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June 22, 2023

The Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Waters and Councilmembers:

Pursuant to Section 13-103(b) of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu, I hereby appoint, subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, Ms. Nikki Medwetz as a member of the Board of Parks and Recreation. Ms. Medwetz will replace Roger Dequina and serve for a term to expire on December 31, 2026. I would appreciate your favorable consideration of Ms. Medwetz's appointment.

I have attached a draft resolution and Ms. Medwetz's information for your review and consideration. For any general inquiries you may have regarding this appointment, please contact my special assistant, Kevan Wong, at 768-6608.

Sincerely,

Rick Blangiardi
Mayor

Attachments

cc: Ms. Nikki Medwetz
Department of Parks and Recreation
Board of Parks and Recreation
Ethics Commission

CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII

No. _____

RESOLUTION

CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF NIKKI MEDWETZ TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, Section 6-1404, Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973, as amended ("RCH"), establishes an advisory Board of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Parks and Recreation consists of nine members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council to staggered five-year terms; and

WHEREAS, the major duties of the Board of Parks and Recreation are to advise the Mayor, the Council, and the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation on matters relating to the recreational, cultural, and entertainment activities and facilities of the City and on the beautification of such facilities and public streets of the City; and

WHEREAS, by Mayor's letter, dated June 22, 2023, the Mayor has appointed Ms. Nikki Medwetz to the Board of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, if confirmed by the Council, Ms. Medwetz will replace Roger Dequina and serve for a term to expire on December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Section 13-103, RCH, which applies to the Board of Parks and Recreation, includes a general qualification requiring a member to be a registered voter of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed the qualifications and character of Ms. Medwetz and finds that she qualifies to serve on the Board of Parks and Recreation and deserves confirmation for appointment; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it confirms the appointment of Ms. Medwetz to the Board of Parks and Recreation for a term expiring on December 31, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Ms. Medwetz for her willingness to serve the City and County of Honolulu; and

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RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Chair of the Board of Parks and Recreation, and Ms. Nikki Medwetz.

INTRODUCED BY:

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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Councilmembers

Office of the City Clerk

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
STATE OF HAWAII

Voter Certificate

I, Glen I. Takahashi, City Clerk of the City & County of Honolulu, State of Hawaii do hereby certify that,

NIKKI M. MEDWETZ

a resident of the City and County of Honolulu, State of Hawaii is a duly registered elector (voter) of

Precinct 02, Representative District 44, State of Hawaii

Voter ID No: 1008920 *Registration Date: 01/06/2012*

Date of Birth:

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City and County of Honolulu to be affixed on June 22, 2023.

Signature Block

Signature of Elector

Glen I. Takahashi, City Clerk
City and County of Honolulu
State of Hawaii

This certificate expires at the earlier of either the date the named elector relinquishes the voter residence associated with this certificate or after the next scheduled Hawaii General election after the affixed issuance date.

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
NOMINEE/APPOINTEE FORM

1. Position Nominated to: Parks Advisory Board

2. Name: Nikki Montellano Medwetz
(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes
Are you a resident of the City and County of Honolulu? Yes If yes, how long 10-20 years
Are you a registered voter in the City and County of Honolulu? Yes

4. Occupation: Public Affairs

5. Name and address of employer or firm:
Aulani, A Disney Resort & Spa 92-1185 Aliinui Drive Kapolei, HI 96707

6. Does your employer do any business with the City and County of Honolulu? No
If yes, state the nature of business and approximate dollar amount in the last five years:

7. Do you or does any member of your immediate family hold office or own stock in any firm?
Yes

8. Does the firm do business with the City and County of Honolulu? No
If yes, provide details including the name(s) of the firm:

9. Do you have any part-time employment, professional activity, or financial interests other than those indicated in the previous question? No
If yes, provide details:

10. Do you foresee any possible conflict between your present work, financial investments, business transactions or any other activity which would be incompatible with the proper discharge of your official duties or hinder you from effectively carrying out the duties for which you have been appointed? No

11. Are any members of your family employed by the City and County of Honolulu or any attached agency? No
If yes, please specify the department and division:

