

**GM 445**

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April 8, 2010

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
Senate Committee on Human Services

FROM: Lillian B. Koller, Director

SUBJECT: GM 445 - Gubernatorial Nomination of Gordon L. Fuller to the Statewide  
Council on Independent Living

Hearing: April 8, 2010 2:15 pm  
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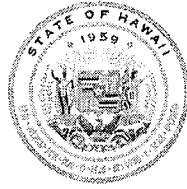
The Department of Human Services supports the nomination of Mr. Gordon L. Fuller to the State Independent Living Council (SILC). The SILC was established in the 1992 Amendments to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The SILC acts in partnership with the Vocational Rehabilitation and Services for the Blind Division on services that address independent living needs of individuals with disabilities.

Mr. Fuller will bring a diverse business background, and a personal and professional awareness of the needs for independent living services for people with disabilities. He has experience in SILCs, their functions and the relationship between the Center for Independent Living, and the State Vocational Rehabilitation agency.

Mr. Fuller was recently hired as the Hawai'i Center for Independent Living Center's (HCIL) Executive Director. He will fill the SILC's requirement to have the Executive Director of the HCIL be a full member of the Council.

Mr. Fuller will provide representation to the SILC as the Executive Director of the Hawai'i Center for Independent Living.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony to this Committee.



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April 8, 2010

The Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
Senate Committee on Human Services  
Twenty-Fifth Legislature  
State Capitol  
State of Hawaii  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Chun Oakland and Members of the Committee:

**SUBJECT: GM 445-Gubernatorial Nominee Gordon L. Fuller to the  
Statewide Council on Independent Living**

The position and views expressed in this testimony do not represent nor reflect the position and views of the Department of Health.

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities **SUPPORTS GM 445** nominating Gordon L. Fuller to the Statewide Council on Independent Living.

The DD Council is represented on the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC) through Governor Lingle's appointment of Waynette Cabral, Executive Administrator. The appointment of Mr. Fuller to SILC will fulfill the Federal Law (Section 705 of the 1992 Amendments of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973) that requires at least one director of a center on independent living as a mandatory member of SILC. Mr. Fuller's appointment to SILC is appropriate, and his participation is important to carry out SILC's mission "to promote independent living and the integration of persons with disabilities into the community and to aid individuals in achieving their goals and basic human rights."

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of GM 445.

Sincerely,

Waynette K.Y. Cabral  
Executive Administrator

Rosie Rowe  
Chair

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES  
SENATOR SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, CHAIR

**Gm 445      Testimony in support of Gordon Fuller to the Statewide  
Independent Living Council**

My name is ART FRANK and I am a member of the Statewide Independent Living Council. The first time I met Gordon Fuller at our SILC meeting he made an impression on me as a very akamai individual with a very good background. After our meeting I took the liberty to speak with Gordon, and again he impressed the hell out of me with knowledge and background working with various organizations he founded or worked with in the past. Later I read his application about his experience and background so there's no doubt in my mind Gordon Fuller will be an asset to the Statewide Independent Living Council. I strongly support Gordon Fuller's appointment to the SILC.

Thank you very much.

  
ART FRANK, Waianae Coast  
Member SILC

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**Subject:** GM#445 - THURSDAY, 4/8/10, 2:15 P.M.

Dear Chair Suzanne Chun Oakland and Committee Members:

I urge you to approve the appointment of GORDON FULLER to the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC).

As a member of SILC, I attended several meetings with Mr. Fuller and was very impressed with his knowledge and his commitment to make life better for the disabled community. He outlined his future plans which will make the disabled community more accessible to many available programs which made it difficult for them in the past.

