



GOV. MSG. NO. 536

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January 5, 2012

The Honorable Shan Tsutsui, President  
and Members of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Tsutsui and Members of the Senate,

In accordance with the provisions of Article V, Section 6, of the Hawai'i State Constitution, I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration and confirmation, the following nomination to the **State Rehabilitation Council**:

STATE REHABILITATION  
COUNCIL

TERM TO EXPIRE

Guy Tajiri

6/30/2014

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Neil Abercrombie".

NEIL ABERCROMBIE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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February 21, 2012

**MEMORANDUM:**

TO: The Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
Senate Committee on Human Services

FROM: Patricia McManaman, Director

SUBJECT: **G.M. 536 - Gubernatorial Nomination of Guy Tajiri to the State  
Rehabilitation Council**

Hearing: Tuesday, February 21, 2012, 1:15 p.m.  
Conference Room 016, State Capitol

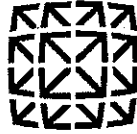
The Department of Human Services (DHS) supports the nomination of Mr. Guy Tajiri to the State Rehabilitation Council (SRC).

Mr. Guy Tajiri is seeking an appointment for his first term to the SRC. Mr. Tajiri has over 30 years in the labor market working as a union representative. He now works within the management side of the labor industry bringing important employment perspectives from both sides to the council. Mr. Tajiri's professional experience is a much needed network that can support the awareness and education of the abilities of individuals with disabilities to Hawaii's businesses and employers. He brings a positive respect for the processes of government resources and the necessity to bridge the gap of misunderstandings towards a positive perception of the employment of individuals with disabilities.

Mr. Tajiri's commitment to serving his community through the council bringing his unique qualities from the labor market will play an important role in the SRC's partnership with the Department's Vocational Rehabilitation and Services for the Blind Division's services to individuals with disabilities. Mr. Tajiri has a lifetime of both personal and professional awareness of the diverse cultural needs of Hawaii's labor market and brings this perspective to the council's work.

Mr. Tajiri will provide representation to the SRC for Business and Labor and Honolulu County.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony to this Committee.



HAWAII EMPLOYERS COUNCIL

February 17, 2012

Senate Committee on Human Services  
Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair  
Hawaii State Capitol, Conference Room 016  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Testimony in Support of Gubernatorial Nominee, Guy Tajiri (GM 536)

Dear Senator Chun Oakland, Senator Ihara, and Committee Members:

I respectfully submit this testimony in support of Gubernatorial Nominee, Guy Tajiri, for the State Rehabilitation Council.

In the four years that Mr. Tajiri and I have worked together at the Hawaii Employers Council ("HEC"), I have been impressed not only by his diligence and analytical abilities, but also by his willingness to create a better work environment for all HEC staff. He has a unique ability of facilitating a collaborative approach to tackling work-related problems. His positive attitude is infectious and his work ethic is inspiring.

It has been, and continues to be, a pleasure to work with Mr. Tajiri, and I sincerely believe he can be a positive contributor in the State Rehabilitation Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide supportive testimony for Mr. Tajiri.

Very Truly Yours,

Sheri-Ann Lau Clark  
Corporate Secretary and General Counsel