and human services, youth-at-risk and affordable housing during his service with Child and Family Services, the Lanakila Rehabilitation Foundation and Housing Hawaii.

Kyle has truly made a positive impact on different facets of the community. I believe that he will continue his good work and be a productive contributor to the Land Use Commission.

Sincerely,

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The Twenty-Fourth Legislature, State of Hawaii Hawaii State Senate Committee on Water and Land Testimony by HGEA/AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO October 25, 2007

> Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation of Kyle James Kaleo Chock to the Land Use Commission

The Hawaii Government Employees Association supports the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission.

The Commission is an important body responsible for preserving and protecting Hawaii lands and encouraging best use practices. It ensures that areas of state concern are addressed and considered in the land use decision-making process. The Commission's actions directly affect critical issues such as affordable housing, environment protection and the state's economy.

Mr. Chock is uniquely qualified to serve on this commission. As the Executive Director of the Pacific Resources Partnership, Mr. Chock has an in-depth understanding of Hawaii's construction and development industry which lends a valuable perspective on land use in our state. With a background in labor and management collaboration, Mr. Chock will be well-equipped to help resolve the many important issues facing the Commission which beg consensus. Finally, Mr. Chock's standing in the labor community assures us that he will make good decisions aimed at protecting our quality of life in Hawaii.

We wholeheartedly support Mr. Chock's nomination and request your recommendation to confirm his appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

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Nora A. Nomura Executive Assistant



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The Twenty-Fourth Legislature, State of Hawaii The Senate Committee on Water and Land

> Testimony By Hawaii State AFL-CIO October 24, 2007

> > Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission

The Hawaii State AFL-CIO strongly supports the nomination of Kyle Chock as a member of the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

Mr. Chock possesses the necessary skills and background for appointment to this most important State Commission. Born and raised in Hawaii, Mr. Chock shares the values of Hawaii residents who know the importance of stewardship of our precious limited land mass. With experience in both the public and private sectors, Mr. Chock is well familiar with our government, as well as the needs of the business community. In his current capacity with the Pacific Resource Partnership, Mr. Chock brings a balanced perspective on the need to ensure appropriate development of our islands while preserving our local values and cultures.

In short, Mr. Chock embodies the very attributes we look for in an emerging leader, and well represents a new generation of Hawaii residents ready to assume leadership roles in our community. For these reasons, Mr. Chock has the unequivocal support of the affiliate unions of the Hawaii State AFL-CIO. Your favorable consideration of his appointment is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Perreira President



The Twenty-Fourth Legislature Second Special Session of 2007

THE SENATE Committee on Water and Land Sen. Clayton Hee, Chair State Capitol, Conference Room 228

### STATEMENT OF THE ILWU LOCAL 142 KYLE CHOCK FOR THE LAND USE COMMISSION

The ILWU Local 142 supports the nomination of Kyle Chock to the State Land Use Commission.

The State Land Use Commission is charged with the important function of ensuring balance in land use and protecting our natural resources for Hawaii's future. We believe Kyle Chock is uniquely suited to fulfill the legislative mandate of the Land Use Commission.

Mr. Chock's experience is diverse. Through his work experience in the public arena, both for the City Council and Honolulu Community College, Mr. Chock has developed an understanding of public policy needs. Through his volunteer activity with Lanakila Rehabilitation Foundation and Child & Family Service, Mr. Chock has come to understand the needs of the private nonprofit sector. In his service to The Nature Conservancy, Mr. Chock has developed a clearer appreciation for the environment and the crucial need to protect and preserve Hawaii's natural resources. In his current position with the Pacific Resource Partnership, Mr. Chock works with both employers and unions to promote the construction industry in Hawaii.

Mr. Chock will bring a balanced perspective to the Land Use Commission and a commitment to responsible development.

The ILWU urges the Senate to confirm the nomination of Kyle Chock for the State Land Use Commission. Thank you for the opportunity to share our views.



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October 23, 2007

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Via Fax: 808-586-733**4** Via Email: heel@capitol.hawaii.gov

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee And Members of the Committee on Water and Land

I am submitting this testimony in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

Kyle's background and experience make him well qualified to serve on the LUC.

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Kyle has truly made a positive difference in the lives of many people in our community, and he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Sincerely,

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President

October 23, 2007

The Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair Senate Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairman Hoe & Committee Members:

#### Nomination of Kyle Chock - State Land Use Commission

This letter is to support the nomination of Kyle Chock to the state Land Use Commission. There not known Kyle for a long period of time, and in fact, only this year had the opportunity to collaborate with Kyle and PRP in my former capacity with UH West Oahu. Twas and remain very impressed with Kyle, his style, his outlook and his commitment to duty and to our state.