Hawaii will be fortunate to have Mr. Fuller on board to fulfill the SILC mission.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly C. Wong

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**TESTIMONY**  
**from the**  
**Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities**

**Testifier's Name:** Waynette Cabral

**Position Title:** Executive Administrator

**Organization:** Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities

**Day, Date, and Time of Hearing:** Thursday, April 8, 2009, 2:15 pm, Rm. 016

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I am writing to support the appointment of Mr. Gordon Fuller to a vacancy on the State Independent Living Council. Mr. Fuller has brought a renewed sense of integrity and professionalism to The Hawaii Centers on Independent Living, and he has already made impressive strides to forge constructive alliances to address the barriers that block the road to independence and self-determination for Hawaii's citizens with disabilities. While he brings many fresh ideas, he has demonstrated an appreciation for the strengths of Hawaii's service agencies, as well as the determination of grassroots consumer advocates. He inspires confidence and a spirit of teamwork among his staff.

I have been a board member of his agency for one year, and the changes he has brought are welcome and truly phenomenal. I know that what he brings to his own agency is a sense of boundless optimism and focused energy, and I am sure that these attributes will serve him well in his collaboration on the SILC.

I would like to mention one example of his visionary leadership style. While there have been many budget cuts to his and other agencies, he is focusing on renewing a sense of commitment to the Independent Living philosophy, while defining new initiatives that will allow the continuation, reorganization, and even expansion of services for persons with disabilities.

I am confident that your committee will appreciate Mr. Fuller's many strengths and will expedite his appointment to the SILC.

Respectfully,

Ann Lemke, Ph.D, President  
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HONORABLE SENATOR SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, CHAIR  
HONORABLE SENATOR LES IHARA, JR., VICE CHAIR

TESTIMONY FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL  
MR. GORDON FULLER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
Hawaii Center on Independent Living

MY NAME IS PAUL TOMIYASU, BOARD MEMBER AND FIRST-VICE PRESIDENT FOR THE HAWAII CENTER ON INDEPENDENT LIVING, HONOLULU HAWAII.

THE NEED FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. GORDON FULLER TO JOIN THE STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL (SILCs) IS IMPORTANT TO OUR OWN CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING, IN THAT, WE CAN BETTER IDENTIFY THE NEEDS FOR EXPANDED INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES AND CREATE A STATE PLAN FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING (SPIL), WHICH SETS PRIORITIES AND ACHIEVES NEEDED FUNDING FOR CENTERS STATEWIDE. SILCs IS A DRIVING FORCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF CENTERS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING, PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO NEW COMMUNITIES AND ADVANCED TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO ESTABLISHED CILs.

MR. GORDON FULLER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTERS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING (CILs) HERE IN HAWAII, NATIONALLY CONNECTED, A GRASSROOTS, ADVOCACY-DRIVEN ORGANIZATIONS RUN BY AND FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES WOULD SERVE THIS COMMUNITY GREATLY AS A MEMBER OF THE SILCs BOARD. WE FOCUS ON CIVIL RIGHTS, THE INDEPENDENT LIVING PHILOSOPHY, AND "INCLUSION" WHICH IS MY PASSION SINCE I AM OFTEN "EXCLUDED". OUR CENTERS PROVIDE INDIVIDUAL AND SYSTEMS ADVOCACY, INFORMATION AND REFERRAL, PEER SUPPORT AND INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS TRAINING.

THE STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL PLANS ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR CENTER OF INDEPENDENT LIVING SO WE CAN CLOSELY WORK FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY WE SERVICE IN HAWAII. THE BENEFITS FOR THE STATE AND OUR NATIONAL ORGANIZATION CAN ONLY STRENGTHEN AND BENEFIT THE COMMUNITY WE STRIVE TO SERVICE. ALLOW MR. GORDON FULLER THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASSIST US IN ALIGNMENT AND FOCUS OF OUR ORGANIZATION HERE IN HAWAII BY PROVIDING HIM WITH A TOOL TO ENHANCE OUR WORK, BY APPOINTING HIM TO SERVE ON THE STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL.

IT IS WITH GREAT ANTICIPATION THAT HE BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS APPOINTMENT, AS AN IMPORTANT FUNCTION TO OUR SUCCESS IN SERVICING OUR COMMUNITIES HERE IN HAWAII.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,



PAUL TOMIYASU  
FIRST VICE PRESIDENT  
HAWAII CENTER ON INDEPENDENT LIVING

CC: GOV. LINDA LINGLE AND LT. GOV. AIONA

April 7, 2010

THE SENATE  
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COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES  
Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING DATE: Thursday, April 8, 2010  
Re: GM445 Appointment of Gordon Fuller to the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC)

Honorable Senators,

Aloha and thank you for this hearing.

