

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL & LEGAL AFFAIRS

## Voting Members:

Scott Y. Nishimoto, Chair; Andria Tupola, Vice Chair;  
Radiant Cordero, Tyler Dos Santos-Tam, Esther Kia'āina,  
Val A. Okimoto, Augie Tulba, Tommy Waters, Matt Weyer

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Committee Meeting Held  
March 4, 2026

Honorable Tommy Waters  
Chair, City Council  
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on International & Legal Affairs, which considered in executive session a request by the Department of the Corporation Counsel to settle the following case against the City:

"REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE GORDON J. KNOWLES V. SHERYL SUNIA, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS AN AGENT/EMPLOYEE OF THE HAWAI'I PACIFIC UNIVERSITY ET AL. CIV. NO. 1CC161001086 (CIR. CT.),"

reports as follows:

Your Committee, having been informed by the Department of the Corporation Counsel of the facts of the case and applicable law, finds that it is in the best interest of the City to settle the above-referenced case for the total sum of \$10,000.00 to be paid by the City. (Ayes: Kia'āina, Nishimoto, Okimoto, Tulba, Tupola, Waters, Weyer – 7; Noes: None; Absent: Cordero, Dos Santos-Tam – 2.)

Respectfully submitted,



Committee Chair

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## HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

ADOPTED ON MAR 25 2026

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