

GM705

**Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the
Board of Health, Gubernatorial Nominee, VINCENT LEE,
for a term to expire 6-30-2015**

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Testimony of Loretta J. Fuddy, A.C.S.W., M.P.H.
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G.M. 705, Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the Hawaii Board of Health, Gubernatorial Nominee, Vincent Lee, for a term to expire 6-30-2015

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health strongly supports confirmation of Vincent Lee to
2 serve on the Hawaii Board of Health for a term to expire on June 30, 2015.

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None

4 **Purpose and Justification:** To confirm the appointment of Vincent Lee to serve on
5 The Board of Health representing Oahu.

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7 Vincent Lee is the Regional Chief Executive Officer for Leahi Hospital. Prior to assuming his present
8 position, Mr. Lee held a variety of administrative and management position in healthcare settings on
9 Oahu.

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11 Mr. Lee has extensive experience in healthcare, community programs and public health. He has served
12 on many boards and commissions in both the public and private sectors, including the mayor's
13 Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council, the Governor's Hawaii State Emergency Medical
14 Services Commission, the Governor's Hawaii State Commission on Persons with Disabilities, and many
15 community organizations.

1 His professional experience both in the public and private sectors would be assets to the Board.

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3 We respectfully request your expeditious and favorable consideration in confirming Vincent Lee to
4 serve on the Board of Health as a representative for Oahu.

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6 Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of this appointment.



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**TO: The Honorable Josh Green, M. D., Chair,
The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair, and
Members of the Senate Committee on Health**

**FROM: Avery B. Chumbley, Chair
Hawaii Health Systems Corporation
Board of Directors**

**RE: GM 705 – Testimony in Support of Gubernatorial
Nominee Vincent Lee For Consideration and
Confirmation to the Board of Health.**

On behalf of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Board of Directors, I appreciate this opportunity to testify in strong support of the confirmation of Vincent H.S. Lee, as a member of the state Board of Health.

It is our pleasure to support the appointment of Mr. Lee, who has extensive experience in health care, including both acute and long-term term care and public health. Mr. Lee was instrumental in the establishment and facilitation of numerous community-hospital health initiatives that have served as effective models in the continuum of health care provisions for acute, nursing-home, and community-based care.


In addition to his regional chief executive officer duties and responsibilities of the HHSC Oahu region, Mr. Lee presently serves as an ex-officio member of the HHSC Corporate Board of Directors and maintains strong and committed advocacy for long-term care needs.

Mr. Lee's professional commitment, to continually improve public health, are noted on his curriculum vitae.

The state of Hawaii should strongly feel confident that Mr. Lee will be able to address Hawaii's immediate and long-term public health issues.

On behalf of the HHSC Corporate Board of Directors, I am proud to support Mr. Vincent Lee during this confirmation process in becoming a board member of the state Board of Health.

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TESTIMONY IN STRONG SUPORT OF GM 705**MR. VINCENT LEE FOR HIS NOMINATION TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH****Hearing Date: Wed. 4/13/2011, Room 229, at 3:00 PM****To: Honorable Sen. Josh Green and Members of the Senate Health Committee****From:** 
Dominic Inocelda, Clinical Administrator
Susannah Wesley Community Center
554-1006 Cell**RE: Testimony in support of Mr. Vincent Lee (GM 705) for Nomination to the Board of Health**

I am writing in strong support of Mr. Vincent Lee for the nomination to the Board of Health. Mr. Lee has been involved in the health field since I first worked with him as a practicum student from Leeward Community College in 1974. Since that time Mr. Lee has been an administrator of health programs and an effective manager in various hospital settings.

I am most familiar with Mr. Lee's involvement with community affairs in the Kalihi-Palama community. For many years the Kalihi-Palama Community Council was an active organization that worked for the betterment of the community. Mr. Lee was a core leader of this council. His leadership along with other community leaders was instrumental in the Kapalama Canal Beautification & Improvement project, support for the establishment of the Kalihi-Palama Branch Public Library and the Kalakaua Recreation Center, vigilance and action to keep bars and other adult entertainment establishments from proliferating in the community, and the forum on "Establishing Public Policy" to discuss the Weed and Seed Program, County Visioning process and the Trans-2K project, and the Federal Hope VI and Empowerment Zone initiatives, and working with area businesses and voicing concerns with government representatives in the site selection for the Federal Detention Center in the Honolulu Airport area.

Personally, my working experiences with Mr. Lee has demonstrated to me that he is a caring leader who makes a commitment to improving the lives of people and the community he serves. He is trustworthy and is able to work with others to accomplish worthwhile tasks. If nominated, I know that he will bring the kind of leadership and administrative knowledge and skills that can the Board of Health needs.

Thank you for this opportunity to write in support of Mr. Vincent Lee.

The Twenty-sixth Legislature, State of Hawaii
The Senate
Committee on Health

April 13, 2011

GM 705

Board of Health Nominee Vincent Lee

Senator Josh Green, M.D., Chair and Senator Clarence Nishihara, Vice Chair-

I am pleased to submit my testimony in strong support of nominee Vincent Lee to serve on the Board of Health.

Mr. Lee has devoted more than 40 years serving in the health care arena to ensure that the residents and visitors are provided the highest level of medical care in Hawaii. He possesses a Masters in Public Health and had served as the System Vice President at the St. Francis Health System for approximately 26 years. He continues to utilize his broad hospital administrative skills as the Oahu Regional CEO at the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) who operates 14 facilities statewide. These state-run facilities provide acute and long-term care medical services and many times are the only healthcare facility in rural areas. Mr. Lee has held many distinguished leadership positions in national and local professional health care associations.

Mr. Lee is an excellent candidate to continue to serve the public on the Board of Health. His extensive knowledge and experience in the healthcare field will make him a valuable member of the Board to help advise the Director of Health in implementing various programs to ensure the health of our citizens remains in the upper percentile nationwide.

I respectfully request your support in confirming Mr. Vincent Lee as a member of the Board of Health.

Sincerely,



Carolee C. Kubo

Senator Green & members of the senate health committee:

I am extremely honored to have an opportunity to serve as a member of the state Board of Health. My professional experience in responding to the health care needs of our communities for over 40 years has provided me with a range of perspectives to addressing critical issues before us today. Additionally, I have worked in healthcare as a clinical social worker and healthcare executive in both the private & public sectors which have furthered my understanding of public health issues in our communities & state.

Previously, I have served on the Commission on Disabilities and was the past chair of the State Emergency Medical Services.

I look forward to the opportunity to serve our community & state as a member of the state board of health.

Will you email me back to acknowledge that you have received this email. You can also reach me at 733-7922.

Mahalo,

VINCENT LEE, FACHE

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