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The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee, Chair
Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture,
and Hawaiian Affairs
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 229
415 South Beretania Street
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Re: GM 389 Gubernatorial Nominee, Kay M. Mukaigawa to HCDA for a term to expire 6-30-13

Dear Chairperson Hee
and Members of the Committee:

I am writing this letter in **STRONG support** of the consideration and confirmation of Ms. Kay M. Mukaigawa to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) for a term to expire 6-30-2013

I have known Ms. Mukaigawa through her work as a fellow member of the BIA of Hawaii, through her profession as a Realtor, and personally for a long time.

I know Ms. Mukaigawa has a strong commitment to community issues and she has an understanding of the governmental process and public policy making. I am confident that Ms. Mukaigawa will continue to do well as a member of HCDA.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Audrey Hidano

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Dear Chairperson Hee and Members of the Committee:

I am writing this letter, on behalf of my family and me, in unanimous endorsement of Ms. Kay M. Mukaigawa to the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA). My family and I know Ms. Mukaigawa, both personally and professionally, through our trip together to Korea in Spring of last year.

In the time that I have come to know Ms. Mukaigawa, I can say, without hesitation, that she is without question, an intelligent, honest and hardworking professional and a generous and compassionate human being. Her status and expertise in the real estate industry, as reflected by her numerous professional designations, her appointment and service on state boards (such as the Honolulu Board of Realtors, as an arbitrator for 6 years) and the recognition and accolades she has received by her colleagues in the industry, are belied by her down to earth nature and humble demeanor.

Ms. Mukaigawa is a consummate professional who takes her charge seriously. She is selfless, and dedicated to her clients, regardless of who they are or their stature in the community and passionate in whatever she undertakes. She recently assisted my parents (ages 80 and 85 years old) in the repair and rental of their Kapahulu property; resulting in a win-win situation for themselves and the tenants, who are a young married couple from Japan. Protecting the elderly and disadvantaged (from consumer and real estate fraud and deceptive practices) is clearly top on her priority list, as well as giving back to the community through volunteer service. She coordinates an annual fund raising golf tournament for the Muscular Dystrophy Association; sponsors the Heart Association fund raiser and gives to other charities in addition to her work and service on community boards like the HCDA.

As a family law practitioner with the law firm of Coates and Frey, I do not hesitate to call upon Ms. Mukaigawa to assist me with regard to issues involving the real estate industry, in order to better serve my clients. She is up on the law, the business climate and the realities of what is happening in the marketplace; whether it be residential, commercial or real estate development. She is trustworthy and fair and offers the HCDA years of business acumen and experience, professionalism and integrity. The people of Hawaii would be very well served by her representation.

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Thank you for allowing me to write this letter in support of Ms. Mukaigawa's appointment.

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