

## PEA Committee

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Aloha Councilmember Sugimura:

?On behalf of Stanford Carr please see attached testimony letter in support of Gladys Baisa.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact our office.

Thank you,??????

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Re: Testimony in Support of Gladys Baisa Confirmation as Director of Water Supply

My name is Stanford Carr and I write this testimony in strong support of PEA-87 confirming Mayor Arakawa's appointment of Ms. Gladys Baisa to Director of the Board of Water Supply. I've known Ms. Baisa for over 15 years in her previous position as Executive Director of the Maui Economic Opportunity (MEO). Under her exemplary stewardship, MEO has grown and thrived to become a nationally recognized community action agency providing much needed support services including infant care, senior transportation, and inmate reintegration as well as assisting persons with disabilities.

Her deep passion and commitment to the County and its residents extends beyond MEO as she started the Maui Nonprofit Directors Association and was a founding member of the Ka Ipu Kukui Fellows Program as well as GO Maui. Ms. Baisa endeavored to aid Maui in a greater capacity by successfully pursuing public service as a member of the County Council from January 2007 until January 2017. During her tenure, Ms. Baisa not only served as Chair of the Council but also the Water Committee on which she sat for all 10 years. She has a proven record of effective local, state, and federal legislative experience.

Since being appointed by Mayor Arakawa as Deputy Director of Water Supply in January of 2017 and subsequently Director in July 2018, Ms. Baisa has worked tirelessly to address and solve long standing issues. She has established a healthy working relationship with the union representatives which has led to the stability of the department and its operating at a high level of productivity.

In closing, I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to submit testimony in strong support of Ms. Baisa's confirmation to Director of the Board of Water Supply and commend her years of public service and leadership.

Much Mahalo,



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