



GOV. MSG. NO. 520

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

March 17, 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**:

Clarysse Kami Nunokawa

Term to Expire: 6/30/2012

Sincerely,

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

LINDA LINGLE

Presentation Before the Senate Committee on Health
April 2, 2008
Clarysse Kami Nunokawa
Board of Health

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

I am unable to personally attend the Senate on Health hearing and therefore thank you for the opportunity to present written background about myself for your consideration of my confirmation to the Board of Health.

I was born and raised on Hawai'i Island and as a child, lived in Hilo, Kona, Ka'u and Kohala. I lived on O'ahu for many years working in the health and human service field. Returning home to Hawai'i Island five years ago to manage the Hawai'i Island Meth Initiative and later the Youth Matters Initiative for the Hawai'i Community Foundation has provided me the opportunity to become reacquainted with my island home and understand its health and socio-economic concerns.

I believe that my experience as a social worker and public health educator combined with a deep knowledge of Hawai'i Island provides me with a unique prospective and enhances my contributions to the Board of Health.

I look forward to being of service to my State and the Board of Health. I am happy to respond to any questions you may have. Please feel free to call me at 808.345-7760. Thank you.



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LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR OF HAWAII



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In reply, please refer to:
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Committee on Health

GM 520 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
2 Clarysse K. Nunokawa to the Board of Health.

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None.

4 **Purpose and Justification:** Ms. Nunokawa is a Senior Program Officer with the Hawaii Community
5 Foundation for Hawaii County. She oversees the foundation's Hawaii county health and human service
6 projects and has participated in a wide range of community activities including the Hawaii Tobacco
7 Quitline, the Hawaii Uninsured Project, Hawaii Covering Kids, Hawaii Island Substance Abuse
8 Roundtable, and the Hawaii Island Meth Initiative.

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10 Her knowledge of the health problems of Hawaii Island will bring a perspective on rural health to the
11 Board. We appreciate her willingness to serve as a Board member.

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13 Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of nominee Clarysse K. Nunokawa to the State Board
14 of Health.

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The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair
Senate Committee on Health
Twenty-Fourth Legislature
State of Hawaii
State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Ige and Members of the Committee:

RE: Governor's Message 520- Gubernatorial Nominee Clarysse Kami Nunokawa for a term to expire on June 30, 2012

I am pleased to express my strong support for GM 520-Clarysee Kami Nunokawa for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Health. I have known Ms. Kami Nunokawa since 1980 as graduate students in the Master of Social Work program at the University of Hawaii (UH) at Manoa School of Social Work, and then as colleagues in the field of developmental disabilities.

Ms. Kami Nunokawa has varied health-related work experiences at UH Health Center, Easter Seals of Hawaii, State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD), State Health Planning and Development Agency and Hawaii Community Foundation that make her well qualified to be confirmed for the Board of Health. It is through her work at the DD Council as Program Specialist and Planner for about 10 years that I have witnessed her ability to work with a large group of people in a manner that is sensitive to cultural and ethnic diversity. During her tenure at the DD Council, she was a strong voice for individuals with DD and their families in the areas of education, family support, respite and self-determination.

She is highly respected in the health community and regarded with great integrity. Ms. Kami Nunokawa will be an asset to the Board of Health in supporting the Department of Health in its mission to protect and improve the health and environment for all people in Hawai'i.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony strongly supporting the nomination and confirmation of Clarysse Kami Nunokawa to the Board of Health.

Sincerely,


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March 31, 2008

The Honorable David Ige
Chair, Senate Health Committee
Hawaii State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hi 96813

Dear Senator Ige:

I am writing to respectfully recommend and strongly support the appointment of Clarysse Kami Nunokawa to the Board of Health. I have worked closely with Ms. Nunokawa in implementing multiple treatment and prevention programs for Hawaii Island children, families, and communities. I am impressed with her work ethic, her ability to work collaboratively with multiple constituencies on our Island, and her commitment to the health and well-being of Hawaii's families.

As Senior Program Officer at the Hawaii Community Foundation, Ms. Nunokawa has a very diverse and unique perspective of the health needs of our residents because of the broad range of projects she oversees; from tobacco prevention to methamphetamine treatment, from substance abuse prevention to law enforcement intervention.

Ms. Nunokawa is well aware of the issues and challenges Hawaii's people must address to achieve our goal of a healthy and safe Hawaii. She is a solutions-oriented problem solver and I believe that she will be a great asset to the Board of Health.

I respectfully urge you to approve her appointment to the Board of Health.

With Aloha,



William P. Kenoi

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March 7, 2008

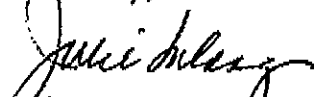
The Honorable David Ige
Chair, Senate Health Committee
Hawaii State Capitol
415 South Britannia Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Ige,

I am writing to support the appointment of Clarysse Kami Nunokawa to the Board of Health. I have known Ms. Nunokawa for the last eight years as a Senior Program Officer at the Hawaii Community Foundation and as an active member of our Big Island community. Ms. Nunokawa has been involved in several innovative new health related programs that been addressed a continuum of services for youth and adults on the island and statewide. She has a good perspective on the health needs that impacts all citizens and insights to a range of best practices for program delivery.

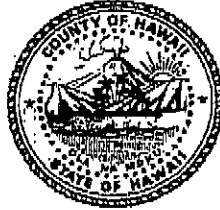
Ms. Nunokawa is an active, contributing member of our community who cares about tomorrow and the quality of live for all citizens. I believe she will be a great asset to the Board of Health. I urge you to approve her appointment to the Board of Health. I can be reach at 808-969-1601 if there are any other questions.

Sincerely,


Juliette M. Tulang

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March 22, 2008

The Honorable David Ige
Chair, Senate Health Committee
Hawaii State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Ige:

I am writing to support the appointment of Clarysse Kami Nunokawa to the Board of Health. As Senior Program Officer at the Hawaii Community Foundation, Ms. Nunokawa has a local and statewide perspective of the health needs of our citizens.

Ms. Nunokawa is an active, contributing member of our community and I believe she will be a great asset to the Board of Health. I urge you to approve her appointment to the Board of Health.

Sincerely,

Nancy T. Kelly
Business Manager