

GM 330

Lucy Miller PHD

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Disability and Communication Access Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, LUCY MILLER PHD, for a term to expire 6-30-2010.

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Senator David Y. Ige
State Capitol, Room 215
Honolulu, HI 96813

February 23, 2009

Dear Senator Ige,

I have been nominated to serve again on the Disability and Communication Access Board (DCAB) under the Department of Health.

I fit several categories as required in their bylaws: that of a consumer with a disability as well as a professional in the field of deafness, in addition to representing the neighbor island of Kauai.

If my appointment is confirmed to serve on DCAB, I will work diligently with the staff and the other board and committee members in ensuring the quality and availability of communication access services in the state of Hawaii in compliance with federal guidelines.

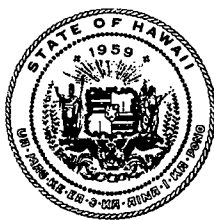
Such services, due to the changing needs of the population and the rapidly changing technology options, require ongoing monitoring and updating. The neighbor islands, in particular, have the greatest potential to benefit from remote captioning and interpreting services that are only now becoming available.

I have previously served on this board both as a member and its chair, and have been asked to return because my communication skills have been recognized, as well as having demonstrated both long-term visions as well as practical immediate goals. During my tenure service dogs were exempted from quarantine laws, real time captioning services were added to improve communication access, and considerable progress has been made to improve the quality and availability of sign language interpreters.

I am semi-retired and do not foresee any conflicts of interests stemming from my service. Thank you for this opportunity to serve again.

Sincerely,

Lucy Miller
Enclosures: Resume, references



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TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Governor's Message 330 – Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the Disability and Communication Access Board; Gubernatorial Nominee Lucy Miller, Ph.D.

The Disability and Communication Access Board supports the appointment of Dr. Lucy Miller to the Board. Dr. Miller is a returning member after an absence from the Board.

Dr. Miller represents the County of Kauai, and also is a consumer representing the deaf and hard of hearing community. She is a licensed practicing family psychotherapist and educator on Kauai and brings a professional perspective to her consumer role as well.

Dr. Miller was formerly a member and the Chairperson of the Hawaii State Coordinating Council on Deafness prior to its dissolution and incorporation into the Disability and Communication Access Board. As a member of the Board, she was the Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Communication Access. Dr. Miller also served as Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Board. Dr. Miller was instrumental in guiding the Board through the process of establishing the Hawaii Quality Assurance System, where American Sign Language interpreters are tested and credentialed. She was a leader in developing the State's administrative rules concerning the utilization of American Sign Language/English interpreters.

We recommend your confirmation of her nomination.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. FLEMING
Chairperson

FRANCINE WAI
Executive Director

**TESTIMONY OF THE
COUNTY OF KAUAI
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

**TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE
ON HEALTH**

**TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2009**

March 4, 2009
2:45 p.m.

**TESTIMONY ON GM 330, RELATING TO GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE LUCY MILLER
PH.D.**

TO THE HONORABLE DAVID Y. IGE, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr., Mayor, providing testimony in support of Gubernatorial Nominee Dr. Lucy Miller to the Disability and Communication Access Board (Board).

Dr. Miller is being nominated to serve on the Board for an additional term expiring on June 30, 2010. She is known in the Kaua'i community for her advocacy for programs for persons with disabilities, and her reappointment will allow the Board to benefit from her expertise and prior knowledge.

We ask you to confirm her nomination, and thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on this matter.