

Resume for Ruth S. Stepulis, RN, MSN
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Born: Gloversville, New York, March 10, 1939

Education: 1977 Vanderbilt University Masters of Science Nursing—Chronic Diseases
1973 U. S. Army Nurse Practitioner Course certificate
1972 University of Maryland Baltimore BSN
1960 Bellvue Schools of Nursing Diploma, New York
1957 Gloversville High School Diploma

Employment:

1960-1980 U.S. Army Nurse Corps serving around the world. Oversease –France and Viet Nam. Held various nursing positions from staff nursing to Supervision. Last position: was at Tripler Army Medical Center, Honolulu, HI. Established the first Nurse Practitioner in a Medical Center at William Beaumont Army Medical Center. As Nursing Supervisor for over 200 nursing personnel working in the Medical and Psychiatric units and clinics. Retired as a Lieutenant Colonel.

1980-83 Coordinator for State wide Health Fairs in Hawaii and Washington State

1984-86 University of Hawaii School of Nursing Faculty teaching Management

1985-88 Volunteer at Central Union Church

1988-2000 Hawaii Pacific University Nursing Department Faculty teaching health Assessment part time.

1988-2003 Central Union Church, Honolulu Hawaii. Parish Nurse. First one in the State of Hawaii.

2003-Present Retired but volunteering with seniors and others.

Professional licensure RN State of Hawaii-1980 –present (Formerly held NY State License from 1961-2000

Organizational Membership

PABEA: 2005 - present

Honolulu Committee on Aging ex-officio

Honolulu Gerontology Society

Parish Nurse Association

Hawaii Case Managers Assoc.

Central Union Church 1979-present

Have served as President of Women's League, Chair of Board of Deaconesses x 2 (presently in that position)

Scholarship committee of the Women's League –Chair for 2 years.

Sigma Theta Tau National Honor society and the local chapter was chair for one year and held other positions throughout the years.1979-present

Bellevue Alumnae Association 1961-present

Awards:

Retired as LTC U.S, Army Nurse Corps with Meritorious Service Medal, Bronze Star and Viet Nam Medal
Sigma Theta Tau Excellence in Nursing Practice 1995
AONE Duane Walker Award for Contribution to Nursing Practice 2000
Pacific Health Ministry –Pioneer in Nursing award 2003
Mayor’s Proclamation for contributions to Nursing 2003
Bellevue Alumnae Association Nursing award 2005
There have been more awards throughout the years.

References:

Dr. Rev. Lawrence Corbett
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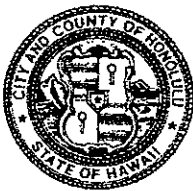
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February 18, 2007

The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair
Committee on Health
Hawaii State Senate
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 215
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Ige:

Subject: Recommendation for Ruth Stepulis to Policy Advisory Board for
Elder Affairs (PABEA)

Ruth Stepulis served as a member of the Honolulu Committee on Aging, the advisory body for the Elderly Affairs Division, for two 3-year terms from 1998 to 2004. During her tenure, Ms. Stepulis served as chair of the Committee for two years and provided outstanding leadership by helping the Committee formulate objectives and an action agenda. She also served as an active member or chair of each of the three subcommittees: advocacy, planning, and senior recognition. Ms. Stepulis has since then served as liaison from the PABEA to the Honolulu Committee on Aging. She remains active and has provided opportunities to stay connected with activities at the state level.

Ms. Stepulis' professional credentials and employment as a Hawaii Pacific University assistant professor and Central Union Church parish nurse made her an asset in the work of the Committee. Her interest, initiative, and commitment to the welfare of the older population are evident in numerous activities she undertook. Going the extra mile was the norm, from thoroughly reviewing applications for aging services funding to finding a sponsor for a luncheon to thank judges of the senior recognition program.

We have benefited from Ms. Stepulis' dedication to the aging population and believe that she will continue to be an asset as a member of the state Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs. I am honored to recommend her appointment.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Karen K. Miyake".

Karen K. Miyake
County Executive on Aging
Elderly Affairs Division

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From: "Michael Sumja" <michaelsumja@yahoo.com>
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Sent: Saturday, March 29, 2008 3:02 PM
Subject: Letter of Support for PABEA Reappointment of Ruth Stepulis

TO: Senator Ige,
Chair, Senate Health Committee

RE: Reappointment of Ruth Stepulis to PABEA

Hearing: Monday, March 31, 2008

Aloha Senator Ige and Committee members:

It is with great pleasure, and confidence, that I write this testimony in strong support of reappointing Ruth Stepulis to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs. As Chair of PABEA I have come to depend heavily on Ruth's remarkable organizational skills as Recognition and Awards Committee Chair. Her efforts with the Outstanding Older American Award program each year is second to none, and we need her to continue this very important work.

Ruth's dedication and passion for our Kupuna is extraordinary and her character is above reproach. In short, you could not find a better candidate to serve on PABEA. I enthusiastically recommend reappointment of Ms. Stepulis.

Sincerely,
Michael B. Sumja, Chair
Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs

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Sent: Friday, February 15, 2008 9:58 AM
Subject: Letter of Recommendation for The Policy Advisory Board Elderly Affairs

Dear Senators,

I am writing on behalf of Ms. Ruth Stepulis. I have known Ruth for only six months as I began my work as Senior Minister of Central Union Church in September, 2007. However, I have learned quickly how gifted Ms Stepulis is and the depth of her commitment to service with senior citizens.

She is presently chairperson of the Board of Deaconesses of Central Union Church. She provides guidance, oversight, orientation, and support for the women who visit older adults in the congregation. Recently, as an example of Ruth's creativity when the Deaconesses took Christmas floral plants to each of the older adults Ruth encouraged them to take along bottled water and a flier encouraging the senior residents to "be prepared for a natural disaster" such as a hurricane or earth quake by having stored supplies including water, food, etc. I don't know many churches that have such sensitive, creative leadership!

I have learned that Ruth is a very conscientious, politically aware person and timely in her work in the church and service with older adults. As a retired registered nurse she served Central Union for a lengthy time as a "parish nurse" which kept her in touch with many older church members.

I give her my highest recommendation for your consideration for the policy Advisory Board for Elderly Affairs. If I can answer any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at Central Union Church, 941 – 0957.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence W. Corbett
Senior Minister, Central Union Church