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TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 564.

WRITTEN ONLY

TO THE HONORABLE RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE
COMMITTEE:

My name is Ronald Boyer, Deputy Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony on Governor's Message No. 564, regarding the appointment of Donna Lee Ching, to the Board of Chiropractic Examiners ("Board"). The Department supports Ms. Ching's appointment and respectfully requests that the Committee recommend that the Senate advise and consent to her appointment to the Board.

I am familiar with Ms. Ching and her candidacy for appointment to the Board in that I have spoken with her about the Board and her interest in serving there. Based on my discussion with Ms. Ching, I believe that she possesses the background and

experience to contribute in a positive and constructive manner on matters that will come before the Board.

Ms. Ching has served as Director of Development for the Honolulu office of Leo A. Daly, the nation's seventh largest architecture, engineering, planning, and interior design firm. She has also served as Marketing Director for the City of New Haven, Connecticut. During her tenure there, she attracted the Volvo International Tennis Tournament to New Haven from Vermont.

Ms. Ching earned her undergraduate degree in political science from Williams College and her master's degree from the Yale University School of Management. While at Yale, she completed a yearlong management review of Head Start's federal operations, working under the guidance of program founder, Dr. Edward Zigler.

As with many who volunteer their time to serve on a board or commission of this type, Ms. Ching has been active in our community. She serves as a Director of the Honolulu Community Action Program, the Kapiolani Park Preservation Society, and the Friends of the Natatorium. Ms. Ching has also served as an elected member of the Manoa Neighborhood Board.

I am confident that if given the opportunity, Ms. Ching will prove to be an asset to the State through her service on the Board. I respectfully request that the Committee recommend that the Senate advise and consent to Ms. Ching's appointment.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on Ms. Ching's behalf.

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April 2, 2008

Senator Russell S. Kokubun
Hawaii State Capitol
Room 407
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Kokubun:

I am writing to offer my enthusiastic endorsement of Donna L. Ching's nomination to the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

I've known Donna professionally and personally for nearly 20 years. She is very committed to public service and the health and welfare of others. Her volunteer and professional experiences in a wide range of advocacy areas testify to this commitment. I believe her education, intellect and level-headed perspectives would be an asset to the State Board.

If you or the other members of the Commerce and Consumer Protection Committee have any questions about Donna's character or experience, I'd be happy to speak with you further.

Sincerely,



Christopher Benjamin



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Senator Russell Kokubun
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 407
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10 April 2008

Dear Senator Kokubun,

I'm writing in support of Donna L. Ching's nomination to serve on the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

As a family physician, and competitive age-group runner/triathlete, I recognize the importance of osteopathic, chiropractic, and other forms of complementary and alternative medicine (CAM). I also understand the importance of these boards and their role in ensuring excellence in all types of health care for Hawaii's people.

I have known Donna for more than 20 years, since we were undergraduates together at Williams College in the 1980s. Her sense of service to others coupled with her intellectual capacity to fairly and intelligently assess problems will, no doubt, be valuable to the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

Thank you for your favorable consideration of her candidacy.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "V. Ted Leon".

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April 9, 2008

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Dear Senator Kokubun,

I'm writing in support of Donna L. Ching's nomination to serve on the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

As a practicing Chiropractor in Hawaii for 20 years and a personal friend for over 15 years I feel her presence on the board would be a great asset to the board itself, the Chiropractic profession and most importantly the community.

Ms. Ching has a strong character with fine values, excellent judgment and a desire to serve the community as evidenced by her past and current efforts.

She is highly intelligent and her integrity is unquestioned so I can think of no better a person to serve on the Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

Thank you for considering her nomination for this position.

Sincerely,



Thomas Walton, DC