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HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE

March 28, 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 **Hawai'i Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances:**

Dallen K. Paleka

Term to Expire: 6/30/2012

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

Origina

Presentation before the Senate committee on Health (HTH) April 9, 2008 Dallen Paleka Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances

Chairman Ige, members of the committee, Thank you for this opportunity to present background about myself in your consideration of my confirmation.

I was born in Maui and raised in Oahu. I attended the Kamehameha Schools and graduated in 1979. I have been married since 1980 and have 3 sons ages 26, 23, and 21 years old. I worked in the construction industry until 1988 when I began my Corrections career at the Halawa Correctional Facility.

During my free time I have coached and been a referee for basketball, Served as an associate pastor at Hope Chapel Olomana, and volunteered for many community projects.

During my 20 years in Corrections I have experienced many facets of how Drug abuse permeates our society. From dealing with combating drugs entering Halawa, Inmates sharing how substance abuse affects them, dealing with inmates and employees experiencing substance abuse problems, and being part of the Mainland Prison Audit teams which I have done for the last 9 years.

I have worked with many different Substance abuse programs and counselors. I have a vision for the comprehensive plan that would be needed for Hawaii that includes the collection, analysis, and research evaluation of data and programs that provides information to all organization levels to ensure implementation, improvement or correction. While many issues will be related to this process, the need for administrative skills will also be required. I have experience in each of these areas.

I would be committed to serving Hawaii by being diligent, diplomatic, enthusiastic, and effective if nominated to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

Thank you for your consideration.

LINDA LINGLE GOVERNOR OF HAWAII



In reply, please refer to:

Senate Committee on Health

G.M. 587, Consideration and Confirmation of Dallen K. Paleka to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances

Testimony of Chiyome Leinaala Fukino, M.D. Director of Health April 9, 2008

- 1 Department's Position: The Department of Health strongly supports confirming the appointment of
- 2 Dallen K. Paleka to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances
- 3 (HACDACS), for a term to expire on June 30, 2012.
- 4 **Fiscal Implications:** Not applicable.
- 5 Purpose and Justification: HACDACS appointees represent a cross-section of the community,
- 6 including, but not limited to pharmacological, medical, community and business affairs, youth action,
- 7 educational, legal defense, enforcement and corrections segments of the community. Confirmation of
- 8 Dallen K. Paleka to HACDACS will provide representation of the corrections segment of the
- 9 community on the Commission.
- 10 Captain Dallen K. Paleka is Acting Chief of Security at the Department of Public Safety (PSD),
- Halawa Correctional Facility. His service with PSD, which commenced in September 1988, has
- included posts at the facility as a Sergeant, Watch Lieutenant, Watch Commander and Operations
- 13 Captain. He has undergone numerous hours of corrections related training which include: American
- 14 Correctional Association Congress of Correction (3.2 Continuing Education Units, August 3-7, 2002);
- 15 PSD New Supervisors' Management Course (72 hours, September 2000); Pressure Point Control Tactics

(PPCT) Management Systems Course for Defensive Tactics Instructors (40 hours, May 22 – 26, 2000); and Instructor Training for Institutional Crisis Intervention (350 hours, December 1999 to March 2000). Captain Paleka is a graduate of Kamehameha High School. Since August 2002, he has been a member of the American Correctional Association. He is also licensed to perform marriages in the state. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of this volunteer who will represent the corrections segment of the community. We respectfully request your expeditious and favorable consideration of his confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

TESTIMONY

TO:

The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair

Senate Committee on Health

FROM:

Jonah-Kuhio K. Ka'auwai

92-513 Awawa Place Kapolei, Hi 96707 (808) 620-5702

DATE:

Wednesday, April 9, 2007 @ 1:15 (Capitol Conference Room 016)

SUBJECT:

GM 587, Consideration and Confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee DALLEN K. PALEKA to the Hawai'i Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances, for a term to expire 6-30-2012

