

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

# GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE

August 24, 2021

**Committee  
Report No.** \_\_\_\_\_

Honorable Chair and Members  
of the County Council  
County of Maui  
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Government Relations, Ethics, and Transparency Committee, having met on August 3, 2021, makes reference to County Communication 21-42, from Council Chair Alice L. Lee, relating to nominations to boards, committees, and commissions.

By correspondence dated July 2, 2021, and received on July 7, 2021, the Mayor transmitted a proposed resolution, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MELISSA JOHNSON TO THE MAUI COUNTY COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES," with a completed application for the nominee.

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve or disapprove the Mayor's nomination of Melissa Johnson to the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities, for a term expiring on March 31, 2022, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Melody Uchimura.

Your Committee notes general appointment procedures for boards, committees, 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.

Your Committee further notes specific provisions for the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities are located in Sections 2.32.020 and 2.32.030, Maui County Code.

The Council must approve or disapprove the nomination by September 5, 2021, or the nomination will be deemed approved.

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Your Committee discussed the nomination.

A representative from the Office of the Mayor said Ms. Johnson is head of the Special Education Department at H.P. Baldwin High School. She holds a special interest in assisting persons with disabilities and looks forward to serving on the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities, if selected.

Ms. Johnson is also involved in the community, having served as a former Girl Scout leader in Arizona and Hawaii. She is a volunteer with Hospice of Maui.

Your Committee was satisfied with the nomination and recommended Ms. Johnson's appointment be approved.

Your Committee voted 7-0 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution approving the nomination. Committee Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, and members Johnson, King, Lee, Paltin, and Sinenci voted "aye." Committee members Kama and Sugimura were excused.

Your Government Relations, Ethics, and Transparency Committee RECOMMENDS that Resolution \_\_\_\_\_, attached hereto, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MELISSA JOHNSON TO THE MAUI COUNTY COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES," be ADOPTED.

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



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MICHAEL J. MOLINA, Chair

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# Resolution

No. \_\_\_\_\_

RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MELISSA JOHNSON  
TO THE MAUI COUNTY COMMISSION ON  
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

WHEREAS, by correspondence dated July 2 , 2021, Mayor Michael P. Victorino notified the Council he nominated Melissa Johnson to the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities for a term expiring on March 31, 2022, to fill a vacancy replacing Melody Uchimura, pursuant to Sections 2.32.020 and 2.32.030, Maui County Code ("MCC"), and Section 13-2, Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended ("Charter"); and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 13-2, requires 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 Melissa Johnson to serve on the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities for a term expiring March 31, 2022; and
2. That the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Melissa Johnson for her 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

/s/ Mimi Desjardins

MIMI DESJARDINS

Department of the Corporation Counsel  
County of Maui

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