Kyle is straight-forward, sensible as well as sensitive, and deliberate with his thoughts and words. Ultimately, Kyle is a man of his word. He cares about Hawaii and recognizes that our world today is more complex than ever. Much of what we do today requires even greater balance of competing interests than ever before. Kyle's professional experience in public service and more recently in private business gives him the experience and ability to deliberate tough issues facing our state from different perspectives and to put the greater good of our community before individual interests. He is fair and smart and well respected in different segments of our community. I believe he will add tremendous value to the Land Use Commission and should be confirmed by the Senate.

Very truly yours,

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Kalowena Komeiji Nu'uanu, O'ahu e-mail: <u>kalowena@aol.com</u> Telephone: 371-6679

October 24, 2007

Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair, Members of The Committee on Water and Land Hawaii Senate State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

#### Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the State Land Use Commission

Dear Chair Hee and Committee Members:

I am speaking and giving testimony on behalf of the Ironworkers Union Stabilization Fund, and lend the union's wholehearted support for the nomination of Kyle Chock. We respectfully request that you confirm and seat him as a member of one of the most important state commissions, the Land Use Commission ("LUC"). In addition, I give my personal support to Mr. Chock whom I have known for over 10 years since he served as a legislative aide to then Honolulu City Council Chair, Jon Yoshimura. Governor Lingle should be commended for making such a fine appointment.

As amply demonstrated by many controversial land use rulings that have been rendered by this body since its inception in the 1960's, commission members carry a heavy burden to deliberate and arrive at decisions striking a <u>balance</u> between development and preservation. His experience serving as a member of the Nature Conservancy Corporate Council for the Environment has given Mr. Chock a first hand look in assessing land use issues from <u>both</u> the preservation and development perspectives. Likewise, the nominee has served as the executive director of Pacific Resource Partnership since 2005, and the very nature of this position requires him to strike a <u>balance</u> between the interests of contractors and unionized labor whenever he renders decisions.

Having been born and raised in Hawaii, Mr. Chock has a deep appreciation and understanding of what is in the best interests of our people. A combination of his upbringing, integrity, impressive formal educational background, organizational and management skills, and wide work experience should hold him in good stead in helping the commission arrive at decisions that are on <u>balance</u> and fair to all concerned.

Additionally, Mr. Chock's willingness to serve on this important commission is simply an extension of his record of commitment to community service. He has served on the board of directors of Child and Family Service, Lanakila Rehabilitation Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair, Members of The Committee on Water and Land Hawaii Senate State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Foundation and Housing Hawaii, as well as the aforementioned Nature Conservancy Council.

With this sterling background that he has already established in his relative youth, I believe Mr. Chock, who is a role model for giving, will once again serve his community well, if given the opportunity to sit on this most prestigious commission.

Thank you for permitting me to testify on Mr. Chock's behalf.

Sincerely, Penald Y. amemuy-Ronald Y. Amemiya

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October 24, 2007

(Via Facsimile: 586-7334)

Chairman Clayton Hee and Committee Members Water and Land Committee 415 South Beretania Street, Room 228 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Confirmation of Kyle James Kaleo Chock to the Land Use Commission Department of Land and Natural Resources, State of Hawaii

Dear Senator Hee and Committee Members:

I strongly support the appointment of Kyle James Kaleo Chock to the Land Use Commission for the Department of Land and Natural Resources. I met him after becoming the Interim Director for the DLIR. He was a prime mover in the recent On-Site Drug Testing law. He developed a willingness to look at the "big picture" and had a problem solving attitude. He was very positive and forward looking.

I'm sure he'll be a positive influence. Therefore, I strongly support his nomination. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

October 25, 2007

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Chair Hee, Vice Chair Kokubun and Members of the Committee on Water and Land:

I am writing this letter in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission. I believe Kyle would make an excellent Commission member.

Kyle serves on the Board of Directors here at Child and Family Service and also serves on our Board Governance Committee. In my one and a half years as CEO here, I have been impressed with Kyle's dedication and commitment to giving back to the community and his support of children and families and our treasured Kupuna. I have found him to be a genuinely caring human being with strong ethical principles who believes in doing what is "pono". I know that if I ask something of him, that I can count on him to respond and to help in any way he can.

I encourage you to approve Kyle Chock's nomination to the Land Use Commission. I believe you will have a strong member in Kyle who has the experience and the commitment to community that will serve the Commission well.

With warm Aloha,

Howard S. Garval President & Chief Executive Officer



October 24, 2007



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The Honorable Clayton Hee Chair Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, HI 96813

#### RE: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Chair Hee, Vice Chair Kokubun and Members of the Committee:

I am writing in strong support of Kyle Chock's confirmation to the Land Use Commission. Mr. Chock's background and relevant experience qualifies him to serve on the Commission. The firm has had the pleasure of working with Mr. Chock in his current role as the Executive Director of Pacific Resource Partnership and through his volunteer community service. He is committed to public and community service and is currently a member of the Nature Conservancy's Council for the Environment and a Director of the Child & Family Service Board. His energy, integrity, professionalism and understanding of the Commission's issues will make him a valuable member of the Commission.