12. Are there any incidents in your past that may jeopardize your nomination? No

13. Have you ever been convicted of a felony? No If yes, provide details:

14. Education:

Masters Degree in Organizational Leadership from Chapman University

Bachelors Degree in Communications from California State University, Fullerton

15. Provide a summary of major work experience for the last ten (10) years. Begin with your present job including military (attach additional sheets if necessary or resume):

Resume attached

16. Community activities, etc. (also list any service on any other board or commission Federal, State or County):

I've served on the corporate board of directors for the Boys & Girls Club of HI since 2017

17. Have you ever been a member of a board or commission with the City and County of Honolulu?

No

If yes, provide name(s) of board/commission:

18. Will you be able to commit to the full term of this appointment? Yes

19. Will you be able to commit to meeting dates and times? Yes

20. Are you regularly away from Honolulu? No If yes, please explain:

21. Are you willing to make a confidential financial disclosure to the city Ethics Commission upon appointment and yearly thereafter? Yes

22. What do you understand to be the prime duties of your county appointment?

Guidance and advice for parks division

The above statements made by me are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.

Nikki Mehrten

(Signature)

05/16/2023

(Date)

The above statements made by me are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and

The completed form and any attachment(s) will be posted by the City Clerk and available on the City's DocuShare Website.

Nikki M. Medwetz

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2/2016 to present ***Public Affairs Director***, *Aulani, A Disney Resort & Spa*, Kapolei, HI

- Create, oversee and implement the strategic plan to protect and enhance the Disney brand within the Hawaii community.
- Ensure all communications and events are on message and in alignment with public affairs goals and business priorities.
- Oversee all aspects of Disney public affairs in Hawaii, including internal and external communications, government relations, community outreach and donations, and crisis communications.
- Maintain alignment with global Disney Parks public affairs strategy, and uphold relationships throughout the company to act as main Hawaii contact.

11/2011 to 2/2016 ***Public Affairs Manager***, *Aulani, A Disney Resort & Spa*, Kapolei, HI

- Write, edit and produce bi-weekly internal newsletter, semi-annual community e-newsletter and all other Aulani communication.
- Provide strategy and communication support for all internal communication needs.
- Provide story ideas and content regarding Aulani for internal and external Disney publications throughout the world.
- Work with public relations on all media releases, pitches, blog and social media posts pertaining to Aulani.
- Support all communication needs for Aulani executive leadership, including presentations and speaking engagements.

5/2008 to 11/2011 ***Executive Communications Manager,*** *Disneyland Resort,* Anaheim, CA

- Created strategy for Disneyland Resort executive visibility, both internally and externally.
- Wrote, edited and produced communication materials for the Disneyland Resort president.
- Provided communication support for more than 80 executives at the Disneyland Resort.
- Coordinated regular Executive Business Updates with information pertinent to the Disneyland Resort.

11/2006 to 5/2008 ***Marketing Specialist***, *City of Anaheim*, Anaheim, CA

- Acted as editor of Anaheim Magazine, overseeing all content and graphic design.
- Oversaw content for City of Anaheim's website.
- Managed City of Anaheim's internal communications.
- Developed talking points and coordinated media interviews for Mayor/City Council at special events.

06/2005 to 10/2006 ***Communications Director,*** *Anaheim Chamber of Commerce*, Anaheim, CA

- Developed and executed public relations and marketing strategies for Chamber projects and events.
- Handled all Chamber media relations, acting as spokesperson when necessary.
- Developed CEO's message points for media and special events.
- Oversaw development, creation and distribution of all Chamber publications.

06/2004 to 06/2005 ***Media & Publications Coordinator,*** *West & Central Basin MWDs,* Carson, CA

- Acted as Municipal Water Districts' spokesperson, handling all media requests.
- Managed development and production of Districts' publications.
- Assisted in coordination and planning of all Districts' events.
- Oversaw Districts' websites.

EDUCATION

California State University, Fullerton, Fullerton, CA
Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications
Concentration in Public Relations

Chapman University, Orange, CA
Master of Arts degree in Organizational Leadership
Master of Arts certificate in Organizational Development