Makio KV_

Honorable Chair Ige, Vice-Chair Fukunaga and other distinguished committee members. My name is Jonah-Kuhio K. Ka'auwai and I am in strong support and encourage the confirmation of Adult Corrections Officer Captain Dallen K. Paleka to the Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

As the former Division Administrator of the Department of Public Safety's Correctional Industries Division, I worked with Captain Dallen K. Paleka at the Halawa Correctional Facility from December 1999 to October 2007. Through those years I grew very fond of Dallen because he carried himself with the highest integrity and values. As a Lieutenant and Captain, Dallen was well respected by his subordinates, facility staff and inmates. He always made time to listen to those around him and was focused on always doing what was right. As a visionary and change agent, I always found Dallen looking at the positive side of issues and at all times seeking solutions.

It is my personal opinion that Dallen is one of the best and the brightest in the Department of Public Safety. As a 20-plus year veteran of the Department, he has incredible working knowledge of the issues that inundate the corrections system. With his heart of righteousness and especially hope, he will bring great wisdom to the Hawai'i to the Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

Thank you for allowing me to submit this testimony.

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MICAHA. KĀNE CHAIRMAN HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION

KAULANA H. PARK

ROBERT J. HALL EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

P.O. BOX 1879 HONOLULU, HAWAI'I 96805

April 7, 2008

Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances (HACDACS)

Subject:

Appointment of Dallen Keliikai Paleka to HACDACS Board

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a letter of support for the appointment for Dallen "Kelii" Paleka to the HACDACS Board.

I have known Kelii personally for over twenty-five years. He is outspoken and well respected by his peers and colleagues at his current position at the Department of Public Safety. Additionally, he brings a positive energy and the discipline to stay committed to the overall mission.

Kelii has always been a team player who understands his role and knows the importance of focusing to pursue team goals. Whether it is leading a group or carrying out a specific task, he is quick to action while maintaining the balance of patience. He is a servant at his church, Hope Chapel Olomana, and partners with his wife Lori to serve the community on a volunteer basis possessing a true servant's heart. Finally, he is eager to learn and explore better ways in getting things done.

Should he be fortunate to serve on the HACDACS Board, Kelii will make a valuable contribution to the State of Hawaii immediately as he has already shown at his current workplace and in the Windward community.

I recommend Mr. Paleka to be appointed to the HACDACS Board.

Aloha and mahalo,

Kaulana Park

Deputy Director

Department of Hawaiian Homelands



FRANCIS X. SEQUEIRA ACTING WARDEN

> ERIC G. TANAKA DEPUTY WARDEN

STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY HALAWA CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

99-902 Moanalua Road Aiea, Hawaii 96701

No.	

April 7, 2008

To whom it may concern:

Re: Mr. Dallen K. Paleka

I have personally known Mr. Dallen K. Paleka for over 20 years and have worked with him in a professional capacity for over 15 years. He has proven to be forthright, professional, and a dedicated Corrections Officer.

I have been his supervisor while Mr. Paleka has been the Acting Chief of Security at Halawa Correctional Facility for the last year and I have been impressed with his demeanor with staff, his dedication to perfection, his security insight, and his ability to deal with adversity.

He has a great sense of humor and continually shows his compassion towards all individuals be it incarcerated individuals or staff.

I strongly recommend Mr. Paleka for a position on the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substance. I can assure you that he will truly prove to be an asset.

If further query is needed, feel free to contact me at (808) 484-7205.

Sincerely,

Francis X. Sequeira

Ā/Warden

Dear Sir or Madam:

I have known Dallen Kelii Paleka since approximately 1990, initially on a professional basis. Since that time, our working relationship has morphed and evolved to include social parameters.

He has demonstrated a demeanor that is sympathetic and caring, yet logical and common sensical. This intellectual individual is dedicated to family and church values as well as the basic notion of treating everyone the way that he would like to be treated.

A champion for the underprivileged and less fortunate, Kelii is a team player that is filled with goals and ideas. He will work tirelessly to insure a compromise, end or solution is reached.