Please accept my strong recommendation for the appointment of Gordon Fuller, Executive Director at Hawaii Center for Independent Living, to sit on the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC).

My experience with Mr. Fuller is that he is a consummate professional dedicated to the goals and mission of this fine organization, and above all, in service to those disabled around our state.

I think most importantly, Mr. Fuller sees his role not as a rescue operation, which is certainly the current paradigm for many, but rather as a way to help people achieve an optimal state of living, regardless of the particular challenge. This vision is something I think we can all aspire to.

I have discussed and documented the overall plan for HCIL with Gordon over the last few months. In fact, I am currently in the process of writing the *new* business plan, which houses the bigger vision for the organization. I can tell you HCIL will indeed, be the model of leadership development here and across the country for years to come – it is simply brilliant. I think the new plan will bring much recognition to our state and to our people.

Mr. Fuller is a true visionary and understands the nuances of social change. Through a carefully constructed team of experienced professionals, he has been able to formulate a set of opportunities to help people thrive and engage in an optimal and constructive - contributory life experience.

The HCIL program focuses not only on rallying people around, “It’s Our Story,” a video series designed to reinvent the way we see this program, but also through vocational services such as my company’s program, “Jump Start,” which trains people to create their own enterprise, get funded, and contribute in their own unique ways. The HCIL program focuses also on community outreach through the Maui Wheelers and a set of very brave industrious people around the state. HCIL has plans to attract tourism and develop new technologies that bridge the gap for those who would travel here, given the right circumstance. It truly is an exciting time for this community at large.

Mr. Fuller has assembled experts from many areas to help in the implementation of a true cultural shift, taking place as we speak. Much like Rosa Parks, he is changing the way that we see and interface with the disabled community and I’m proud to call him my friend, my client, and my mentor.

Again, I think it my duty and honor to recommend him for the position of Executive Director.

Mahalo.

Cordially,

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**Testimony Before The Senate Committee On Human Services**

**GM445 Appointment**

**Gordon Fuller to the Statewide Independent Living Council**

**April 8, 2010**

**Submitted by Jo Ann D. Koga  
Member, Statewide Independent Living Council**

Dear Chair Chun Oakland and Committee Members,

I ask you to approve the appointment of Gordon Fuller to the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC).

As the new Executive Director of the Hawaii Centers for Independent Living (HCIL), Gordon Fuller has made great strides in building bridges between HCIL and SILC, as well as other organizations within the disability community and the wider local community.

I have been impressed with what he has accomplished during his first six months at HCIL.

Gordon Fuller has exhibited the leadership skills and ability to work as a team member. His knowledge and experience of independent living make Gordon Fuller a great asset to HCIL and the Statewide Independent Living Council. Under his leadership the HCIL will be an even more effective contributor to the planning and realization of the Statewide Independent Living Plan.

Gordon Fuller has my full support and again I humbly ask you to approve his appointment to the Statewide Independent Living Council.

Respectfully yours,  
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State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street  
Re: GM 445 Gordon Fuller

My name is Sheryl Nelson. I am the Executive Director of the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC.) The council is in strong support of GM 445 appointing Gordon Fuller to the SILC.

Gordon is the Executive Director of the Hawaii Centers for Independent Living (HCIL.) His backgrounds in private and nonprofit businesses as well as his advocacy in removing social, political and cultural barriers for people with disabilities are some of the qualities that will be an asset to the SILC. His leadership and knowledge about independent living, business building, strategic planning and creative problem solving skills will benefit both the SILC and HCIL as we work together moving forward in a spirit of collaboration.

Section 705 of The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended, requires that a director of Centers for Independent Living be a voting SILC member. Gordon's appointment to SILC will comply with federal law and bring the SILC and HCIL an opportunity to work together statewide in planning and implementing programs and services for people with disabilities who choose to live independently.

