#### COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

## GOVERNANCE, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE

February 21, 2020	Committee	
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Honorable Chair and Members of the County Council County of Maui Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Governance, Ethics, and Transparency Committee, having met on February 4, 2020, makes reference to County Communication 19-24, from Council Chair Kelly T. King, relating to nominations to boards, committees, and commissions.

By correspondence dated and received on January 6, 2020, the Mayor transmitted a proposed resolution, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF RUSSELL JOHNSON TO THE REAL PROPERTY TAX REVIEW BOARD," with a completed application for the nominee. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve or disapprove the Mayor's nomination of Russell Johnson to the Real Property Tax Review Board, for a term expiring on March 31, 2021, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Scott Innes.

Your Committee notes general appointment procedures for boards and commissions are outlined in Section 13-2, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended, and Chapter 2.41, Maui County Code ("MCC").

Your Committee further notes specific provisions for the Real Property Tax Review Board are located in Sections 2.40.170 and 3.48.620, MCC.

The Council must approve or disapprove Mr. Johnson's nomination to the Real Property Tax Review Board by March 6, 2020, or the nomination will be deemed approved.

Your Committee met with Mr. Johnson.

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Mr. Johnson said his financial background will be beneficial to the Real Property Tax Review Board. He said he has a duty to serve his community and is available to attend board meetings.

As noted in his application, Mr. Johnson was employed as Chief Financial Officer for Maui Health Systems before retiring in December 2012. He has also held senior finance positions with Kapalua Land Company and Wailea Resort.

A representative of the Mayor said Mr. Johnson is excited for the opportunity to serve his community.

Your Committee was satisfied with Mr. Johnson's application and recommended his nomination be approved.

Your Committee voted 9-0 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution approving the nomination. Committee Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, and members Hokama, Kama, King, Lee, Paltin, Sinenci, and Sugimura voted "aye."

Your Governance, Ethics, and Transparency Committee RECOMMENDS that Resolution \_\_\_\_\_\_, attached hereto, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF RUSSELL JOHNSON TO THE REAL PROPERTY TAX REVIEW BOARD," be ADOPTED.

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This report is submitted in accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of the Council.

MICHAEL J. MOLINA, Chair

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## Resolution

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RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF RUSSELL JOHNSON TO THE REAL PROPERTY TAX REVIEW BOARD

WHEREAS, by correspondence dated January 6, 2020, Mayor Michael P. Victorino notified the Council he nominated Russell Johnson to the Real Property Tax Review Board for a term expiring on March 31, 2021, to fill a vacancy replacing Scott Innes, pursuant to Sections 2.40.170 and 3.48.620, Maui County Code ("MCC"), and Section 13-2, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended ("Charter"); and

WHEREAS, Section 13-2 of the Charter required the Mayor's nominee to be approved by the Council; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 13-2(17), requires the Council to approve or disapprove the nomination within sixty days after the Mayor submits the name of the nominee to the Council because of the death, resignation, or removal of a member; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

- 1. That it approves the appointment of Russell Johnson to serve on the Real Property Tax Review Board for a term expiring March 31, 2021; and
- 2. That the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Russell Johnson for his willingness to be considered for public service and actively participate in County government; and
- 3. That certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and the Corporation Counsel.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

EDWARD S. KUSHI, JR.

Department of the Corporation Counsel

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