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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

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Friday, March 6, 2009 8:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 256.

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department") thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 256, regarding the **reappointment** of Judith A. Jordan to the Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Ms. Jordan's reappointment to the Board.

Ms. Jordan is being reappointed to the Board as a public member. She has served on the Board since July 1, 2006, and has attended almost every meeting since her appointment. Ms. Jordan has also shown the ability to evaluate the issues facing the Board objectively, balancing the interests of consumers and licensees. Her reappointment will ensure continuity of the Board's efforts to effectively oversee the

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practice of elevator mechanics in Hawaii. She represents the public sector well and her desire to continue to serve as a public member is an asset to the Board.

The Department supports the confirmation of Ms. Jordan to the Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

<u>Presentation Before the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection</u> March_6, 2009

Judith A. Jordan

Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board

<u>Chair</u> Baker, members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, thank you for this opportunity to present background about myself in your consideration of my confirmation to the Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board.

I was born and raised in Westfield, New Jersey. I grew up in Westfield and subsequently graduated from Westfield High School. I completed a two year training program at Lyon's Institute of Medical Technology in Newark, New Jersey. Subsequent to State certification as a Medical Technologist, I served two separate physicians offices over a twelve year period. Duties included a variety of tasks in addition to lab work.

In 1974, I married a Naval Officer and arrived in Hawaii in 1976, became a homeowner and settled in Kaneohe. Blessed with three children, our son was born at Kapiolani Hospital. All three of our grown children received their education in Hawaii schools and subsequently graduated from Mainland Universities. Our oldest daughter teaches at Kahuku High School and is a mother of a three-year old daughter. Our son-in-law practices Family Medicine in Kailua. Our youngest daughter is a Marine Officer stationed at Kaneohe but currently deployed to Afghanistan, as is her husband. Our son completed volunteer service with the Peace Corps in Africa and City Year in Boston and Washington, DC. He is currently preparing to teach elementary school in Boston.

Over the years, I have been an active volunteer in my Church, the schools, youth athletics and the community while raising my family.

I am completing a three year appointment as a Public Member of the Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board and have submitted application for re-appointment to the Board.

References:

Mr. Michael Goodish, VP (Networking/Technical Quality) Oceanic Time Warner Cable, 625-8355

Ms. Helen Carey, Neighbor and Friend, 235-4070

Dr. Stephen Shoultz, DDS, Family Dentist and Friend, 235-0018

Mrs. Mary Ellen Nordyke-Grace, Family Friend and HECO Engineer/Lawyer, 543-4885 or 721-7086

Written Statement to

<u>Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection</u> March 6, 2009

Judith A. Jordan

Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board

Re-nominated as a Public Member on the Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board, I bring no industry experience to the Board; however, I do bring a sincere concern and interest in Public Safety. I have a burning interest in ensuring that the State's many public and private elevators are reliably maintained by fully trained and qualified mechanics who in turn provide for the safety of the public as we all live and work in the Community. I view Consumer Protection as my primary objective.