

GM510

JILL OLIVEIRA GRAY

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Pharmacy, Gubernatorial Nominee, JILL OLIVEIRA GRAY, for a term to expire 6-30-2014.

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COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2012

Monday, March 19, 2012
9:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 510.

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

My name is Lee Ann Teshima and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Pharmacy, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 510, regarding the appointment of Jill Oliveira Gray to the Board of Pharmacy ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Ms. Oliveira Gray's appointment to the Board.

Ms. Oliveira Gray has served on the Board as an interim appointee since July 12, 2011 and is being appointed as a public member. She has been a licensed psychologist since December 2002 and her license is current, active, and in good standing.

Ms. Oliveira Gray is a reliable member and has attended 6 of 9 meetings since her appointment. She is prepared for the meetings and participates in discussions.

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Ms. Oliveira Gray is well respected by the other Board members and as a public member, she asks questions so that she may better understand the issues before voting on them. Her contribution to the Board is greatly appreciated and one can see that with every meeting she attends, she's becoming more confident.

The Department believes that Ms. Oliveira Gray's interest in serving on the Board and her desire to contribute to the community will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the Board.

Therefore, the Department supports the confirmation of Jill Oliveira Gray to the Board of Pharmacy and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



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March 13, 2012

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 230
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: Dr. Jill Oliveira Gray's Nomination to Board of Pharmacy

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi and members of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection,

I am writing on behalf of Dr. Jill Oliveira Gray, a nominee for the Board of Pharmacy. I have known Dr. Oliveira Gray, in a professional capacity, for the last 11 years, as a postdoctoral fellow at Tripler Army Medical Center, as the Director of Behavioral Health at Nā Pu'uwai Native Hawaiian Health Care Systems Clinic and Waimānalo Health Center (WHC) and most recently as the Director of Programs and Evaluation at I Ola Lāhui, Inc. During her fellowship, I served as a supervisor. Currently, I am proud to call her a colleague.

I have found Dr. Oliveira Gray to be a bright, articulate, organized, personable, respectful and reflective clinician. She has maintained a continued interest and commitment to providing psychological services in rural areas as demonstrated by her work on the island of Moloka'i for 8 years and now at WHC. Over the last 10 years, Dr. Oliveira Gray has made it a priority to advocate for those living in rural and underserved communities. Her ability to integrate into these communities has resulted in more comprehensive care for her patients. She has been instrumental in the development of WHC's Patient Centered Health Care Home (PCHCH). Her vast experience working as a part of interdisciplinary teams will serve her well on the Board of Pharmacy. Her attitude and perseverance has earned her the respect of her peers.

Outside of direct patient care, Dr. Oliveira Gray has worked tirelessly to promote the practice of culturally mindful psychological practice. She has served on the American Psychological Association (APA) Committee on Rural Health (2003-2006) and the Ron Levant Presidential Task Force on Enhancing Diversity in APA. She was the 2010 President of the Hawai'i Psychological Association (HPA) and is currently Chair of the HPA Prescriptive Authority Task Force and the Chairperson of the Board at Alu Like. She is deeply respected within the community, not only for her patient care, but for her leadership and as a volunteer on many boards for organizations that serve the Native Hawaiian Community.

Dr. Oliveira Gray has firsthand experience of the health needs of Hawai'i's rural communities and has consistently demonstrated her ability to engage the members of these communities.

Without reservation, I strongly recommend her as a member of the Board of Pharmacy.

Thank you for your consideration of her appointment.

Please feel free to contact me at (808) 525-6255 or rmiyamoto@iolalahui.org should you need further information.

Sincerely,

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Director of Training
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March 18, 2012

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair, Committee on Commerce and
Consumer Protection
Senatorial District 10
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 219
Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Dr. Jill Olivera-Gray's nomination to the Board of Pharmacy

Aloha Honorable Senator Baker,

I am writing to you as a personal friend and business associate of Dr. Oliver-Gray, who is seeking confirmation as a public member of the Board of Pharmacy this month.

Jill demonstrates a commitment to her profession and excellence in the field of psychology. She is always working towards improving resources and services in her field of practice. She also is a dynamic leader, as the Chairwomen of Alu Like, Inc., which is how I met Jill 4 years ago, and continually promotes excellence in others on our board and for our beloved organization.

I highly recommend Jill for the Board of Pharmacy, she will bring her knowledge, expertise, compassion, work values and leadership to your board.

Sincerely,

Paige Kapiolani Barber
Executive Director
Nanakuli Housing Corporation

March 15, 2012

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair, Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

Senatorial District 5

Hawaii State Capitol, Room 230

Honolulu, HI 96813

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair, Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

Senatorial District 10

Hawaii State Capitol, Room 219

Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: Dr. Jill Oliveira Gray's nomination as a Public Member to the Board of Pharmacy

Dear Honorable Senators Baker and Taniguchi,

It is with great pleasure that I write this support letter as both a personal friend and professional colleague of Dr. Jill Oliveria Gray, who is pursuing confirmation for her nomination to serve as a Public Member to the Board of Pharmacy. I have been able to develop both a personal and professional relationship with Dr. Oliveira Gray over the past 10 years in various capacities, including as a trainee, a working colleague, and through our working partnerships serving on various boards and committees in our state and national professional organizations.

