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Honorable Norman Sakamoto, Chairman
Members of the Senate Education Committee
Hawaii State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Sakamoto;

As the Coordinator of the High Core Program, formerly operating as the Storefront School, in Wahiawa, it is with the utmost respect and affection that I would like to strongly support Councilman Donovan Dela Cruz in his nomination to the Hawaii Commission on National and Community Service.

Our relationship with Councilman Dela Cruz began many years ago while he was a Leilehua High School student helper at the Storefront School. He was reliable, honest, trustworthy and dedicated to doing a good job. Though, he himself was an excellent student, his respect of, and relationships with our students, who fell short of their responsibilities at the regular campus, were always positive and supportive. Councilman Dela Cruz's relationship with the Storefront School has continued during his first and second runs at elected office to represent our City Council District. He has never let us down and has always been available to assist us in any way that he could. His dedication and commitment to the Storefront School has been instrumental in allowing us the opportunity to continue to provide educational and counseling services to those youngsters who are in most need in our catchment area.

Councilman Dela Cruz is energetic, sincere and honest. His background, experience and innate commitment to serve our citizens makes him a perfect potential member for the Hawaii Commission on National and Community Service.

Should you have any questions or need any additional information please do not hesitate to contact me at the above telephone number or address.

Sincerely;



Colette Miyamoto-Kajiwara
Coordinator