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G.M. 741 – Submitting for Consideration and
Confirmation to the Hawai'i Labor Relations
Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, Rock Ley

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO supports the nomination of Dr. Rock Ley to the Hawai'i Labor Relations Board (HLRB).

Dr. Ley currently serves on the State of Hawaii Labor and Industrial Relations Appeal Board as an Administrative Hearings Officer, where he reviews, examines and adjudicates claims for workers' compensation benefits and the resolution of contested claims and benefit disputes. His diverse educational background includes a B.A. in History from Dartmouth College, a Ph.D. in Modern Economic and Social History from Johns Hopkins University, and a J.D. from Southwestern School of Law. He has also served in the capacity of an attorney at Char Hamilton Campbell & Thom, Deputy Attorney General, Labor Division for the State of Hawai'i, and Adjunct Faculty Instructor at the Universite de Caen in France and the Hawaii Pacific University.

Through his career and formal education, Dr. Ley has gained a comprehensive understanding of the history and dynamics between labor organizations and employers. We are confident that Dr. Ley has the ability to judiciously administer the functions of the Board, as outlined in §89, HRS. With specific regards to our organization, the HLRB directly impacts all of our members, as the HLRB has jurisdiction over employers and employees of the State of Hawaii and counties, the Judiciary, the Department of Education, including the public charter schools, the University of Hawaii system, and the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation. Given his employment background, we believe he is more than capable of analyzing, understanding, and articulating positions to his fellow board members. Our organization trusts that Dr. Ley will be an advocate for public employment relations, as stipulated in our State Constitution and the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

It is our pleasure to offer our support for the confirmation of Dr. Rock Ley to the Hawai'i Labor Relations Board, and we request your favorable consideration of his appointment.

Respectfully submitted,



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