Your favorable action on his confirmation is respectfully requested. The Land Use Commission and the State of Hawaii will be well served by his participation.

Sincerely,

J. Douglas Ing

Lori Ann C. Lum 98-1008 Piku Place Aiea, Hawaii 96701

October 25, 2007

The Honorable Clayton Hee Chair Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Chair Hee, Vice Chair Kokubun and Members of the Committee:

I am submitting testimony in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

I have come to know Kyle over the years and have been impressed by his professionalism, leadership skills, outstanding character and genuine concern for Hawaii's future.

Kyle's broad professional background and experience in both the private and public sector will serve the Commission well. He has an understanding of the issues before the Commission and I'm confident he will make significant contributions.

Your favorable action on his confirmation is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

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Lori Ann C. Lum



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Senator Clayton Hee, Chair Committee on Water and Land Conference Room 225, State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

### RE: <u>Confirmation of Kyle Chock to the State Land Use Commission for a term</u> to expire 6-30-2010.

Chair Hee, Vice Chair Kokubun and Members of the Committee on Water and Land:

I am Roy Ogawa, Chair of the Building Industry Association of Hawaii's (BIA-Hawaii) Government Relations Committee. BIA-Hawaii strongly supports the confirmation of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission for a term to expire 6-30-2010. Kyle's background and experience make him well qualified to serve on the Land Use Commission.

Kyle Chock is the Executive Director of the Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP) whose mission is to support federal, state, and county initiatives that strengthen the building industry. BIA-Hawaii shares similar goals with PRP and we have worked collaboratively with PRP on many programs and issues.

Mr. Chock's wide range of personal and professional experiences provides him with a unique perspective in fulfilling his role as a Land Use Commissioner. He has worked as a Senior Advisor to a City Councilmember, as Executive Assistant to the Chancellor of Honolulu Community College, as a Senior Account Executive for a public relations firm, and has served on numerous community boards, most notably The Nature Conservancy Corporate Council for the Environment.

BIA-Hawaii strongly supports the confirmation of Mr. Kyle Chock to the Land use Commission. We firmly believe that he will serve as a dedicated and resourceful public servant in this capacity..

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Ogawa, Chair Government Relations Committee BIA-Hawaii



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October 23, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chairperson Hee and Members of the Committee on Water and Land:

I am writing this letter in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the State Land Use Commission.

In my experience, Kyle has proven himself to be very knowledgeable in the areas of land use and the environment. He also has a great understanding and appreciation of the needs of the community and Hawaii residents. In all of his various responsibilities, as a community volunteer, businessperson and public servant, Kyle has demonstrated a sense of fairness, common sense and good judgment.

His leadership and commitment has served Hawaii well over the years and I know that he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Ann Kobayashi Councilmember, District V



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October 23, 2007

The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee Chairperson Committee on Water and Land Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairperson Hee and Members of the Committee on Water and Land:

Re: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

I am submitting this testimony in strong support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission.

During his tenure working with the Honolulu City Council, he was a dedicated public servant who effectively served the needs of Hawaii residents. Because of his experience with the City, he also has a strong understanding of the governmental process and public policymaking. These will be critical skills that will further serve our community well.

As a member of the Nature Conservancy's Council for the Environment and in his role with the Pacific Resource Partnership, Kyle has gained a deep understanding of land use and environmental conservation and the many issues that face our community. This experience also has given Kyle the unique opportunity to view land use issues from both the preservation and development perspectives. And he has a great appreciation for the need to look at land use issues from all stakeholder perspectives.

And finally, Kyle has proven himself to have a strong commitment to community through his volunteer work. In addition to the Nature Conservancy, he has worked on a variety of issues including health and human services, youth-at-risk and affordable housing during his service with Child and Family Services, the Lanakila Rehabilitation Foundation and Housing Hawaii.

Kyle has truly made a positive difference in the lives of many people in our community, and he will continue to do so as a member of the Land Use Commission.

Sincerelv Donovan M. Dela Cruz

Donovan M. Dela Cruz Councilmember District II

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October 24, 2007

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The Honorable Clayton Hee Chair, Senate Committee on Water and Land Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 228 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

LATE TESTIMONY

Dear Senator Hee:

#### Subject: Nomination of Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

On behalf of Castle & Cooke Hawai'i, I am submitting this testimony in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawai'i State Land Use Commission (LUC).

