GM56

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i

Measure Title: Community Development Authority Kakaako District, Gubernatorial

Nominee, PHILLIP HASHA, for a term to expire 06-30-2021.

Report Title:

Hawai'i Community Development Authority Kakaako District

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Introducer(s):



The Honorable Will Espero, Chair
The Honorable Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair
and members
Senate Committee on Housing
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

August 28, 2017

RE: Support for HCDA Nominee Phillip Hasha, GM56

Dear Chair Espero, Vice Chair Harimoto, and members,

I am writing to you in support of Phillip Hasha for selection to the HCDA board. I have known Phillip for several years, professionally and personally and I cannot speak more highly of his character and commitment to his community.

Serving with him on both the Voyager Public Charter School (VPCS) and Salvation Army Echelon boards has allowed me to observe his involvement and passion for others. Under his stewardship, VPCS has prospered both financially and academically culminating in VPCS recognized as the top school of its kind in the state of Hawaii for 2016. Improving the financial footing, parent engagement, and teacher communication has been a focus of the board during Phillip's tenure as President, and considering the results, I contend the school is being well-served.

Phillip's commitment extends beyond education, to underserved communities through his involvement with Salvation Army Echelon. I have witnessed his generosity of spirit and good work at outreach events such as the annual "CEO Sleep Out" and back-to-school-supplies drive. Rather than simply talking the talk, or writing a check to support the organization, Phillip personally engages with the community that needs his help. Because of the example Phillip sets, the Salvation Army Echelon team is better as a group.

Our community has many young business leaders, serial entrepreneurs, and agents of change, but few embody Phillip's character and leadership. Fewer still possess his enthusiasm and passion and I know of none more dedicated as a servant to his community.

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Sincerely,

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Dear Chair Espero, Vice Chair Harimoto, and members,

Aloha, my name is Savan Patel and I am the President of Infinium Interiors, which is a contract furniture dealer. I am writing to you to provide my 100% support and endorsement of Phillip Hasha as an HCDA Board Member. I can think of no better candidate than Phillip to dutifully execute the mission and vision of this organization.

His noted accomplishments leading an architectural and facilities management firm locally and on the mainland, is a testament to his business acumen and understanding of the local community. Phillip will be an invaluable asset to HCDA and most importantly the community, particularly during a tremendous growth period for development throughout Hawaii.

Simply put, he is fearless in his business approach and his instincts are impeccable. I highly urge you to select Phillip for this position.

Mahalo Nui Loa for your consideration!

Savan G. Patel

President & Managing Principal

To Whom it May Concern:

Phillip Hasha Principal & CEO of Redmont Real Estate, would make a welcome addition to Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) board to support the authority's primary role to supplement traditional community renewal methods by promoting and coordinating public and private sector community development.

Phillip is one of those rare, remarkable people who will continue to amaze you with his dedication and willingness to get the job done. He's demonstrated those skills as a small business owner with his wide range of marketable skills across multiple disciplines. I can't think of a more qualified person to nominate to represent businesses and non-profit owners of Kaka'ako. He would help carry forward the board's original mission of planning and cultivating a walkable, mixed use district whereby industrial, office, resident and retail all coexist within the same neighborhood.

I've had the pleasure of knowing Phillip for the past few years and most of that interaction was related to Kaka'ako and/or community outreach programs. His diligence and selfless community service is an inspiration to many. The board needs someone with that tenacity to help guide HCDA forward.

Please feel free to call me at (808) 532-4751 if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Steven Sullivan (S)

2017 President Kaka'ako Improvement Association

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Testimony of Christopher Delaunay, Government Relations Manager Pacific Resource Partnership

THE SENATE
THE TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
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COMMITTEE ON HOUSING
Senator Will Espero, Chair
Senator Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Tuesday, August 29, 2017

TIME:

1:15 pm

PLACE:

Conference Room 414

Aloha Chair Espero, Vice Chair Harimoto, and Members of the Committee:

We support GM 56, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Community Development Authority Kakaako District, Gubernatorial Nominee, Phillip Hasha, for a term to expire 06-30-2021.

Mr. Hasha has a distinguished career providing strategic direction and operational leadership in start-up, mature, and turnaround environments. He is known as an expert in creating vision, identifying opportunities, driving revenue growth, and improving profitability and an inclusive leader and consensus builder with proven success in rallying people around corporate vision, mission, goals, and objectives.

For the reasons mentioned above, we respectfully request your support on Mr. Hasha's nomination to the Hawaii Community Development Authority Kakaako District. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

About PRP

Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP) is a not-for-profit organization that represents the Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters, the largest construction union in the state, and more than 240 of Hawaii's top contractors. Through this unique partnership, PRP has become an influential voice for responsible construction and an advocate for creating a stronger, more sustainable Hawaii in a way that promotes a vibrant economy, creates jobs and enhances the quality of life for all residents.





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Dear Chair Espero, Vice Chair Harimoto, and members:

It is a privilege to provide reference for Mr. Phillip Hasha, President and CEO of Redmont Group, as he seeks appointment for the Hawaii Community Development Authority Board.

