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Meeting Date: Mar 4, 2025 @ 01:00 PM

Support: 2

Oppose: 0

I wish to comment: 0

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Self	Support	Mar 3, 2025 @ 02:23 AM

Testimony:

Aloha members of the Committee on HOUSING, SUSTAINABILITY, ECONOMY & HEALTH,

I am in strong support of Sandy Ma being appointed to the Climate Change Commission. I have known her since she was the ED of Common Cause Hawai'i. Sandy is a woman of integrity, thoughtfulness, and compassion. She cares deeply about our 'āina and our people. She is bright, committed to social justice, and has the respect of her colleagues, allies, and friends.

There is no doubt in my mind that Sandy will contribute capably to this Commission with fresh ideas and a spirit of collaboration.

Mahalo for your consideration.

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I can think of no one better to serve on the Climate Change Commission of the City and County of Honolulu than Sandy Ma. Her long, varied, and successful career practicing law made her an expert on topics like land use, constitutional law and much more. Through her work in the non-profit field she has not only shown that she cares about the people of Hawai'i but has made a direct impact on their lives. She has an LLM in Environmental Law, and a demonstrated track record in climate change. During her time at the Hawai'i Office of Planning she wrote the state's Managed Retreat Report and led its Greenhouse Gas Task Force. She has earned the respect of the state's top climate change experts, many of whom serve on the Climate Change Commission today. Having worked in private practice, government, and non-profits, she will be able to see all sides of the issue and provide practical guidance on climate change for the City and County.