

February 23, 2009

The Honorable J. Kalani English  
State Senator, 6<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District  
Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation,  
International and Intergovernmental Affairs  
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 205  
415 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, HI 96813

**Mar Labrador**  
Vice President & General Manager  
Hawaii, Guam & Micronesia

Dear Senator English:

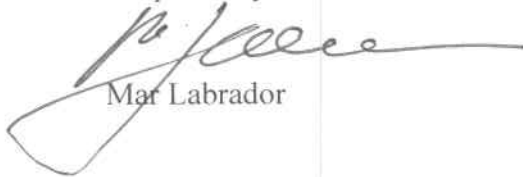
I am writing you to express my **support of Mr. Gary North in relation to GM371**, to serve as a member of the Harbors Modernization Group.

As Senior Vice President of Horizon Lines, I have worked with Mr. North in the maritime industry over the last nine years. During this time, Mr. North has always been a steadfast proponent of Hawaii's maritime industry as he fully understands the critical role the industry plays towards the stability of the State. Mr. North has chaired the Hawaii Harbor's User Group (HHUG) which is an industry group of harbor users. In this capacity, Mr. North has been very effective at building consensus amongst the stakeholders and addressing them with the State.

Gary's tenured professional experience in the maritime industry will lend a seasoned voice to a group charged with the task of implementing the most ambitious harbor plan our state has ever seen. He understands harbor users' concerns, and has the ability to work positively to find consensus on difficult issues.

Horizon Lines recommends Mr. North be given high consideration for appointment to the Board.

Respectfully,



Mar Labrador

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RE: Letter of Recommendation to confirm Gary J. North for Board Membership,  
ATDC and HMG

Dear Senator English:

I am writing this letter of recommendation on behalf of Gary J. North to the position of Board Member of the Aloha Tower Development Corporation and, specifically, the Harbors Modernization Group.

I have worked with Mr. North in the maritime industry over the last nine years. During this time, Mr. North has always been a steadfast proponent of Hawaii's maritime industry as he fully understands the critical role the industry plays to the stability of the State. Mr. North has chaired the Hawaii Harbor's User Group which is an industry group of harbor users. In this capacity Mr. North has been very effective at building consensus amongst the stakeholders.

I believe Mr. North would be an important contributor to the committee as he is well versed in the industry, understands harbor user's concerns, and has the ability to work positively to find consensus on difficult issues. Hawaii Stevedores, Inc. recommends Mr. North be given high consideration for the appointment to the board.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Brennan".

Jeff Brennan  
General Manager  
Hawaii Stevedores, Inc.