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August 12, 2026

The Honorable Tommy Waters, Chair
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 100
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Waters and Councilmembers:

SUBJECT: Resolution No. 26-172 – Relating to the Reappointment of Na'alehu Anthony to Serve on the Board of Water Supply of the City and County of Honolulu

As Manager and Chief Engineer of the Board of Water Supply (BWS), City and County of Honolulu, I strongly support Resolution No. 26-172 relating to the reappointment of Na`alehu Anthony to serve on the BWS Board.

Mr. Anthony became a BWS Board Member on January 27, 2021, and served as the BWS Board Chair from July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2026. During his term with the BWS, Mr. Anthony advocated for the protection of our natural resources and remediation of our environment surrounding the Red Hill contamination events, supported innovative and crucial capital improvement projects that provided resiliency to our water infrastructure, and ensured the Board upheld its mission to provide safe, dependable, and affordable drinking water now, and into the future.

Mr. Anthony's education and extensive experience provides an important native Hawaiian cultural perspective for the protection, management, and conservation of O'ahu's water resources.

Thank you for your consideration and for the opportunity to provide testimony on Resolution No. 26-172.

Very Truly Yours,

ERNEST Y.W. LAU, P.E.
Manager and Chief Engineer

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