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Testimony of
Honorable Neil Abercrombie
Governor, State of Hawaii

To the Senate Education Committee
Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair
Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

GM 545
Consideration and Confirmation of Wray Jose
to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Kidani, and members of the Committee:

I am pleased to nominate Wray Jose to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board. Jose will represent Oahu secondary school teachers. His term will end on 6/30/2012.

Jose has 20 years of teaching experience. He is currently a Social Studies teacher at Moanalua High School where he has served for his entire career as a full-time teacher. Jose has served in a variety of roles in his school including as an in-school member, Professional Development Team member, and School Community Council Member. Jose was the state's History Teacher of the Year in 2004.

Jose is committed to ensuring that there is a quality teacher in every classroom in the State of Hawaii which is commitment of our state's Race to the Top plan. Jose served on the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board previously from 2005 to 2007. Jose is proud to have authored the original version of the teacher Code of Ethics which is now part of the Hawaii Department of Education's administrative rules.

Thank you for your consideration. I respectfully request that you confirm Wray Jose to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board.