It is without hesitation that I recommend Dallen for this most prestigious position on the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substance (HACDACS).

Should you have any further questions, please contact me at 372-9509.

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Sincerely.

Eric Tanaka



STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

919 Ala Moana Boulevard, 4th Floor Honolulu, Hawaii 96814 CLAYTON A. FRANK DIRECTOR

DAVID F. FESTERLING

Deputy Director Administration

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Deputy Director Corrections

JAMES L. PROPOTNICK

Deputy Director Law Enforcement

No. _____

April 7, 2008

Mary Tumminello, RN Clinical Section Administrator Halawa Correctional Facility 99-902 Moanalua Rd. Aiea, HI 96701

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a letter of recommendation to appoint Dallen Keliikai Paleka to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

I have known Captain Paleka for many years while working at Halawa as a staff nurse and now as the nurse administrator. Together, we regularly have to collaborate efforts between security and nursing to deliver good health care to the inmates and to assure their right to access to care. Captain Paleka has a genuine concern for the well-being of the inmates as part of his character. He is a man of his word, fair, kind, approachable, has a good sense of humor, and is a good listener. These qualities extend beyond the prison walls as he does a lot of volunteer work in his church and in the community as well.

I have a lot of respect for Dallen Keliikai Paleka. I believe he would be a wise choice for this position.

Sincerely,

Mary P. Tumminello, CSA, RN

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To whom it may concern:

I have known and worked with Mr. Dallen Keliikai Paleka for over 7 years. He is a pleasure to work with and is well respected in our office as well as outside of the office. He has demonstrated a sympathetic and caring demeanor throughout the work place. He is an intellectual individual and is dedicated to his family and his church.

I highly recommend Mr. Dallen Keliikai Paleka for this most prestigious position on the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substance (HACDACS).

Should you have any further questions, please contact me at (808) 485-5228.

Sincerely,

Rosemarie Connaily

Wanda Craig 425 Kalama Street Kailua, Hawaii, 96734

April 5, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter of reference at the request of Dallen Keliikai Paleka who is seeking appointment to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances (HACDACS). Dallen is not only a family friend of mine but also a coworker. I have known him for over 15 years of which I have worked directly with him for the last 8 years.

During the time that I have known him, I have found Dallen to have many positive traits. First of all, Dallen is a peace-loving citizen. He is against violence, cruelty and drugs. His peace-loving nature along with his devotion to his church and his job will make him a great candidate for this commission.

Second, Dallen is a very courteous person. He honors and respects authority as well as extends the same courtesy to his staff at Halawa Correctional Facility. Dallen currently holds the position of Major (Chief of Security). With this title also comes a lot of responsibility and as I had him previously as my Lieutenant, Captain and now Chief of Security, I have found him to be a no-nonsense type of individual. He looks optimistically at things and is fair and consistent in his daily duties.

As a final point, Dallen has managed to achieve quite a lot of respect and admiration from his colleagues and has proven to be a leader in his field.

In conclusion, I can recommend Dallen to you without reservation. You will find my trust in him to be well placed.

Feel free to contact me using the information provided above.

Sincerely,

Wanda M. Crai

April 7, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

I have worked with Mr. Dallen Keliikai Paleka for 8 years. I work in close capacity with him for approx. 5 years till present. He is the Acting Chief of Security at the Halawa Correctional Facility.

Dallen is organized, efficient, extremely competent, and has an excellent rapport with the facilities staff. His communication skills, both written and verbal, are excellent.

In summary, I highly recommend Dallen to be appointed to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances. He will be a valuable asset for the organization.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 485-5229.

Sincerely,

Kendra L. Lee

Lyle K, Antonio 91-1074 WeloWelo St Kapolei Hi 96707

To Whom It May Concern:

I am providing this letter for Major Dallen Keliikai Paleka. I have worked with and been supervised by Mr. Dallen KeliiKai Paleka At Halawa Correctional Facility since May 1997. Mr. Paleka is an excellent organizer, planner, leader and a spiritual and morale motivator to all his peers, subordinates and friends. I have learned and worked with Mr. Paleka on many tasks, however I think I have learned a lot of Administrative and Correctional issues that I have created a portfolio to utilize as a guide in the correct direction to excel in a Correctional Administrative position.

