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October 8, 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. Blakely Parsons as a member of the Police Commission. Mr. Parsons will replace Ms. Carrie Okinaga, whose term expires on December 31, 2025, and serve for a term set to expire on December 31, 2030. I would appreciate your favorable consideration of Mr. Parsons' appointment and request adoption by the City Council in the most expedient manner possible. I have enclosed a draft resolution and Mr. Parsons' personal information for your review.

For any general inquiries you may have regarding this candidate, please contact my Chief of Staff, Andy Sugg, at (808) 768-4811.

Sincerely,

Rick Blangiardi
Mayor

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Blakely Parsons
Honolulu Police Department
Police Commission
Ethics Commission

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
NOMINEE/APPOINTEE FORM

1. Position Nominated to: Honolulu Police Commission

2. Name: Blakely Christopher Parsons
(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: CEO / Scout Executive

5. Name and address of employer or firm:
Scouting America, Aloha Council, 42 Puiwa Rd, Honolulu, HI 96817

6. Does your employer do any business with the City and County of Honolulu? Yes
If yes, state the nature of business and approximate dollar amount in the last five years:
The City awarded occasionaly awards the nonprofit grants in aid.
2022 - $200k grant to provide programming in Title 1 schools. 2023 - $100k ~~ARPA gran~~

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:

University of Hawaii at Hilo, BA Communications, Minor Economics
Universitet i Bergen (study abroad)

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):

CEO / Scout Executive, Scouting America, Aloha Council - Nov 23 to Present
Director of Labor Relations, SMARCA of MN, ND & SD - Mar 21 to Oct 23

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

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?

Hire, evaluate, and if needed, remove the Chief of Police
Oversee how HPD handles public complaints and misconduct
Review and recommend changes to HPD policies and procedures
Review the department's annual budget and performance

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.

Blake Parsons (Signature) 7/28/25 (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.***

BLAKE PARSONS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Nonprofit and labor relations executive with deep experience in governance, stakeholder engagement, and strategic leadership. Currently CEO of Scouting America's Aloha Council, leading statewide youth programs and managing complex operations. Trusted to build coalitions, navigate tough issues, and lead with integrity.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

11/2023 to Present **CEO / Scout Executive - Scouting America, Aloha Council**

- Lead executive of the Aloha Council, serving thousands of youth and volunteers across the Pacific.
- Oversee a multi-island operation including four major camp properties and a staff team of 20+ across Hawai'i Island, Kauai'i. Maui, and O'ahu.
- Responsible for fundraising, strategic planning, board development, and program sustainability.
- Collaborate with community leaders, elected officials, and national partners to ensure the organization's long-term impact.
- Lead capital and property planning efforts to increase utilization and community access.

03/2021 to 11/2023 **Director of Labor Relations – Sheet Metal, Air Conditioning & Roofing Contractors Association of Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota**

- Served the Board of Directors representing 250+ companies from a large multi-state area.
- Supported CEO in all aspects of personnel/association management, and administration of a $1.5M annual budget ($4.5M reserve fund).
- Trustee on various Joint Apprenticeship & Training Committees, tasked with promoting the trade to youth and recruiting them into the industry.
- Organized numerous monthly committee meetings, and supervises staff who lead small and large events throughout the year.
- Tasked by the CEO with modernizing the organization by implementing a new accounting & membership database system, among other organizational improvements.

02/2016 to 03/2021 **Executive Director – Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning Contractors' National Association of Hawaii**

- Collaborated with Board Members, industry stakeholders, trade associations, local universities and other community organizations to implement the organization's strategic objectives.
- Engaged in government relations to advance the Association's interests before federal, state and municipal legislative bodies and regulatory agencies.

- Supported the organization and strategy of the Management Committee to negotiate and administer the collective bargaining agreement.
- Organized and developed industry events, including seminars, membership meetings, golf tournaments, banquets, and other industry promotion events.

06/2015 to 02/2016 **Director of Business Development - Redmont Construction (Hawaii)**

- Worked with senior management to promote construction management, architecture, facility maintenance, and property management.
- Attended community and networking events to create strategic partnerships with construction industry professionals and the general public.

