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August 19, 2025

The Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawai'i 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, Mr. Charles Mitsui as a member of the Board of Parks and Recreation. Mr. Mitsui will replace Christy-Ann Nishita and serve for a term set to expire on December 31, 2027. I would appreciate your favorable consideration of Mr. Mitsui's appointment and request adoption by the City Council in the most expedient manner possible.

I have enclosed a draft resolution and Mr. Mitsui's personal information for your review. For any general inquiries you may have regarding this appointment, please contact my Chief of Staff, Andy Sugg, at (808) 768-4811.

Sincerely,

Rick Blangiardi
Mayor

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Charles Mitsui
Department of Parks and Recreation
Board of Parks and Recreation
Ethics Commission

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No._____

RESOLUTION

CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF CHARLES MITSUI 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 August 19, 2025, the Mayor has appointed Mr. Charles Mitsui to the Board of Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, if confirmed by the Council, Mr. Mitsui will replace Christy-Ann Nishita, whose term will expire on December 31, 2027; 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 Mr. Mitsui and finds that he 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 Mr. Charles Mitsui to replace Christy-Ann Nishita on the Board of Parks and Recreation for a term expiring on December 31, 2027; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Mr. Mitsui for his 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 Mr. Charles Mitsui.

INTRODUCED BY:

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION: _____

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Honolulu, Hawai'i Councilmembers

(T – 8/2023)

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
NOMINEE/APPOINTEE FORM

1. Position Nominated to: Board of Directors for the Dept of Parks & Recreation

2. Name: Charles "Chuck" Takeru Mitsui
(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 >20 years
Are you a registered voter in the City and County of Honolulu? No

4. Occupation: Business Owner

5. Name and address of employer or firm:
808 Skate 337 Uluniu St #101 Kailua, Hi 96734

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?
No

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:

BS Marine Science

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):

Retail Business owner

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

HPR Board member 2019-2025
ASH Founder 1996-present

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? Yes If yes, please explain:

California every 6 weeks for 5 days for busniess

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?

To help guide the Park & Recreation department shape the future of programs and facilities

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.

(Signature) 8/1/2025 (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.***

Chuck Mitsui

Bio

Chuck Mitsui founded the Association of Skateboarders in Hawaii, ASH, in 1996 to give a voice to the local skateboarders who wanted skateparks built on the island of Oahu. In 1998 ASH became a leading community voice in the "Vision Program" set up by Mayor Harris which led to the Skatepark Committee which was instrumental in the creation of 9 skateparks on the island of Oahu.

Chuck Mitsui was the lead designer of the Keolu Hills Skatepark, Kaneohe Skatepark and was part of the design team for the Makiki Skatepark that was built through the Vision Program.

In 2003 ASH and HMSA partnered with the City & County of Honolulu to create the Kahuku Skatepark. The City & County poured the slab which was the base for the portable ramps that were installed by ASH members and funded by HMSA. ASH continues it's efforts to upgrade and increase the size of this skatepark.

Several ASH members approached Chuck Mitsui in 2016 to ask for help in resurfacing the Ewa Beach Skatepark, which had fallen into a state of disrepair. By working with City Council Member Ron Menor, a public/private partnership was formed to resurface the existing surface of the skatepark and add 4 new obstacles. This project was completed in 2018.

When ASH was founded in 1996 the first project Chuck Mitsui worked on was at the Kailua District Park. An agreement was made between the Department of Parks and Recreation and ASH to remove the existing Halfpipe in exchange for a portion of the park to be designated as a skatepark. ASH members removed the ramp and a small portion of the parks was designated as a skatepark. Through decades of evolutions the goal of a concrete skatepark was finally completed in 2021 as the result of a private/public partnership with ASH.

Chuck Mitsui continues his work with ASH to provide safe and legal places for skateboarders to practice their sportwith the focus on the Kahuku Skatepark, and the newly proposed Wahiawa Skatepark.

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,

CHARLES MITSUI

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

Precinct, 01 Representative District, 48 State of Hawaii

Voter ID No: 2146704 Registration Date: 08/04/2025

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 August 19, 2025.

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.