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GM 459, "Michelle Galimba"

COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
Senator Clayton Hee, Chair
Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Vice Chair

Chair Hee and Members of the Committee,

Testimony by: Lorie Farrell

The Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation is the largest non-profit general agriculture organization in the State of Hawaii with over 1600 farm & ranch members Statewide. We "**Support**" the nomination of Mrs. Michelle Galimba to the Hawaii Board of Agriculture.

Michelle has extensive agriculture experience and is a tremendous resource to Hawaii's agricultural Industry. Mrs. Galimba has a diverse & skilled background and would be a tremendous asset to the Board of Agriculture. Her agricultural background is extensive, she has shown repeatedly to be a leader with the agricultural industry; we believe Michelle will be an asset to the Hawaii Board of agriculture in its' mission to provide leadership and advocacy for Hawaii's agriculture industry

The Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation is pleased to support the nomination of Michelle Galimba, to the Hawaii Board of Agriculture. We hope that you will give Mrs. Galimba's nomination to this position serious consideration.

Sincerely,
Lorie Farrell
Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation

From: Susan Matsushima [alluvio@hawaii.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 06, 2010 8:51 PM
To: WTLTestimony
Cc: 'Michelle Galimba'
Subject: re: GM 459 Michelle Galimba for Board of Agriculture April 7, 2010

RE: GM 459
Michelle Galimba for Board of Agriculture
Hearing April 7, 2010 at 2:45

My name is Susan Matsushima, CEO of Alluvion, Inc. Am writing in full support for the appointment of Michelle Galimba to the Board of Agriculture. The addition of Michelle to the Board will bring youth, enthusiasm, great passion for agriculture, and a well educated PhD to speak eloquently on behalf of agricultural issues. Her experience of running a business, Kuahiwi Ranch, with her Dad and brother, brings on the farm experiences that will be valuable in decision making.

As a Vice President to the Big Island Cattlemen's Council, she has helped to promote the development of keeping more animals here in Hawaii for consumption for food security for our State.

Please support Michelle Galimba with your yes vote for her to the Board of Agriculture.

Sincerely,

Susan Matsushima

Christopher English
Support

Subject	Re: Confirmation Hearing-Board of Agriculture--Michelle Galimba
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Aloha Senator Hee and all other Committee Members:

My name is Christopher English. I am currently the president of the Hawaii Cattlemen's Association (HCA), an organization that represents more than 60 ranches and in excess of 50,000 cows on the island of Hawaii. I am writing in support of the nomination of Michelle Galimba to the Board of Agriculture. Michelle is an excellent candidate for this position. She has tirelessly served the cattle industry through the years at both the county and state level. Her interest, knowledge and support of all agricultural in Hawaii are commendable.

On behalf of the HCA membership, I would ask that you please confirm Michelle Galimba as a member of the Board of Agriculture. Mahalo for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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