10/2013 to 06/2015 **Executive Director & Finance Director – Republican Party of Hawaii**

- Managed eight full-time employees on four islands and distributed workload among the staff; conducted periodic reviews and handled personnel matters.
- Developed organization's budget, strategic plan, and operations.
- Implemented stringent financial and accounting procedures to comply with strict state and federal political non-profit requirements.
- Established and cultivated relationships with legislators and candidates to encourage support for the organization's goals.

02/2013 to 10/2013 **Account Coordinator - Becker Communications (Hawaii)**

- Provided comprehensive public relations services, including media relations, issue management, creative services and ghostwriting, to corporate, government, and nonprofit clients.
- Drafted targeted pitches to state and national media, and fielded media requests.
- Developed briefing kits to prepare clients for media interviews and public appearances.

01/2012 to 12/2012 **Media Coordinator - Linda Lingle for U.S. Senate (Hawaii)**

- Drafted news releases, media responses, speeches, op-eds, letters to the editor, internal memos, fundraising asks, research papers, media advisories, and other internal/external communications.
- Coordinated candidate/staff interviews with media; lead advance for candidate, including providing pre-arrival briefing, coordinating logistics, and on-site supervision.

05/2009 to 05/2011 **Editor-In-Chief - The Herald (Hawaii)**

- Oversaw a staff of 29 and was responsible for daily office operations. Implemented self-directed-work-teams to transform and streamline organizational structure; Administered budget, including creating advertising rate card and brochure that increased revenue by 500%.

HONORS **Eagle Scout** - Boy Scouts of America

Vigil Honor - Order of the Arrow

CONTINUING EDUCATION Institute for Apprenticeship, Training and Education Programs; Benefit Communication and Technology Institute; Construction Industry Benefits Conference; Collections Procedures Institute; Advanced Investment Institute; Labor Law & Arbitration Conference; Institute Health Care Management Conference;

EDUCATION BA: Communication, Minor: Economics, University of Hawaii at Hilo

PRIOR VOLUNTEER SERVICE & AFFILIATIONS

- President's Cabinet, Northern Star Council, Boy Scouts of America
- Board Chair, Hookakoo ($16M annual budget non-profit charter school management organization)
- ASHRAE Of Minnesota
- Member, Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii
- Board Member, Construction Industry Council of Hawaii
- Board Member, Subcontractors Association of Hawaii
- Board Member, National Eagle Scout Association - Boy Scouts of America Aloha Council
- Member, Properties Committee - Boy Scouts of America Aloha Council
- Vice President, Aloha Society of Association Executives
- Member, Homeless Veterans Task Force
- Member, NAIOP Hawaii (Commercial Real Estate Development Association)

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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,

BLAKELY C. PARSONS

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

Precinct, 02 Representative District, 50 State of Hawaii

Voter ID No: 1651975 Registration Date: 06/05/2012

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 October 3, 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.

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No._____

RESOLUTION

CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF BLAKELY PARSONS TO SERVE ON THE POLICE COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, Section 6-1605, Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (2017 Edition) ("Charter"), establishes a Police Commission ("Commission") consisting of seven members; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6-1606 sets forth the powers, duties, and functions of the Commission; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Charter Section 13-103, the members of the Commission are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council ("Council") and serve for staggered five-year terms; and

WHEREAS, by Mayor's Letter, dated October 3, 2025, the Mayor has appointed Mr. Blakely Parsons to the Police Commission; and

WHEREAS, if confirmed by the Council, Mr. Parsons will replace Ms. Carrie Okinaga and serve for a term to expire on December 31, 2030; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 13-103, which applies to the Commission, requires that appointees to all City boards and commissions be registered voters of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City and County of Honolulu has reviewed Mr. Parsons' qualifications and character and finds that he qualifies to serve on the Commission and deserves confirmation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it confirms the appointment of Mr. Blakely Parsons to the Police Commission for a term expiring on December 31, 2030; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Mr. Parsons for his willingness to be considered for public service and actively participate in city government; and

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No._____

RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Police Chief, the Chair of the Police Commission, and Blakely Parsons.

INTRODUCED BY:

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION: _____

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Honolulu, Hawai'i Councilmembers