

**COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI**  
**GOVERNANCE, ETHICS, AND**  
**TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE**

October 23, 2020

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

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 October 6, 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 September 18, 2020 (received on September 21, 2020), the Mayor transmitted a proposed resolution, entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MELODY UCHIMURA TO THE MAUI COUNTY COMMISSION ON PERSON 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 Melody Uchimura 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 Petrina Castillo.

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 ("Charter"), and Chapter 2.41, Maui County Code ("MCC").

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, MCC.

The Council must approve or disapprove Ms. Uchimura's nomination to the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities by November 20, 2020, or the nomination will be deemed approved.

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By correspondence dated September 25, 2020, the Department of the Corporation Counsel transmitted a revised proposed resolution correcting the term's expiration date to March 31, 2022, and incorporating a nonsubstantive revision.

Your Committee discussed Ms. Uchimura's nomination to the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities and interviewed Ms. Uchimura.

Ms. Uchimura said being a board member would be a way to give back to the community while working with individuals with disabilities, an area she is passionate about.

According to her board application, Ms. Uchimura has been employed by the Arc of Maui County, a nonprofit organization that promotes and protects the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, since April 2018. She is also a recent board member of Horizons Academy of Maui.

Your Committee discussed Ms. Uchimura's availability to attend meetings, whether held in person or via interactive conference technology.

Your Committee was satisfied with Ms. Uchimura's application and recommended her nomination be approved.

Your Committee voted 9-0 to recommend adoption of the revised 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 MELODY UCHIMURA 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

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RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MELODY UCHIMURA  
TO THE MAUI COUNTY COMMISSION ON  
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

WHEREAS, by correspondence dated September 18, 2020, Mayor Michael P. Victorino notified the Council he nominated Melody Uchimura to the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities for a term expiring on March 31, 2022, to fill a vacancy replacing Petrina Castillo, 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 Melody Uchimura to serve on the Maui County Commission on Persons with Disabilities for a term expiring March 31, 2022;
2. That the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Melody Uchimura 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

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MIMI DESJARDINS

Department of the Corporation Counsel  
County of Maui

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