Given the duties and responsibilities as a public member representative to the Board of Pharmacy, I strongly feel that Dr. Oliveira Gray would be a tremendous asset to this group of professionals given her proven history as a leader and health care provider in integrated healthcare within our state and among our rural, medically diverse populations. I have found Dr. Oliveira Gray to be extremely ethical,

compassionate, and caring. She is a tremendous communicator and listener and is able to both understand and address various issues from the multiple perspectives of a health care provider, patient, consumer of services, and private citizen to work towards a positive outcome for everyone involved. Dr. Oliveira Gray has been and continues to be a leader in our profession and the community and will, undoubtedly, add tremendous knowledge and expertise to the Board of Pharmacy.

It is without any hesitation that I strongly support Dr. Oliveira Gray's nomination to the Board of Pharmacy based on my personal and professional knowledge of her, and feel that the Board, our State, and communities will benefit from her appointment to this position.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit my letter of support and your consideration of my testimony for Dr. Oliveira Gray in her nomination to the Board of Pharmacy.

Respectfully,

Darryl S. Salvador, Psy.D.

Licensed Clinical Psychologist

President-Elect, Hawaii Psychological Association

My name is Martin Johnson and I am a small business owner and psychologist living in Hawaii for the past 25 years. Over the last ten years it has been my pleasure to know Jill as a friend and a colleague. I know her to be a person of great intelligence, integrity and caring. She is a person deeply committed to the health care of the people of this state as demonstrated by her tireless activities to advocate for and make available quality health care to the rural communities in Hawaii.

I am writing to enthusiastically support her nomination to the Board of Pharmacy. I would like to warmly encourage the approval of her nomination to the board.

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Warm aloha,

Martin

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**TESTIMONY OF
JILL OLIVEIRA GRAY
TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND
CONSUMER PROTECTION
ON MARCH 19, 2012
G.M. 510**

**Submitting for the consideration and confirmation to the Board of
Pharmacy, Gubernatorial Nominee, Jill Oliveira Gray, for a term to
expire 6-30-2014.**

Dear Chair Baker, Vice-Chair Taniguchi, and members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection:

Thank you for this opportunity to speak with you today. I am seeking confirmation for my nomination as a public member on the Board of Pharmacy. I have a professional interest in the delivery of integrated, interdisciplinary care, as well as, that of public service. I wish to serve on the Board of Pharmacy to fulfill both these interests.

I have been a licensed psychologist in Hawai'i since 2001. On a professional level, I have been involved in the delivery of integrated, interdisciplinary care and improving the health status and well-being of underserved and/or disenfranchised populations. My work has afforded me excellent opportunities to work alongside other health care professionals from a wide range of specialties in rural areas where collaboration and joint decision-making are critical elements of patient care.

I have worked primarily in rural, medically underserved areas as a primary care psychologist in community health centers. I work collaboratively with physicians, nurses, medical assistants, nutritionists, community outreach workers, and medical case managers on a daily basis. I also interact regularly with local pharmacists and other medical specialists to increase access to quality care for the patients I serve in rural, medically underserved areas. Without these professional relationships and interactions, health care delivery is fragmented and difficult for all involved.

I have also become very humbled by and passionate about public service as it pertains to my profession and the broader population we are all a part of. I see the necessary links between professional work, advocacy, and public service, and the greater good that can be achieved when these parts are connected.

My understanding of the role and responsibilities of the board is that it is ultimately designed to protect the general welfare and interests of the public as it relates to the practice of pharmacy in the state of Hawai'i. Toward this end, the Board of Pharmacy has legislative, adjudicatory, and executory functions that are carried out during each monthly board meeting amongst the board members, executive officer, and a deputy attorney general.

I believe I am qualified to serve because of my professional work as a health service

provider in the state of Hawai'i. I have worked in a variety of geographical locations throughout our state and in various clinical settings and thus understand ethical issues of patient safety from both the provider's perspective as well as the consumer, or patient's, perspective. Additionally, I have served on multiple boards and hold various leadership positions in our state and national psychological association, as well as, a Native Hawaiian community organization, which has helped me to hone skills essential to the decision making process such as effective communication, both listening and speaking, considering multiple points of view and striving for win-win situations despite disparities that may exist at the table.

As a public member on the Board of Pharmacy, I will strive to uphold my role and responsibilities in order to assist the board in serving its purpose for both the profession of pharmacy and most importantly, the people of Hawai'i.

Mahalo nui for taking the time to consider my nomination.

Warm regards,

Jill Oliveira Gray, Ph.D.
Licensed Clinical Psychologist