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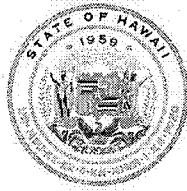
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Gubernatorial Nominee Barbara A. Ioli

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The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair
Senate Committee on Health
Twenty-Fifth Legislature
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Ige and Members of the Committee:

**SUBJECT: GM 349- State Council on Developmental Disabilities
Gubernatorial Nominee Barbara A. Ioli**

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD) **STRONGLY SUPPORTS GM 349** to confirm the nomination of Barbara A. Ioli for a term to expire June 30, 2014.

The Council's Federal mandate (P.L.106-402) is clear in determining the composition of this body to ensure that all the players involved in the development, implementation, and use of DD supports are represented. The law specifically requires that 60 percent of the membership of the Council be comprised of individuals with DD, their parents, or family members. Additionally, the following agencies are required to be on the Council: Department of Health; the agencies that administer funds provided under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; the Older Americans Act of 1965; Titles V and XIX of the Social Security Act; the Protection and Advocacy Agency; the Centers for Excellence in DD Education, Research, and Service; agencies and private non-profit organizations concerned with services to individuals with DD. The Governor's nominee meets all the Federal requirements for Council membership.

Ms. Ioli's appointment would fulfill the Federal law requirement of having parents represented on the Council. She is a mother, grandmother, and caregiver for her son and grandson with special needs. She is an active member of the Leeward Community Children's Council, Special Education Advisory Council, Special Olympics Hawaii, Hawaii Association of Parents of the Visually Impaired, and Hawaii Down's Syndrome Congress. Her advocacy in the community has benefited other families, and she was recognized as Parent of the Year a few years ago by the Special Parent Information Network at their Annual Conference.

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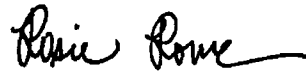
Ms. Ioli's current involvement with the various groups would assist the Council in its efforts to establish collaborative partnerships in the community to enhance the quality of life for persons with DD. Her experience as a mother, grandmother, and caregiver would contribute to the Council's activities to improve the educational system and increase support services to families. We look forward to her participation on the Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our strong support for **GM 349** to confirm Barbara A. Ioli to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Sincerely,



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March 15, 2010

The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair
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Dear Senator Ige and Members of the Committee:

SUBJECT: GM 349 - Gubernatorial Nominee Barbara Ioli

It is an honor to ask for your support of **GM 349** to confirm the nomination of Barbara Ioli to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

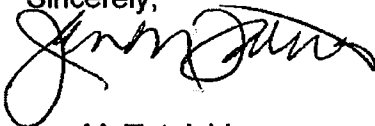
I have had the privilege of knowing Ms. Ioli for over 7 years in my professional capacity as the Program Specialist for the Special Parent Information Network and staff support to the Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC). Ms. Ioli has volunteered her expertise on the SEAC working collaboratively with stakeholders from across the state to improve our educational system. She has been instrumental in creating a CD for new members and has organized other volunteers in awareness activities for their children.

I have always admired her energy, passion and dedication to ensuring that students with disabilities can reach their potential and become contributing and productive adults. Her positive attitude has inspired families of children with disabilities and their families to be proactive in their pursuit of creating successful outcomes.

Ms. Ioli's appointment will assist the Council in its activities to promote the principles of self-determination, empower individuals with developmental disabilities to become self-advocates, and increase community supports in our state. I am deeply pleased with Ms. Ioli's nomination to serve on the Council and look forward to her contributions to improve the quality of life for individuals with DD.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my strong support for **GM 349** to confirm Barbara Ioli to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Sincerely,



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