I strongly believe that Mr. Dallen Keliikai Paleka would become a good appointee to your team and or organization (Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substance).

Sincerely

Lyle K, Antonio

HAWAII ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DRUG ABUSE AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (HACDACS)

To whom it may concern:

My name is Lyle Kanoa. I am in my 31st year of public service, 21 of which have been with Halawa Correctional Facility. I am currently an investigator assigned to the Gang Intelligence Unit.

I have known Mr. Dallen Paleka for more than 30 years. During this time he has displayed the knowledge and dedication that has earned him promotions from the ranks, as a line officer to his current position of acting Chief of Security at Halawa Correctional Facility. His measures in planning, structuring and implementing strategies are evidence of his leadership capabilities. I am sure that he would be an asset to this committee.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to submit my written testimony in support of Mr. Dallen Paleka for membership on the Hawaii Advisory Committee on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

Sincerely,

Lyle Kanoa Investigator April 7, 2008

Hawaii Advisory Commission
On Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Dallen Keliikai Paleka

This letter of recommendation is being submitted on behalf of Mr. Dallen Keliikai Paleka, a candidate for appointment to the Hawaii Advisory Commission On Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances (HACDACS).

It is truly an honor to have worked with Mr. Paleka at Halawa Correctional Facility since March 1989. I have personally witnessed Mr. Paleka advance upward from ACO III to Chief of Security. He has earned his current position due to his professionalism, honesty, and pro-active attitude in facility related issues. As a unit manager, one of my priorities is keeping my unit safe, sanitary, and secure from all unauthorized elements, especially drugs. Each time the need for shakedowns due to probable cause/evidence of drug abuse became eminent, Mr. Paleka was always there to support my efforts. He is very quick in making decisions to conduct urinalysis and assemble teams of investigators to professionally address the matter at hand. Mr. Paleka is very knowledgeable on the present types of controlled substances. He ensures that his staff receives update training on various drugs/activity and works diligently on prevention of entry into our facility. As far as the enforcement of rules regarding drug abuse and controlled substances, Mr. Paleka will not hesitate to take legal action against those responsible for illegal drug trafficking.

In closing, Mr. Paleka has proven to be an asset to the Department of Public Safety. I truly feel that an appointment to the HACDACS will be in our State's best interest. Should any inquiries arise pertaining to my recommendation, please feel free to contact my office at (808) 485-5276.

Thank you,

Bert M. Santiago,

Corrections Supervisor I

But M. Santiago

April 7, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to recommend the appointment of Dallen Keliikai Paleka to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

I have known Dallen for approximately 20 years. We both work at Halawa Correctional Facility. He is the Acting Chief of Security and I am the Residency Section Supervisor. The majority of the inmates at Halawa Correctional Facility have a substance abuse problem with illegal drugs and/or alcohol. We see daily the effects of their substance abuse on their families, their physical and mental health, their employment and society. Substance abuse is a huge problem in Hawaii. Dallen encourages the inmates to participate in available programming to assist the inmates in turning their lives in a more positive direction. Dallen works very hard to keep our prison focused on the goal of maintaining a safe and secure environment that promotes programming.

Dallen continues his efforts in his free time as an associate pastor for Hope Chapel. This church has worked hard to assist families in the community who are coping with the devastation of drug abuse. This church offers an alternative lifestyle to support change.

Dallen has also attended college for six years and taken numerous courses pertaining to social work and substance abuse. He has a broad range of experience to bring to the HACDACS.

His strong desire to make a difference in this problem would be an asset to this commission.

Sincerely,

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To Whom It May Concern:

I, Carmelo Santiago-Lopez, Food Service Manager IV at the Halawa Correctional Facility/Food Service Unit, have been working with Mr. Dallen Keliikai Paleka since 1988.

