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**Attachments:** endorse teruya.docx

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**Subject:** Finance Director Confirmation

Dear Council Chair and Council Members:

Please accept my endorsement of Scott Teruya. I have worked with Scott for many years and submit the below and attached letter of support.

Dear Council Chair King and Council members:

I am writing to concur with the Mayor's choice for Finance Director. I have worked with Scott Teruya for many years. I was with the real property from 1996-2002 and 2007 to present. Scott has taken real property into the 21<sup>st</sup> century in a very positive way. Not only does Real Property Assessment bring in over 50% of the revenue for the County of Maui. He has made sure we all have the best tools available and the most up to date applications. I'm the Tax Maps supervisor, we have moved from hand drawn maps to AutoCad and in 2014 moved completely into public facing GIS mapping.

He has led real property into a professional status with IAAO certification (International Association of Assessing Officers). Maui County is 38<sup>th</sup> in the nation 'of counties' with the certification that insures equitable professional property valuation and assessment standards at an international level. This has helped our division to improve its valuation methods, policies and meet the highest standards as a division. Other changes such as with our Compliance section has ensured RPA brings in even more revenue for the county. Mayor Arakawa publically recognized Real Property for meeting this new standard.

I believe Scott's drive, education, experience and understanding of appraisal and collections over these many successful years gives him a unique background and important knowledge other Finance Directors have not had. He has helped other directors succeed by sharing his knowledge and assisting them. With his background and ability to understand how systems work he will undoubtedly help the Finance Division to also rise to new standards of excellence just as he

has with Real Property. I believe Mayor Victorino made a wise choice in selecting Scott Teruya as the new Finance Director. I support the mayor and the council in confirming Scott as our new Finance Director secure in knowing he will do the absolute best for Maui County to make our community fiscally sound and ensure we, as a county, will be better for having him in the position

Sincerely,

Dawn Matney  
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