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January 8, 2026

The Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 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, Julie Piotrowski as a member of the Grants in Aid Advisory Commission. Ms. Piotrowski will replace Mr. Camron Hurt, and serve for a term to expire on January 14, 2030. I would appreciate your favorable consideration of Ms. Piotrowski's appointment and request adoption by the City Council in the most expedient manner possible.

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

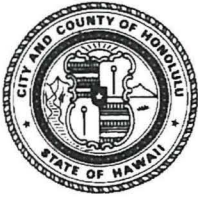
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Blangiardi". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rick Blangiardi
Mayor

Enclosures

cc: Ms. Julie Piotrowski
Department of Community Services
Grants in Aid Advisory Commission
Ethics Commission



HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. _____

RESOLUTION

CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JULIE PIOTROWSKI TO SERVE ON THE GRANTS IN AID ADVISORY COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, Section 9-205, Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 ("Charter"), as amended, establishes a Grants in Aid Advisory Commission ("Commission") consisting of seven members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council to five-year terms; and

WHEREAS, Section 13-103 of the Charter requires that except as otherwise provided by the Charter or by law, mayoral appointments to boards and commissions are subject to confirmation by the Council; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has the basic duties of reviewing applications for Grants in Aid monies and advising the City on projects to be funded with monies in the Grants in Aid fund, consistent with the priorities established by the Council by resolution; and

WHEREAS, Section 13-103 of the Charter requires a Commission member to be a registered voter of the City; and

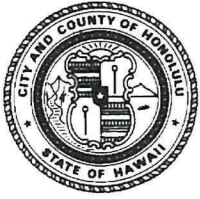
WHEREAS, by Mayor's Letter, dated January 8, 2026, the Mayor has appointed Julie Piotrowski to the Grants in Aid Advisory Commission; and

WHEREAS, if confirmed by the Council, Ms. Piotrowski will replace Mr. Camron Hurt and serve for a term to expire on January 14, 2030; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed Ms. Piotrowski's qualifications and character and finds that Ms. Piotrowski qualifies to serve on the Grants in Aid Advisory Commission; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it confirms the appointment of Ms. Julie Piotrowski to the Grants in Aid Advisory Commission for a term expiring on January 14, 2030; and

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



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RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Grants in Aid Advisory Commission, and Ms. Julie Piotrowski.

INTRODUCED BY:

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

**CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
NOMINEE/APPOINTEE FORM**

1. Position Nominated to: Commissioner, OGM Grants in Aid (GIA) Advisory Commission
2. Name: Julie Johanna Piotrowski
(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 < 5 years
Are you a registered voter in the City and County of Honolulu? Yes
4. Occupation: Small Business Owner / Entrepreneur
5. Name and address of employer or firm:
Junior's Hawaiian Limoncello
55 Merchant Street, Suite 20, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813
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? -select-
If yes, provide details:
Co-Owner, Junior's Hawaiian Limoncello (Liqueur Manufacturer)

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:

Bachelor of Science in Journalism, Medill School of Journalism, Northwestern University

Master of Public Health (MPH), Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University

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):

See attached resume and bio

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?

Ethically review and evaluate grant applications from community not-for-profits and make
recommendations for grant funding to the City Council.

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.

Julie J. Piotrowski
(Signature)

Dec 22, 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.

Julie Piotrowski, MPH

Public Health Leadership, Healthcare Strategy, and Community Health Profile

- Healthcare strategist and public health communications leader with more than 25 years of experience translating complex health policy and science into actionable programs that improve community health outcomes.
- Former White House-level speechwriter and public health advisor to the U.S. Surgeon General (2009), HHS Assistant Secretary for Health (2010-2012), and CDC Director (2022-2023) across two Administrations.
- Proven ability to advise senior officials on national health strategy, build partnerships across government and community stakeholders, and develop evidence-based solutions to public health challenges. Systems-level thinker who sees both the big picture and individual impact.
- Hawaii-based entrepreneur and military (Navy) spouse with deep commitment to community service and equitable access to healthcare.
- Currently co-founding a Hawaii beverage manufacturing company focused on local economic development and responsible business practices.