From January 1995 through 1998, Mr. Paleka was assigned as the Kitchen Sergeant in the Food Service Unit. During his tenure as a Sergeant, he was on top of the rest that worked with me. He performs his duties with complete dedication and ability. He is truly an exceptional leader. Conduct, bearing and appearance are a good example for others to emulate as a corrections officer. At present, Mr. Paleka is the Acting Chief of Security.

Mr. Paleka is a very good personal friend of mine. We often attend family gatherings and church activities together. He is a respectable person with good moral character.

I strongly and highly recommend him for the job he is applying for.

Sincerely,

Carmelo Santiago-Lopez
Food Service Manager IV

Halawa Correctional Facility

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Monica Chun, I currently work at the Halawa Correctional Facility as a Human Services Professional. I worked as a Substance Abuse Counselor from 1991 until 2005.

I am writing to you regarding my recommendation of Mr. Dallen Keliikai Paleka to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

Dallen and I have worked together since 2000 and have become friends as well as co-workers. He is easy to talk with and is always willing to help his co-workers. He is as caring and understanding when he goes out of his way to speak to inmates that are struggling with issues.

The Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances (HACDACS) would benefit from having someone with Dallen's intelligence and concern. He truly cares for people and is interested in their well-being and future.

If you have any questions please call me at 485-5272.

Sincerely,

Monica Chun

Lt.-Harry Su'apaia Halawa Correctional Facility 99-902 Moanalua Hwy-96701

To: Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances. (HAC-DACS)

I have known Dallen Keliikai Paleka for the past twenty-one years on a personal and business relationship. I have been fortunate to observe his growth and maturity. He is genuinely honest and is able to commit the energy and his knowledge to all tasks assigned. He is an old soul who connects on all levels of society by simple fellowship and understanding. He brings experience, youth and insight beyond his years. He would be a great addition to your team and would champion all that the Commission advocates. Check him out.

Thank-you

4-7-08



FRANCIS X. SEQUEIRA ACTING WARDEN

ERIC G. TANAKA Deputy Warden

No

STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY HALAWA CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

99-902 Moanalua Road Aiea, Hawaii 96701

April 8, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of Dallen Keliikai Paleka, who has expressed his sincere interest in serving as a member of the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substance (HACDACS).

I have known Dallen since 1988, when he began serving as an Adult Corrections Officer at Halawa Correctional Facility. Over the years, he has risen through the ranks of the ACO series and has attained the rank of Captain. Presently, he is serving as our Acting Chief of Security and has done so for over a year.

Dallen has always demonstrated to me that he is a caring individual with high moral standards. It is well documented that over 75% of inmates incarcerated have some involvement with alcohol or substance abuse. Dallen, through his many years of experience, has seen the devastating results that this involvement has had on the inmates, their families, and the community and wants to play a more active role in stemming the plague that pervades our society.

I feel that Dallen is up to the challenge of serving on HACDACS and whole-heartedly endorse him.

If you have anyquestions, please feel free to contact me at 485-1871.

Sincerely.

Gary B. Kaplan

Program Control Administrator

Noted and Forwarded:

Francis X. Sequeira
Acting Warden

Emily T. Weaver 549 Auwina Street Kailua. Hawaii 96734

Phone: 772-7846

April 8, 2008

RE: APPOINTMENT OF DALLEN KELIIKAI PALEKA TO THE HAWAII ADVISORY COMMISSION ON DRUG ABUSE AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (HACDACS)

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a close family friend of Dallen Keliikai Paleka and have known him for approximately 25 years. Over these years I have seen his character grow and mature. He and I are members of Hope Chapel Olomana, where he was the former pastor of the men's ministry and continues to actively serve in leadership roles within our church. As the men's pastor he was a role model and greatly influenced the lives of other men. He is a man of integrity, compassion, and a loving husband and father.