Mr. Chock's diverse experience has uniquely poised him to see land use issues from the preservation, development and public stakeholder perspectives. His commitment to public service evidenced by his serving on several volunteer boards and foundations, which position him as well-qualified and grounded addition to the LUC and to our community.

We believe that the LUC should have a full slate of commissioners to undertake its mission. The addition of Mr. Chock will compliment the talents of members already serving on the LUC.

For these reasons, we respectfully request your favorable consideration of Mr. Chock's appointment to the LUC.

Sincerely,

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October 24, 2007

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Senator Clayton Hee Chair, Water & Land Committee Hawaii State Senate Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228 415 S. Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

LATE TESTIMONY

Re: Support for Nomination of Mr. Kyle Chock to the Land Use Commission

Dear Chair Hee and Committee Members:

I am testifying in strong support of the nomination of Mr. Kyle Chock to serve on the Land Use Commission.

I have known Mr. Chock for over 10 years and he has been a personal friend of mine well before I ever won elective office. I am confident Mr. Chock's extensive experience in government and his work in the construction industry will serve Hawaii well as a land use commissioner. As someone of part-Hawaiian ancestry, Mr. Chock appreciates the careful use of Hawaii's lands. Most of all, I respect Mr. Chock's reasonable and level-headed approach to controversial issues and even-handed treatment of all individuals.

I strongly urge this committee and the Senate approve Mr. Chock's nomination to the Land Use Commission. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Aloha,

Charl Councilmember

District IV (Waikiki, East Honolulu)

FROM: COUNCIL DIOU

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OCT. 25. 2007 8:54AM



## Submitting for consideration and conformation to the Land Use Commission, GM No. 109 KYLE JAMES KALEO CHOCK,

for a term to expire 6-30-2010

Senate Committee on Water and Land

October 25, 2007	2:45 p.m.	Room 225

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) **<u>supports</u>** the appointment of Kyle James Kaleo Chock to the Land Use Commission (LUC). In fact, on October 24, 2007, the OHA Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment Committee voted unanimously to support his appointment and confirmation.

His activities in both the public and private sectors have shown knowledge and sensitivities in a number of areas. His experience as Senior Advisor and Legislative Assistant to former Councilmember Jon Yoshimura as well as his position as Executive Assistant to the chancellor of Honolulu Community College provides excellent incite into a number of areas of public policy. These aspects as well as his involvement with the Nature Conservancy's Council for the Environment as well as community and volunteer work provides a good basis for understanding of both conservation and development issues.

OHA supports Kyle James Kaleo Chock's appointment without reservation and urges the Committee to confirm his nomination.

LATE TESTIMONY

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#### October 24, 2007

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TO:	Sen. Clayton Hee, Chair	
	Sen. Russell S. Kokubun, Vice Chair	
	And Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land	
FROM:	Andrew H. Aoki, Principal, 3Point and Director, Kanu Hawai'i Testifying as a private citizen	
RE:	Nomination of <b>Kyle Chock</b> to the Land Use Commission Hearing: October 25, 2007 (2:45 PM Room 225)	
POSITION:	Support	
	Via email to Public Access Room (testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov)	

It gives me great pleasure to submit this letter in support of the nomination of Kyle Chock to the Hawaii State Land Use Commission (LUC).

This is the first time I am submitting public testimony in support of an individual. I do it now only because I have steadfast confidence in Kyle—his abilities, his culturally based values, and his proven track record.

If confirmed to the LUC, I know Kyle will carefully examine and accept his kuleana, learn everything he needs to know about it, consult the wisdom of a variety of people, and then act with common sense. I have seen him do this repeatedly in the many years that I have known him as a friend and as a professional colleague-from when he was the teenage governor of the Hawai'i Youth Legislature to his role today with Pacific Resource Partnership. He has unparalleled people skills, he is a tireless worker, and he has strong principles of fairness and excellence.

Kyle is what we would all want in a public servant. A person with the intelligence to comprehend a variety of facts, the personality to be welcoming to all sides of an issue, the judgment to make informed decisions on principle, the humility to know what he doesn't know, and the fortitude to make and live with tough decisions.

I recognize the supreme importance of the LUC and its solemn obligations to the people of Hawai'i. The LUC's decisions affect me, my children, and unborn generations. I only hope it is led by enlightened commissioners who can weigh the myriad economic, environmental, social, cultural, and other factors that are woven into these complex issues. More than ever, Hawai'i needs those rare bridge builders like Kyle, who can effectively maneuver in and create greater understanding among the different "worlds" that coexist in Hawai'i.

I care deeply about our land, culture, communities, and families. Hawai'i needs our most competent, culturally grounded people who are willing to serve the public interest in whatever ways they are called to do so. I am confident that Kyle will serve with skill and honor.

Thank you for the opportunity to share what I know about Kyle Chock. I would be happy to provide additional information or to elaborate on my statements above.

At the