Sheryl Nelson

Executive Director

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Re: In Support of GM 445 Gordon Fuller

I strongly recommend the appointment of Mr. Fuller to the Statewide Independent Living Council-Hawaii.

Mr. Fuller is the Executive Director of the Hawaii Centers for Independent Living (HCIL.) He has already demonstrated a thorough knowledge of the benefits of networking with all available service organizations charged with providing services to people with disabilities. He is working in collaboration with the Executive Director of the Statewide Independent Living Council and the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation to make the most of the available dollars in these tight economic times.

Mr. Fuller's integrity and principles are apparent in his work toward encouraging people with disabilities to strive to achieve their dreams and goals of self-determination and self-reliance. His experience working in a variety of political, social cultural and business arenas bring the vision and stability needed at this time.



Section 705 of The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended, requires that a director of Centers for Independent Living be a voting SILC member. Mr. Fuller's appointment to the SILC will fulfil this requirement and bring the Silc into compliance with federal law.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Re: GM445 Appointment of Gordon Fuller to the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC)

Honorable Senators:

My name is Christina Mailo and am now serving a second term on the Board of Directors for Hawaii Center for Independent Living (HCIL) since 2007, and was involved in the committee that hired Mr. Gordon Fuller as the new Executive Director for HCIL.

Mr. Fuller has been with us now for almost a year and a half and we have witnessed his innovative spirit as he mends and builds bridges between HCIL and other agencies. His network abilities have brought new light to reaching out not only to other service providers, but also to community areas with individuals with a disability, and considered underserved or unserved. Mr. Fuller's other great attributes as a team player, great respect and sensitivity to the diverse cultures in our State, has enabled him to communicate well with other community leaders as well as elevated the morale of his own staff statewide.

With his knowledge of the Independent Living philosophy, I strongly recommend and support the appointment of Mr. Gordon Fuller to a seat on the State Independent Living Council (SILC). I am confident that the SILC will benefit much with what Mr. Fuller will bring to the table.

It is my hope that your committee will do all you can to expedite Mr. Fuller's appointment to the SILC. The time and effort your committee has provided for this hearing is much appreciated.

Respectfully,

Christina S. Mailo  
Member of the Board of Directors  
Hawaii Center for Independent Living

Cc: Gov. Linda Lingle and Lt. Gov. Duke Aiona

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**April 6, 2010**

**To:  
Senate Human Services Committee  
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Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
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415 South Beretania Street**

**Re:  
GM 445  
Submitting for consideration and confirmation to  
the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC) Nominee,  
GORDON L. FULLER, for a term to expire 6-30-2012.**

**Aloha Chair Chun-Oakland, Vice-Chair Ihara, and members of  
this committee;**

**I am Louise Horio, Board member of SILC, and President of the  
Hui Kupuna VIP. The Hui is in strong support of GM 445,  
confirming Gordon Fuller to the Statewide Independent Living  
Council (SILC). As the new director of the Hawaii Centers for  
Independent Living (HCIL), we find Gordon to be very  
personable and passionate about his future with HCIL. His  
background and enthusiasm of advocacy for persons with**

**disabilities is most refreshing and is an asset to our community, HCIL, and SILC.**

**After a few tumultuous years, we will finally be able to work collaboratively with HCIL and be in compliance with the Federal Law to plan and implement services and programs for those of us who want to, and can, live independently for as long as possible.**

**Thank you for this consideration.**

**Most Respectfully,  
Louise Horio**

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I wish to highly recommend Gordon Fuller to be approved as the Director of the Hawaii Centers for Independent Living.

Until I returned home to Hawaii in 2003 I was the Assistant Director of the Disability Rights Council of Washington DC. In that capacity I had many dealing with the local CILs in the DC area so I have some perspective on what makes a good director. I have been a wheelchair user since 1997.

Gordon's entrepreneurial vision will bring HCIL into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. It will reduce HCIL's dependency on grants and government money. His technological background will serve us well. His vision for accessible tourism is brilliant and will bring much needed income into HCIL. I believe Gordon Fuller will put HCIL on the map.

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