Healthcare and Public Health Leadership Skills

- Public Health Strategy and Policy Development
- Strategic Communications and Speechwriting
- Evidence-Based Decision-Making
- Strategic Planning and Program Evaluation
- Healthcare System Navigation and Access
- Stakeholder Engagement and Trust-Building
- Crisis and Emergency Response

Relevant Leadership Experience

Co-Founder, Hawaii Beverage Manufacturing Company | Honolulu, HI

Currently building a Hawaii-based small business with responsibility for strategic planning, regulatory compliance, community partnerships, and sustainable business practices.

Senior Speechwriter to the CDC Director | Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Recruited to serve during the agency's post-COVID rebuilding phase. Developed science-driven public health messages to inform diverse audiences including policymakers, health leaders, media, clinicians, and the public. Translated complex health data into clear communications that maintained accuracy while building public trust in a politically charged environment.

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Speechwriter & Communications Advisor to U.S. Surgeon General and Assistant Secretary for Health | U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

- Recruited as nonpartisan expert to serve as strategic communications advisor to the nation's top public health leaders.
- Supported cross-agency health initiatives including the Affordable Care Act implementation, H1N1 pandemic response, Deepwater Horizon oil spill health impacts, HIV/AIDS prevention, and the First Lady's Let's Move! campaign.
- Authored over 300 policy communications translating complex science and health policy into clear narratives that informed national conversations and shaped public understanding.

National Security Fellow (Health Security) | Truman National Security Project

- Selected as one of the organization's early health security fellows to elevate health security within the national security agenda. Led efforts to raise awareness on pandemic preparedness among national, state, and local lawmakers well before global pandemics became widespread concern. Contributed to advancing nonpartisan American leadership through evidence-based health security policy.

Military Family Advocate & Relocation Advisor | U.S. Navy

- As a Navy spouse, relocated multiple times incl. assignments in Maryland, Virginia, Florida and Hawaii. Became a dedicated advocate for military families, helping them navigate healthcare access, find safe housing, and feel at home in new communities. Served as trusted resource on TRICARE benefits and clinical case management, connecting families to essential wraparound services during complex relocations.

Public Health Emergency Preparedness Specialist | Columbia University & Community Service

- Designed and implemented CDC-funded disaster preparedness training programs, collaborating with first responders, hospitals, and local health departments to build practical emergency response systems.
- Worked in emergency response at Ground Zero after 9/11, managing Red Cross dining operations serving 3,000 meals daily to rescue workers while training volunteer teams. Led community health investigations including environmental contamination concerns and health registry development for 9/11 health tracking.

Health Journalist and CDC Fellowship | *Modern Healthcare Magazine* & CDC

- Launched award-winning public health newsbeat for the healthcare industry's leading trade publication, covering post-9/11 health system preparedness, SARS epidemic, and emerging national public health leadership.
- Competitively selected as a Knight Public Health Journalism Fellow at CDC, training in outbreak response and disease control. Launched the WTC Health Registry.

Credentials

- Master of Public Health from Columbia University
- Bachelor of Science in Journalism from Northwestern University, Medill School of Journalism
- Over 25 years of experience in public health strategy, healthcare policy, and strategic communications at the federal level and in community settings
- Proven ability to translate complex health information into actionable guidance for diverse audiences. Committed to health equity, evidence-based decision-making, and building healthier, more resilient communities.

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STATE OF HAWAII

Voter Certificate

I, Glen I. Takahashi, City Clerk of the City & County of Honolulu, State of Hawaii do hereby certify that,

JULIE J. PIOTROWSKI

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

Precinct, 01 Representative District, 25 State of Hawaii

Voter ID No: 2154106 Registration Date: 01/08/2026

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 January 8, 2026.*

Signature Block

Signature of Elector



*Glen I. Takahashi, City Clerk
City and County of Honolulu
State of Hawaii*