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It is without question the Aloha Section is one of the most unique sections of The PGA of America. We consider ourselves fortunate to wake up every morning and grow the game of golf in our island paradise. While some may consider us the envy of the industry, golf in Hawaii has its challenges.

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Therefore, as a small section we hold our two votes for national secretary very sacred. It is our hope to support a candidate that not only understands our industry's challenges but relates to the hardships of our members and apprentices. A candidate that sees past the beauty of the islands and realizes the financial burden its geography creates.

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An exceptional amount of consideration has been given by this Board to submit a Letter of Support for one of the candidates. We are absolutely proud of all four candidates as distinguished PGA members who selflessly dedicate their time to the Association. We strongly feel that each would be outstanding as a National officer representing the entire membership. However, as a Board we also take into consideration the candidate's view that align locally with our member's goals and challenges in the islands especially with the unknown future of the COVID pandemic.

Therefore, on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Aloha Section, it is my duty to respectfully submit this Letter of Support for candidate Don Rea, PGA. We feel Don's authenticity aligns with our core values of the Aloha Spirit and regardless of external pressure from constituencies he remains 'Onipa'a (*steadfast*) to serve the best interests of all PGA members.

Mahalo for your consideration of our letter,

Kevin D. Carll, PGA  
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