His distinguished career in corrections brings a wealth of experience, making him a valuable asset to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances. His participation can positively impact our community through the Commission's efforts to reduce the drug abuse and controlled substance problem throughout the State of Hawaii.

Sincerely,

Emily T. Weaver, MBA

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Kenneth Sitch and I am privileged to write a personal recommendation for Dallen Keliikai Paleka. I have known "Kelli" for over 5 years as a neighbor and as a member of our church Hope Chapel Olomana. He is a respected member of the church and has served as our Men's Ministry leader and currently is a member of our worship team. Kelli has always demonstrated a passionate, enthusiastic, cheerful demeanor and his creative energies allow him to accomplish what needs to be done. He interacts well with people and has proven to be a caring, loving husband and father.

His ability and dedication as a supervisor in the Hawaii Correctional Facility can only add to his communal leadership in the future. I believe he will be an asset to the Advisory Commission and will not disappoint but will exceed your expectations.

Thank you for the opportunity to make this recommendation on his behalf.

Yours truly,

Kenneth Sitch

1324 Aloha Oe Drive

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Kailua, HI 96734



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Dear Commission,

My name is Pastor Guy Kapeliela of Hope Chapel Olomana. An affiliation of the International Church of the Foursquare Gospel.

I am writing you on behalf of Mr. Dallen Keliikai Paleka. Mr. Paleka is seeking appointment to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Abuse and Controlled Substances. He is a person of great character, wisdom and integrity. After working with Mr. Paleka in the ministry for the past 9 years, I see him as a great asset to our ministry. He has help numerous people in our congregation through difficult times in their lives. He has always gone above and beyond what is expected of him. I highly recommend him for your commission.

If you have any questions regarding Mr. Paleka, please feel free to contact me at our church office at 262-8021. Thank you for your time.

Blessings,

Guy Kapeliela

Senior Pastor

Hope Chapel Olomana

IKAIKA, INC.

April 7, 2008

HACDACS

RE: Dallen Keliikai Paleka

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Dallen Keliikai Paleka. I have known the Paleka family for 15 years. I would like to recommend Dallen to be appointed: Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances (HACDACS). He has been a great leader in our church (Hope Olomana), our community and with my family. I can say that he would show the same leadership in this position to help our state and community with a solid system in helping the fight against drug abuse.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 479-6655.

Sincerely,

Anthony H. Gregory, Jr.

President-Owner





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April 7, 2008

HAWAII ADVISORY COMMISSION ON DRUG ABUSE AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (HACDACS)

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of Dallen Keliikai Paleka in consideration for an appointment to the HADACS commission. I have known and worked with Dallen for the past nine years here at Hope Chapel Olomana. He is currently a leader in our worship band, has overseen men's ministry and is a point person with our prison outreach ministry.

Dallen has shown commitment and passion for the hurting and those who have not made the best choices in life. His high energy and motivation is orientated toward having men be the best they can be. He serves as an inspiration to us all.

Having overcome substance use in his youth, I believe Dallen has the awareness and understanding of those still stuck in that culture. Dallen would be an asset to any organization who has him on the team.

His punctuality, consistency, and excellence together with enthusiasm will make Dallen an integral part of change for the drug challenges Hawaii faces today and into the future.

Should have any questions please call me at 808-262-8021.

Sincerely,

Ted I. Nakagawa Executive Pastor

Hope Chapel Olomana

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Russell A. Awana

150 Akiohala Place Kailua, Hawaii 96734 808-382-4075

Dear Sir or Madame.

I have known Dallen Keliikai Paleka in a variety of capacities for about 9 years. He has been a family friend, a fellow member of our church at Hope Chapel Olomana, our Worship Leader, Men's Pastor, and all around good guy. I often refer to him as "coach" because he has the power to mentor and motivate not only young people but us old guys as well

Kelii is organized, efficient, extremely competent, well liked, and has an excellent rapport with people of all ages. His communication skills, both written and verbal, are excellent.

