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Dear GET Committee,

Attached is my written testimony regarding GET-1(2) (Confirmation of Moana Lutey as Corporation Counsel).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,  
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April 30, 2019

Dear Chair Molina and Members of the Governance, Ethics, and Transparency Committee:

Re: GET-1(2) (Confirmation of Moana Lutey as Corporation Counsel)

I am submitting this letter in strong support of the confirmation of Moana Lutey as Corporation Counsel for the County of Maui. I have served as a Deputy Corporation Counsel in the Litigation Section since July 2015 and Moana has been my direct supervisor. I believe that Moana is highly qualified to serve as the head of our department.

Moana is an excellent attorney and has incomparable institutional knowledge about the County of Maui, including the legal challenges our department faces on a daily basis. As a supervisor, Moana has always had an open-door policy, which is greatly appreciated. Even with a full caseload of her own work, she takes the time to meet with us to brainstorm solutions to problems and provide helpful and insightful guidance. Moana also leads by example with her consistent hard work and integrity. There have been numerous occasions where potential witnesses have been hesitant to initially speak with me (probably because no one really looks forward to speaking with an attorney), but once I mentioned Moana is my supervisor they have opened up immediately based on the goodwill and trust she has built with County employees over the years.

In addition to her professional qualifications, over the nearly four years that I've gotten to know Moana, I have found her to be a caring, considerate, and thoughtful person. Further, Moana's appointment as the first female Corporation Counsel for the County of Maui is an inspiration. In sum, Moana brings the leadership and stability that our department needs at this time. I strongly urge you to confirm Moana as Corporation Counsel as there is no one more capable and qualified for the position.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christie Trenholme