



GOV. MSG. NO. 479

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

March 3, 2008

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Sirs and Mesdames:

In accordance with the provisions of Article V, Section 6, of the Hawai'i State Constitution, I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration and confirmation, the following nomination to the **Board of Health**:

Ann M. Kwock

Term to Expire: 6/30/2012

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda Lingle".

LINDA LINGLE

Presentation Before the Senate Health Committee

April 2, 2008

Ann Kwock

Board of Health

Chair Ige, Vice Chair Fukunaga and members of the Senate Health Committee:
Thank you for this opportunity to present my background about myself in your consideration of my confirmation to the Board of Health.

I was born and raised in Honolulu, Hawaii and attended and graduated from Kalani High School. I continued my undergraduate education attending the University of Hawaii at Manoa, and Oregon State University through selection and participation in the National Student Exchange.

I was very fortunate to be accepted as one of four WICHE candidates from Hawaii for admission to Veterinary School, attending Oregon State University's College of Veterinary Medicine. After graduating from vet school, I returned to Hawaii to practice small animal medicine for the same number of years that I was supported by the state as a WICHE student. Once my obligation to the state was completed, I continued my graduate education by pursuing a residency at Michigan State University in Veterinary Clinical Pathology, or the study of diseases in domestic animals. After completion of my residency, I assumed an instructorship position at North Carolina State University in Veterinary Clinical Pathology and enjoyed not only providing clinical service to the veterinary hospital, but also teaching, training and working with a diverse group of veterinary students and other clinical residents and faculty members. After leaving academia, I returned to private small animal practice, and experienced working in the private industry sector as well. Married, and with a family of my own now, I returned to Hawaii to raise my children in a place that I knew they would be safe and flourish.

Being the daughter of former Salt Lake Elementary School Principal Margaret Furukawa (now retired), I witnessed first hand, the endless hours of public and community service my mom gave to her school, her community, her district and to her state. Collaborating and working tirelessly with numerous individuals on countless service projects allowed her to interact with everyone from the parents, faculty and staff at her school, to her professional colleagues, her district superintendent and Senator Norman Sakamoto. Growing up with under her influence, I too, from a very early age was brought up to "give back to my community", to provide public service, and to strive to always make Hawaii a better place for tomorrow.

I believe that my integrity, sincerity, strong moral values, education and experiences provide me with a foundation to make a positive contribution to the Board of Health. I have a vested interest in providing my children and their children's children a haven

which is safe for years to come. I look forward to this challenge and commitment to public service, and humbly ask for your support of my nomination to the Board of Health.

Aloha and Mahalo!

LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR OF HAWAII



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In reply, please refer to:
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Committee on Health

GM 479 Gubernatorial Nominee for Board of Health

Testimony of Chiyome Leinaala Fukino, M.D. Director of Health

April 2, 2008

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health supports the nomination and confirmation of Ann
2 M. Kwock, DVM to a second term on the Board of Health.

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None.

4 **Purpose and Justification:** Dr. Kwock is a small animal veterinarian with expertise in veterinary
5 clinical pathology. Dr. Kwock's perspective will enhance the Board of Health, especially as it concerns
6 the relationship of animals to human health, as with diseases like SARS, poxvirus, and avian influenza.

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8 Dr. Kwock has been an active member of the Board during her first term and we appreciate her
9 willingness to continue serving as a Board member.

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11 Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of nominee Dr. Ann M. Kwock to the State
12 Board of Health.

**TESTIMONY OF KRIS N. NAKAGAWA (by electronic mail)
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
ON
GM NO. 479
APRIL 2, 2008, 1:15 p.m.**

**RELATING TO ANN M. KWOCK, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE TO THE BOARD OF
HEALTH, FOR TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2012**

Chair Ige, Vice-Chair Fukunaga, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on GM No. 479.

I strongly support the appointment of Ann M. Kwock, D.V.M. ("Dr. Kwock") as a member of the Board of Health ("Board").

I am an attorney licensed in Hawaii since 1992. I first met Dr. Kwock when I attended Oregon State University in 1982. At that time, Dr. Kwock was also attending Oregon State University studying veterinarian medicine. Recently, we also both serve together as board of directors for Lupus Hawaii, a non-profit organization established in 1974 for the purpose of offering assistance to Hawaii residents with lupus.

I believe Dr. Kwock has the requisite knowledge and experience, particularly in the area of health and medicine, to sufficiently perform the necessary duties as a member of the Board. As a colleague and friend, I always found her to be honest, fair, ethical and impartial in her decisions, and she always strived to educate and encourage others around her to do the same. Accordingly, I believe Dr. Kwock will be a great asset to the Board and the State of Hawaii.

I respectfully request your favorable consideration in the appointment of Dr. Kwock as a member of the Board.