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Senate Committed on Education
Jill Tokuda, Chair

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Senate Committee on Health
Sen Josh Green, Chair

Honorable Chairpersons and Committee Members;

We would like to go on record as strong supporters of SB 240, and the sustaining of the Physician Workforce study in Hawaii;

This study provides exceptionally strong data to assist in any effort to recruit physician and other providers for Hawaii, and to lend support to any effort in trying to address the critical physician/provider shortages in our state. Without the data that has been gathered by Kelly Withy and her colleagues at JABSOM, it would be very difficult both clarify the problem and to target initiatives accurately.

Please help set aside the sustaining funds needed to carry on this important work.

Thank you for allowing us to present this supportive testimony for SB 240.

Sincerely,
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