

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 480,
481, 482, 509, 510

Honorable Robert Bunda
President of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 480, 481, 482, 509, and 510, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

HAWAI'I COMMISSION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

G.M. No. 480	JUNE LEE, for a term to expire 06-30-2010;
G.M. No. 481	BESSIE J.T. LIMPE, for a term to expire 06-30-2010;
G.M. No. 482	MARY "NEVA" AGGRENEVA REGO, for a term to expire 06-30-2010;
G.M. No. 509	STACY STAN KAWAI HIGA, for a term to expire 6-30-2010; and
G.M. No. 510	BRYSEN CRAIG POULTON, for a term to expire 6-30-2010,

begs leave to report as follows:

Testimony in support of the nomination of JUNE LEE was submitted by six individuals. Ms. Lee is a semi-retired businesswoman who is devoted to working for charitable causes, such as helping war veterans and the disabled, and organizing health fairs with her husband, who is a doctor. She is a goal-oriented team player who is bright, energetic, caring, and well organized, as well as highly respected by the local Korean



community. She will help to promote the involvement of older adults in service and volunteerism while serving on the Commission.

Testimony in support of the nomination of BESSIE J.T. LIMPE was submitted by one individual. Ms. Limpe worked as an office manager in a medical practice for sixteen years before beginning a second career in the state civil service. She has been involved with fundraising events and believes in volunteering and contributing to charitable organizations to help the needy. She will work to provide public safety services to communities and persons on the Commission.

Testimony in support of the nomination of MARY "NEVA" AGGRENEVA REGO was submitted by one individual. Ms. Rego is a voice teacher who serves on the boards of directors of Hawaii Opera Theatre and Sacred Hearts Academy. She will reflect the interests of community-based organizations on the Commission.

Testimony in support of the nomination of STACY STAN KAWAI HIGA was submitted by the University of Hawaii and the Vice Chair of the Commission. Mr. Higa is currently Chair of the Hawaii County Council, but previously had a twenty-year career in business. For the past five years he has served as Chair of the Commission, during which time he has successfully developed the role of the Commission and placed it on a path toward sustainability, while supporting and encouraging projects that serve Hawaii's communities. He has cultivated good relationships with federal agency personnel and learned federal rules and procedures, resulting in the expansion of high-quality national service programs, such as AmeriCorps, in Hawaii. Mr. Higa will represent business on the Commission.

Testimony in support of the nomination of BRYSEN CRAIG POULTON was submitted by seven individuals. Mr. Poulton, an education specialist with the Division of Consumer Advocacy of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, is a creative thinker with aptitude for relating to all types of people, who has greatly expanded his Division's outreach to the public. He is community-oriented, respectful of Hawaiian kupuna, and "a servant of the people." He will represent community-based organizations on the Commission.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report,



your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominees, has found the nominees to be qualified for the positions to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Higher Education,



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



