## **TESTIMONY**

## FEBRUARY 17, 2022 COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY SPECIAL MEETING

ITEM NO. 1

RECEIPT OF THE REPORT OF THE PERMITTED INTERACTION GROUP OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGY RELATING TO COMPLIANCE WITH FIRE SAFETY ORDINANCES IN RESIDENTIAL HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS.



February 17, 2022

Councilmember Carol Fukunaga, Chair Councilmember Andria Tupola, Vice-Chair City Council Committee on Public Infrastructure and Technology

Re: Bill 37 (2021) Relating to Fire Safety Improvements

Testimony in Support of PIG Report Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 1 p.m.

Chair Fukunaga, Vice-Chair Tupola and Members of the Committee:

I am Jane Sugimura, President of the Hawaii Council of Associations of Apartment Owners (HCCA).

HCCA contributed information to the draft Report of the Permitted Interaction Group (the "PIG Report") of this Committee and requests that it be accepted and acted upon. The information in the draft PIG Report reflects concerns relating to the implementation of Ordinance 19-4 by apartment owners whose condominium and co-op housing projects are subject to the Ordinance in the hope that the City Council will address those concerns by amending the Ordinance.

HCCA appreciates being included in the discussions of these very important issues and trusts that its input will result in positive changes that will make these buildings safer while minimizing the financial challenges to the apartment owners who will have to pay for the changes contemplated by the Ordinance.

Thank you for allowing me to testify on this matter.

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President