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**TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 262.**

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. 262, regarding the **reappointment** of Shelli A. McCelvey to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Ms. McCelvey's reappointment to the Board.

Ms. McCelvey is being reappointed to the Board as a landscape architect member. She has been licensed since March 7, 1991, and her license is current, active, and in good standing.

Ms. McCelvey, as a member of the Board's Rules Committee, has been called upon to assess, research, and make recommendations on complicated issues. Also,

Ms. McCelvey has represented the Board at meetings of the national regulatory organization and has brought back valuable information and apprised the Board thoroughly so that the Board is aware of national issues and then can determine their impact on Hawaii licensure issues.

Ms. McCelvey also actively participates during meeting discussions, demonstrates that she is always prepared for matters that are on the Board's agendas, and readily shares valuable insights that she has gained over her many years of experience as a licensed landscape architect in active practice. We believe that Ms. McCelvey's experience in the profession and desire to contribute to the community will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the Board.

The Department supports the confirmation of Shelli A. McCelvey to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



**Presentation Before the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection**

**February 25, 2009**

**Shellf A. McCelvey, ASLA**

**Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects**

Chair Baker, members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, thank you for this opportunity to present background on myself in your consideration of my **reappointment** to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects.

I have lived in Hawaii for the past twenty four years. I was born and raised in California. I graduated from California Polytechnic University at San Luis Obispo, receiving a Bachelors of Science degree in Landscape Architecture in 1984.

Upon graduation from college, I relocated to Hawaii to pursue my career. I have been practicing Landscape Architecture in the private sector for the past twenty four years, first as an employee of the firm Tongg, Clarke and Mechler, which later transitioned to Tongg, Clarke and McCelvey. In 2001 I formed my own firm, McCelvey Associates, Inc.

I have been tremendously blessed in my career with the opportunities I have been afforded as a result of working in the State of Hawaii. It is my hope that my reappointment to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects will allow me to continue to "give back" to the place which has given so much to me. I am dedicated to the practice of Landscape Architecture and as a member of this board I will be committed to continuing to serve to ensure a safe and beneficial environment for those who use it.

I welcome this challenge and believe that my experience and background will enable me to continue to make a valuable contribution in this regard. I ask you to support my nomination to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects. Thank you.



**Shelli A. McCelvey, ASLA**  
President

Shelli McCelvey has been a practicing landscape architect for over twenty four years. Her experience includes a diverse range of project types including hotels and resorts; custom homes; recreational facilities and parks; commercial and retail developments; condominiums and residential communities; and landscape master plans. Shelli has worked on projects throughout various parts of the world with an emphasis given to sensitive design solutions, which are financially responsible and endure technically and aesthetically through time. Several of the projects she has participated in have won local and national design awards.

As President of McCelvey Associates, Shelli directly oversees the landscape architectural design from conceptual design through project completion.

**Education**

California State Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo  
BS, Environmental Design (Landscape Architecture) 1984

**Professional Registration**

Registered Landscape Architect in Hawaii - No. 7119

**Professional Experience**

2001 - Present, President, McCelvey Associates, Inc.

1993 - 2001, Principal Landscape Architect, Tongg, Clarke and McCelvey, Inc.  
Project experience involved a full spectrum of professional services from landscape master plans through construction management.

1985 - 1993, Project Manager, Associate, Tongg, Clarke and Mechler, Inc.  
Responsibilities included landscape architectural design, construction documentation, construction administration, client relations, and project management.

**Professional Affiliations**

Member of American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), National and Hawaii Chapters  
Member of Landscape Industry Council - Hawaii  
Board Member of Kailua Urban Design Task Force  
Member of Hawaii State Board of Architects, Engineers, Landscape Architects and Surveyors



**Shelli A. McCelvey, ASLA  
References**

**Lester Inouye, FASLA  
President, Lester H. Inouye & Associates**

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**Russell Chung, FASLA  
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Current President American Society of Landscape Architects, Hawaii Chapter**

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Current President Hawaii Landscape Industry Council**

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