

COMMITTEE FOR EQUITY IN WOMEN'S SURFING

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Chair Heidi Tsuneyoshi and Committee Members
Honolulu Parks, Community Services and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee
530 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Support Resolution 20-12

Dear Chair Tsuneyoshi,

The Committee for Equity in Women's Surfing enthusiastically supports Resolution 20-12. We respectfully request that committee members support gender equality in professional surfing.

We are inspired by this groundbreaking resolution and hopeful that other public agencies will adopt similar resolutions and policies.

In 2018, the Committee for Equity in Women's Surfing won the fight for global pay parity in professional surfing. Our work is the subject of two documentary films and hundreds of news stories. In February 2019, a feature story by Dan Duane was published in New York Times Magazine, "The Fight for Gender Equality, In One of the Most Dangerous Sports on Earth."

Increasing the number of events and the number of awards for women, as well as offering equal prize money, is the only way to achieve meaningful equity in competitive sports. Please support Resolution 20-12.

Thank you,

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Paige Alms, Co-Founder
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