Mr. Hasha currently serves as the Co-Vice Chair and Founding Board Member for Echelon Hawaii, a local chapter of the National Young Adult Auxiliary of The Salvation Army. Echelon Hawaii is comprised of young community leaders dedicated to support the work and mission of The Salvation Army Hawaiian and Pacific Islands Division. We consider Mr. Hasha part of the army behind "The Army," as he has helped to serve thousands of children and struggling families through various Salvation Army community events held throughout the year.

Mr. Hasha's entrepreneurial background and business acumen, coupled with his dedication to serving those in need throughout the community, is what makes him an ideal candidate for the HCDA Board, an agency established for the purpose of coordinating public and private partnerships and community development. His genuine care and passion to make Hawaii a better place to live and work in is what makes my recommendation truly a meaningful one.

I welcome the opportunity to answer any questions or provide additional information with regard to my nomination and may be reached at (808) 440-1864 or Jennifer.hee@usw.salvationarmy.org.

Sincerely,

Jennifer A. Hee

Chief Development Officer

The Salvation Army Hawaiian and Pacific Islands



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Dear Chair Espero, Vice Chair Harimoto, and Members:

I write in my personal capacity as a resident of the vibrant and growing community of Kaka'ako to express my support for HCDA Nominee Phillip Hasha.

I have known Phillip well for several years, and believe firmly that his experience in starting and operating a successful business in the heart of Kaka'ako's industrial core will serve him well in his capacity as a business member of the HCDA board.

As he too is a resident of Kaka'ako, I know he will be sensitive to the challenges facing all stakeholders in the neighborhood, including the homeowners, renters, businesspeople, entrepreneurs, artists, visitors, and others. I am confident that he will serve on the HCDA board thoughtfully, deliberately, and in a way which supports the community's vision for the area.

Mahalo nui loa in advance for your favorable consideration of his nomination.

Aloha.

Tyler Dos Santos-Tam



Dear Chair Espero, Vice Chair Harimoto, and members,

I am writing this in support for HCDA Nominee Phillip Hasha, GM56. I have known Phillip for several years and it has been inspressive to see the growth of his company. I have never seen an individual come to Hawaii and adapt as quickly as Phillip has. I attribute this to the "Aloha" spirit he brings with him everywhere he goes, his willingness to give back to others, and his ability to connect with all types of people.

Mr. Hasha has been on all sides of the deal: Design, Building, Managing and Investing. He has built a company of In-House professionals who specialize in these integral areas and deliver them expertly well, not only to get the job done, but to ensure the customer understands how individual decisions affect the overall life-cycle of their asset. This expertly crafted approach to commercial Real Estate is translated seamlessly well on every development decision. Years of delivering this type of service has built Phillip Hasha's Integrity, Trust, Character, and Influence in the community.

The benefit of Integrity: trust.

At one time, you could assume that others would trust you until you gave them a reason not to. Today, you must prove your trustworthiness first. That is what makes integrity so important if you want to become a person of influence.

People want to be influenced by individuals they can trust, persons of good Character. Phillip Hasha models a consistency of character, employs honest communication, and demonstrates his support of others by putting them first.

"Help enough other people to succeed, and you will succeed also." - Zig Ziglar

Everyone has an influence. If your life in any way connects with other people; you are an influencer. Phillip Hasha's successful leadership stems from his ability to positively influence his employees. This is done through hiring locally and helping others prosper by Modeling, Motivating, Mentoring, and Multiplying. The more people he connects with, the more they will pass on his influence to make each person there after better than they were before. This type of accomplishment spread throughout Hawai'i would positively impact the local community.

No matter what your goals are in life or what you want to accomplish, you can achieve them faster, you can be more effective, and the contribution you make can be longer lasting if you learn how to become a person of influence. This is what Phillip Hasha has done, and that is why I write to you in support for HDCA Nominee Phillip Hasha, GM56.

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

THE HONORABLE WILL ESPERO, CHAIR

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GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE JASON T. OKUHAMA SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Testimony of John P. Whalen, FAICP

Chair Espero, Vice Chair Harimoto, and Members of the Committee:

I am pkeased to provide testimony before the Senate Committee on Housing, in support of GM57, the confirmation of Jason T. Okuhama to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA).

Jason Okuhama and I have served on the HCDA Kaka'ako board together since April 2015, during which time I have been its Chair. Jason has been a very able and reliable member, contributing not only his seasoned perspectives as a Kaka'ako resident, but also his professional expertise in finance, and his previous service as a board member of a public agency (Aloha Tower Development Authority) and a non-profit organization (Hawaii Alliance for Community-Based Economic Development), and as the president of his condominium's AOAO. I can count on him to regularly attend board meetings and hearings so that we have a quorum, come well-prepared to make informed decisions on matters before the board, participate in special task forces on specific issues, and act ethically and responsibly in accordance with State statutes and legal counsel. Jason's knowledge and background are particularly helpful in currently pending board decisions, such as rules governing reserved and workforce housing and a proposed lease of State land for a public-private high-technology center.

I strongly support Jason Okuhama's confirmation for an additional term on the HCDA Kaka'ako board so that he can continue his valuable public service.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

Respectfully,

John P. Whalen, FAICP

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