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Aloha,

I hope this email finds everyone in great health and spirit in 2019.

I have had the pleasure of knowing Marc Takamori since 2011 as a dedicated transportation official and industry peer; I am greatly pleased to support him in this endeavor as Director of Transportation for Maui County.

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Mr. Takamori absolutely knows the Maui Bus from its early days to its present time. Much of the formative work he has invested into the system has resulted in the rapid growth and efficiencies the system has enjoyed during his tenure. As well as knowing the intricate details of the Maui Bus' operations, he marries this knowledge with the requisite local and federal laws required to seek and leverage funding for Maui's successful transit agency. Mr. Takamori has the expertise and leadership to grow the Maui Bus and provide top-notch customer service to Maui's constituents.

As Marc's counterpart in my service at the City and County of Honolulu, I can think of no one better prepared and qualified to take the helm as Director of Maui's transportation program. I pledge to work closely with him as well as our Kaua'i and Hawai'i county transportation leaders and 'ohana to bring transformative change to help our islands reach our sustainable goals through quality transportation, sustainable technologies, and smart procurement. Together, we can all thrive.

I offer my sincere and enthusiastic support of Marc Takamori in his potential capacity as Director of Transportation for Maui County. Please do not hesitate to call me should there be any questions or followup needed.

Me ka 'oia'i'o,

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