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**HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL  
COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES  
& ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
19<sup>th</sup> Session**

**DATE:** November 9, 2004 (Tuesday)  
**PLACE:** Councilroom  
**TIME:** 3:30 p.m.

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**CALL TO ORDER**

**STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

**REFERRALS**

Comm. 792: REQUEST FROM HCEOC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GEORGE YOKOYAMA FOR HEARING ON NEEDS FOR TRANSPORTATION FOR THE LOW-INCOME ELDERLY, LOW-INCOME PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN, AND THE DISABLED

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From Hawai'i County Economic Opportunity Council Executive Director George Yokoyama, dated September 27, 2004, requesting the convening of a hearing on the above human services need. States he will be terminating the employment of six (6) drivers effective September 30, 2004, due to unexpected rise in gasoline price and vehicle repairs, drastic reduction in Medicaid reimbursements, and the high cost of health insurance premiums for employees.

Comm. 792.1: From Yoshito Takamine, President, Alliance for Retired Americans (ARA, Big Island), supporting the efforts of George Yokoyama to serve the transportation needs of senior citizens.

Comm. 811: APPOINTMENT OF MARGARET MASUNAGA TO THE HAWAI'I COUNTY COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN  
From Mayor Harry Kim, dated October 11, 2004, informing that he has appointed Ms. Margaret Masunaga of Council District 7 to the Committee on the Status of Women. Ms. Masunaga is currently a Deputy Corporation Counsel with the County of Hawai'i's Office of the Corporation Counsel. A member of the Democratic party, if confirmed, she will serve a term to expire on December 31, 2007, replacing Ms. Cindy Hara, whose term expired on December 31, 2003.

### **STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC/ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting place is accessible for persons with physical disabilities. Persons who need special accommodations to attend this meeting should call 961-8245 by **November 5, 2004**. Persons using TDDs may call 961-8521.

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**VIEWING OF MEETINGS ON GOVERNMENT ACCESS TELEVISION - Channel 52 (Hilo/Kona)**  
Public Works & Intergovernmental Relations, Finance and Parks and Environmental Management Committee meetings - Tuesdays, November 16 and 23, 2004, at 8:30 p.m.; Planning and Human Services & Economic Development Committee meetings - Thursdays, November 18 and 25, 2004, at 8:30 p.m.; and all five Committee meetings - Sunday, November 28, 2004, at 10:30 a.m.