In summary, I believe Dallen Keliikai Paleka has the necessary character, leadership qualities, proven experience, and qualifications to serve on the Hawai'i Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

He will be a valuable asset to this commission.

I respectfully submit this to you and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Russell A. Awana



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April 7, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

I have known Dallen Keliikai Paleka since 1999 when Hope Chapel Olomana first began. I have had the privilege of serving with him in the Worship Ministry for the past couple of years in a leadership capacity. He is an incredible leader with the amazing gift of inspiring people to be positive and to be all that they can be. He is the kind of person that people are drawn to and just want to be around. He always has a positive outlook on any situation I have seen him in and has this incredible faith and passion to believe in people and to believe there is hope for change.

I was excited to learn that Dallen is interested in being appointed to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances (HACDACS). He would be a great asset to the commission and to the people who benefit from the work they do. The drug epidemic in Hawaii is in dire need of help.

I fully support appointing Dallen to the Advisory Commission and hope you will accept his application. If you have any questions regarding this recommendation please call me at 262-8021.

Sincerely,

Debi Fairbairn

Worship & Administrative Pastor



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April 7, 2008

To whom it may concern:

It is my great pleasure to recommend Dallen Keliikai Paleka for the appointed position on the "Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances" (HACDACS).

Dallen has been a member of Hope Chapel Olomana from the beginning which was started in 1999. While being a member of Hope Chapel Olomana, Dallen served as the men's pastor for a number of years. He also served as a member of our Worship Team. He is currently leading one of our worship teams.

In these past years knowing Dallen, he has shown me that he is a very organized man and great leader of men. He is a leader of leaders.

In my opinion Dallen Keliikai Paleka is a great candidate for the appointed position on the "Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances" (HACDACS).

Sincerely

Albert Paglinawan

Youth Pastor of Hope Chapel Olomana

April 7, 2008

To whom it may concern.

My name is Gordon Joseph Mattos and I'm writing to ask for your support in appointing Dallen Keliikai Paleka to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances (HACDACS) Board.

I first met Dallen and his wife (Lori) approximately 11 years ago as Sunday school teachers at the same church where our families fellowshipped. Through these years Dallen has been a blessing in my life. Especially during those time when both of our sons where serving in Afghanistan. My son would call home and share with me that Dallen's son (Shane) is such a neat and caring individual. This statement from my son only confirms the great job Dallen has done in raising his family. He is an excellent role model for the men in our church regarding leadership in the family, church, job and community. I'm always touched by Dallen's passion to establish positive relationship with people regardless if it is in a church setting, sports event, party or just fellowshipping one with another. He is very motivating and funny at times and is much focused when there is a need to get down to business. Dallen has served as our Men's Pastor and is currently part of the worship team at Hope Chapel Olomana.

I'm a retired supervisor of Hawaiian Electric Company and one of my responsibilities was to evaluate our workers. I've learned (via the acumen T R A I T) that these core values trust, respect, appreciation, integrity and teamwork must be rooted into the group for the job to be completed successfully. I see these core values in Dallen, which is a huge asset for any group that he is associated with.

Again, I ask for your vote in appointing Dallen Keliikai Paleka to HACDACS Board. If you have any questions or concerns regarding my letter of support, please fill free to call me at 630-0488.

Mahalo⁄Nyi Loa

Gordon J. Maktos

April 7, 2008

To Whom It May Concern,

Mr. Dallen Keliikai has asked for a letter of reference in order to be appointed to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances (HACDACS). It is with great pleasure that I nominate Mr. Paleka for this Commission.

I have known Mr. Paleka and his wife since the end of 2005. Mr. Paleka has always impressed me as someone who is truly dedicated to his job, his co-workers and the public he serves. He is very conscientious and professional. He is a person I believe one can trust to do the right thing in all situations. He is very involved in his church and enjoys helping others.

I believe Mr. Paleka would be an asset to any commission and I most enthusiastically nominate him for HACDACS.

Sincerely,

John G. McDermott, LSW, ACSW, M.Div. Hawaii State Long Term Care Ombudsman

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