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TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE
COMMITTEE:

My name is Keali'i Lopez, and I am the Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("DCCA" or the "Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony on Governor's Message No. 534, regarding the appointment of Matt Brady to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers ("Board"). The Department supports Mr. Brady's appointment and respectfully requests that the Committee recommend that the Senate advise and consent to his appointment to the Board.

The Department has been in contact with Mr. Brady regarding his candidacy for appointment to the Board, and based on our discussion, I believe that he possesses the

qualifications, background, and experiences to serve on the Board, and to contribute in a positive and constructive manner on matters that will come before the Board.

Mr. Brady has been in the plumbing and piping trade for more than 23 years. He attended the University of Hawaii at Hilo and graduated from the 5-year apprenticeship program offered by Hilo and Maui Community Colleges and the Plumbers and Fitters Apprenticeship Program, Local 675 to become a licensed journeyman plumber in 1992. Mr. Brady currently serves as the Division Manager and Superintendent for Dorvin D. Leis Co., Inc. with responsibility over the company's plumbing business including the supervision of up to 10 staff members and unionized tradesmen.

In addition to his professional activities, Mr. Brady contributes to the betterment of his profession in various ways. He is an instructor with the Plumbing Apprenticeship Program at Honolulu Community College/PAMCAH Local 675 Training, along with teaching related math and safety classes for Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) certification. Mr. Brady also serves on the Executive Board for Local 675 Plumbers and Fitters.

Considering his extensive experience, I am confident that if given the opportunity, Mr. Brady will prove to be an asset to the State through his service on the Board. I respectfully request that the Committee recommend that the Senate advise and consent to Mr. Brady's appointment.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.