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Meeting Date: Oct 14, 2025 @ 02:30 PM

Support: 1

Oppose: 0

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Statement of
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Before the
Honolulu City Council
Committee on Housing, Homelessness & Parks
City Council Chamber
Tuesday, October 14, 2025
2:30 P.M.
In consideration of

RESOLUTION 25-206 – NOMINATION OF KEVIN D. AUGER
AS DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND LAND MANAGEMENT

Honorable Chair Tupola, Vice Chair Tulba and members of the Honolulu City Council Committee on Housing, Homelessness & Parks, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in **strong support** for Resolution 25-206, for the nomination of Kevin D. Auger as Director of the Department of Housing and Land Management.

I have known Mr. Auger for many years, and we worked together at the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) where he exceptionally served as the Redevelopment Officer and contributed to the delivery of senior housing at School Street and represented the City and County of Honolulu (City) in advancing the Kuhio Park Terrace affordable housing redevelopment project.

I have participated in multiple meetings where Kevin, serving as an integral part of the Blangiardi Administration, represented the City with professionalism, insight, and a strong commitment to collaboration. He is widely known for his dedication and tireless work ethic, often going above and beyond to ensure that these critical housing projects move forward successfully. I know that he is committed to addressing the many housing issues facing the City and I believe that he will be able to effectively fulfill his role through his life experiences and professional expertise.

There is no doubt in my mind that he will continue to bring a fresh perspective on the City's goal to deliver much needed housing and redevelopment to our community and strive to maximize taxpayer dollars efficiently and effectively. I am confident that his leadership will build strong partnerships at all government and community levels and help pave the way for the future growth of the City for the benefit of us all.

The HPHA urges the Committee to pass Resolution 25-206, for the nomination of Kevin D. Auger as Director of the Department of Housing and Land Management.