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The Honorable Ernest Y. Martin, Chair  
and Members  
Honolulu City Council  
530 South King Street, Room 202  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: Letter in Support of the Confirmation of Ms. Katy Chen to the Ethics Commission

Dear Chair Martin and Councilmembers:

I am writing this letter in support of Katy Chen's confirmation to the Ethics Commission. I have had the pleasure of getting to know Katy through my involvement with PATCH, where Katy serves as executive director. In my tenure as a PATCH board director for nearly five years with terms as both board treasurer and president, I have worked closely with her on a wide variety of issues ranging from sensitive personnel matters to long range strategic planning.

During this period, I have observed Katy to be a thoughtful decision maker that takes the time to understand the complexities of an issue. Her rational thinking and legal background combined with a passion for helping others enables her to maintain a well rounded perspective.

Based on her integrity, intelligence and dedication to our broader community, I believe Katy Chen will be an asset to the Ethics Commission. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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