

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI
**POLICY AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

July 8, 2014

**Committee
Report No.** _____

Honorable Chair and Members
of the County Council
County of Maui
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Policy and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee, having met on June 16, 2014, makes reference to County Communication 14-131, from Mayor Alan M. Arakawa, recommending the removal of Autumn Arase from the Council on Aging because of attendance concerns, pursuant to Section 13-2(5) of the Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended ("Charter").

At the request of the Chair of your Committee, the Department of the Corporation Counsel transmitted a proposed resolution entitled "REMOVAL OF AUTUMN ARASE FROM THE COUNCIL ON AGING", approved as to form and legality. The purpose of the proposed resolution is to approve the removal of Autumn Arase from the Council on Aging based on the Mayor's recommendation that she be removed.

Your Committee notes Section 13-2(5) of the Charter provides that members of boards and commissions appointed by the Mayor, with the approval of the Council, may be removed for cause upon recommendation of such removal by the Mayor and the approval of two-thirds of the entire membership of the Council.

Your Committee further notes Ms. Arase was appointed to the Council on Aging for a term expiring on March 31, 2016, by Resolution 12-70, adopted on July 6, 2012.

In his correspondence, the Mayor recommended Ms. Arase be removed from the Council on Aging because of attendance concerns. He stated since her appointment, Ms. Arase attended two scheduled meetings in August 2012 and October 2012, but has missed nine consecutive scheduled meetings from December 2012 to April 2014.

An Executive Assistant, Office of the Mayor, noted the Mayor's recommendation to remove Ms. Arase from the Council on Aging has no bearing on Ms. Arase's character, but rather, on quorum and participation issues. The Executive Assistant also provided a copy of a written request dated April 15, 2014, to Ms. Arase, asking for

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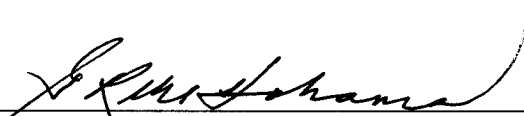
written confirmation of her status. He advised your Committee the Mayor did not receive a written response.

Your Committee voted 6-1 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution and filing of the communication. Committee Chair Hokama, Vice-Chair Couch, and members Baisa, Carroll, Crivello, and Victorino voted "aye". Committee member Guzman voted "no". Committee members Cochran and White were excused.

Your Policy and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That Resolution _____, attached hereto, entitled "REMOVAL OF AUTUMN ARASE FROM THE COUNCIL ON AGING", be ADOPTED; and
2. That County Communication 14-131 be FILED.

This report is submitted in accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of the Council.



G. RIKI HOKAMA, Chair

Resolution

No. _____

REMOVAL OF AUTUMN ARASE FROM THE COUNCIL ON AGING

WHEREAS, by letter dated May 16, 2014, Mayor Alan M. Arakawa recommended the removal of member Autumn Arase from the Council on Aging because of attendance concerns; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arase was appointed to the Council on Aging for a term expiring on March 31, 2016, by Resolution 12-70, adopted on July 6, 2012; and

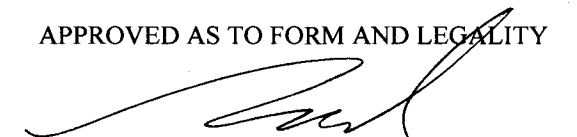
WHEREAS, in his letter, the Mayor states that since her appointment, Ms. Arase attended two scheduled meetings in August 2012 and October 2012, but has missed nine consecutive scheduled meetings from December 2012 to April 2014; and

WHEREAS, Section 13-2(5) of the Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended, provides that members of boards and commissions appointed by the Mayor, with the approval of the Council, may be removed for cause upon recommendation of such removal by the Mayor and the approval of two-thirds of the entire membership of the Council; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

1. That it hereby approves the removal of Autumn Arase from the Council on Aging; and
2. That such removal shall be effective upon adoption of this resolution; 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



Edward S. Kushi, Jr.
First Deputy Corporation Counsel
County of Maui