

RES24-209
Testimony

MISC. COMM. 454

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Meeting Date: Oct 9, 2024 @ 10:00 AM

Support: 3

Oppose: 0

I wish to comment: 0

Name: Gladys Marrone	Email: gladysmarrone@gmail.com	Zip: 96816
Representing: Self	Position: Support	Submitted: Oct 7, 2024 @ 02:19 PM
Testimony: Aloha Chair Waters and Members of the Honolulu City Council, I am submitting testimony in strong support of Mr. Ryan M. Toyomura for an appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals. As a former member of the ZBA myself, and having worked with Mr. Toyomura in the past, I know that he possesses the knowledge, background, skills, and understanding to serve the City well in this capacity. I appreciate the opportunity to offer my strong support of Mr. Toyomura's appointment to the ZBA. Thank you, Gladys Q. Marrone		
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Representing: Ralph S Inouye Co, Ltd and Lance Inouye, personally	Position: Support	Submitted: Oct 8, 2024 @ 09:41 AM
Name: Joy Kimura	Email: jkimura@hawaiilecet.org	Zip: 96817
Representing: Hawaii LECET (Hawaii Laborers' Employers Cooperation Education Trust)	Position: Support	Submitted: Oct 8, 2024 @ 11:30 AM

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October 8, 2024

To: The Honorable Tommy Waters, Chair and Members of the Honolulu City Council

Subject: Resolution 24-209: **Strong Support** of Confirming the Appointment of **RYAN M TOYOMURA** to the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City and County of Honolulu

HEARING

DATE: OCTOBER 9, 2024
TIME: 10:00 A.M.
PLACE: KAPOLEI HALE

The Honorable Chair Tommy Waters and Members of the Honolulu City Council,

My name is Lance M Inouye, CHB of Ralph S. Inouye Co., Ltd. (RSI), a local general contractor. I am writing in **strong support** of the confirmation of **Ryan M Toyomura**, to the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City and Council of Honolulu. **Ryan's** credentials as a practicing attorney and previous government work along with other testimony before the Honolulu City Council already speaks loudly and well of his qualifications for the position. I think it's best for me to speak of his character as a person.

Ryan is the go-to person for advice on maneuvering through government laws, rules and regulations if there is a problem that needs to be solved. In spite of the demands on this time, he always takes the time to help individuals such as me through the process. And that's not all. He has used his skills in helping industry associations such as the GCA and others through the governmental affairs process in our City and State so willingly. Don't let his youthfulness fool you. He has spent a lot of his years serving in the public sector with distinction. What is refreshing to me is that he always approaches any task with the overall good of our City and State in mind. The City and County of Honolulu and indeed the State of Hawaii will be the beneficiary of **Ryan's** experience and collaborative skills as well as his legal training as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Hence RSI and I personally **strongly support** the appointment of **Ryan M Toyomura** to the Zoning Board of Appeals of the City and Council of Honolulu and urge confirming his nomination. Thank you for the opportunity to express my opinion of **Ryan**.



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October 8, 2024

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

Kapolei City Council Chamber

Kapolei, Hawaii 96707

DATE: Wednesday, October 9, 2024

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON RESOLUTION 24-209; APPOINTMENT OF RYAN M. TOYOMURA TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

To Council Chair Waters, Vice Chair Kia`aina and members of the Honolulu City Council:

Hawaii LECET is a labor-management partnership between the Hawaii Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 368, its' 5000+ members and its' 250+ unionized contractors. The Laborers' International Union of North America is the largest international construction trade union in the United States and Canada.

Hawaii LECET strongly supports Resolution 24-209; Confirming the Appointment of Ryan M. Toyomura to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Toyomura has extensive experience in government, as the former Senior Legislative Advisor for Hawaii State Representative Will Espero. As a practicing attorney at Ashford & Wriston LLP, his legal experience in land use issues will make him an asset on the Zoning Board of Appeals. In these capacities, Mr. Toyomura has gained valuable insight, knowledge and experience in a multitude of areas, such as public policy, legislative advocacy and matters as it relates to government.

Mr. Toyomura's involvement with the Hawaii State Judiciary's Courts in the Community Program, as well as a number of community organizations, speaks to his commitment to public service. Hawaii LECET strongly supports Mr. Ryan Toyomura's appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Thank you for your consideration.

Hawaii Laborers-Employers Cooperation & Education Trust