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Honorable Senator Will Espero, Chair
Honorable Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair
Committee on PGM
The Senate
The Twenty-Sixth Legislature
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Chair Espero, Vice Chair Kidani, and Members:

I would like to offer strong support for the confirmation of Mr. Bruce A. Coppa for the Comptroller of the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS). During his short tenure here thus far, he has demonstrated exceptional leadership and the ability to work with people and forge a stronger team at DAGS. I enjoy working with him and feel that he will bring many new ideas and approaches needed to deal with the challenges we face. In closing, please forward his nomination for full senate confirmation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ernest Y.W. Lau".

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GENERAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF HAWAII

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TO: THE HONORABLE WILL ESPERO, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, GOVERNMENT
OPERATIONS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: GM No. 514: Confirmation of Bruce Coppa as Comptroller Director of the
Department of Accounting And General Services

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 17, 2011
TIME: 2:45 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Espero and members of the Committee:

General Contractors Association (GCA), an organization comprised of over five hundred-eighty (580) general contractors, subcontractors and construction related firms strongly supports the Senate's confirmation of Bruce Coppa as Comptroller and Director of Accounting and General Services of the State of Hawaii.

Mr. Coppa has served in various positions in the construction industry throughout his past business and governmental career. He has served as the head of the Pacific Resource Partnership a labor management consortium as well several positions working with various other construction associations including the General Contractors Association of Hawaii.

The GCA and its members have had numerous contacts with Mr. Coppa working with the construction industry and we have always found Bruce responsive and helpful in resolving problems that arose regarding contractors and the construction industry.

The GCA strongly supports the appointment and confirmation of Bruce Coppa as the State Comptroller and Director of the Department of Accounting Services.

Very truly yours,

Sherman Wong, Chair
Legislative Committee