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#### Written Testimony Only

SENATE COMMITTEE ON Public Safety, Government Operations and Military Affairs

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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 569: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Civil Defense Advisory Council
Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM F. ANONSEN, for a term to expire June 30, 2013.

#### **Testimony in Support**

By Glenn Hong, President, and Roy Catalani, Vice President, Young Brothers, Limited February 23, 2012, 2:00 p.m., Senate Conference Room 224

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message 569 concerning the Governor's nomination of William F. Anonsen to the Civil Defense Advisory Council of the State of Hawaii ("Council"). We submit this testimony in support of Mr. Anonsen's nomination.

The Hawaii State Civil Defense agency was founded, in part, as a result of "the dependence of the State upon seaborne commerce for food supplies and other commodities essential to the public health, safety, and welfare and to the economic life of its people" and "the danger of shortages of such supplies and commodities" resulting from a civil defense emergency. Mr. Anonson has an ideal combination of leadership and experience in maritime commerce and operations to be a member of an advisory council with whom the governor may consult and by whom the governor may be advised in the performance of the governor's duties and in the exercise of the governor's powers in matters pertaining to civil defense.

Mr. Anonsen has been, for the last ten years, the Managing Partner of the The Maritime Group, LLC, which provides a diverse range of maritime related consultancy services and project management assistance to public and private sector agencies and companies globally. He has worked in the maritime industry for the past 37 years, engaged in all aspects of the maritime industry, including port development, ship husbandry, port logistics and marine transportation, cargo and cruise ship operations, legislative oversight, regulatory compliance and maritime security. He was worked as the Director of Port Operations - Hawaii for NCL America, and as part of the senior management team, established new company operations to support start-up operations of new U.S. flagged cruise ship operations in Hawaii. Prior to NCL, Mr. Anonsen served on contract as a Maritime Operations Specialist to the State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation. His responsibilities included development of immediate and long-term statewide port security measures; development of cruise ship terminal and infrastructure improvements; and liaison actions with the State of Hawaii commercial harbor users in statewide port development improvement initiatives and identifying areas of concerns. He has also worked for other maritime companies, including American Classic Voyages Co. (American Hawaii Cruises/United States Lines) where he served as Vice President-Maritime Affairs, Prior to American Classic Voyages, he worked for Sause Brothers, Matson Navigation Company, and Theo Davies Marine Agencies where he had operational oversight of company vessels and the management of marine logistics and terminal support operations.

In short, Mr. Anonsen's extensive experience makes him an excellent choice for the Council. We respectfully request that you recommend approval of his nomination.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment of Governor's Message 569.

From: Sent: Myron Fuller [mrfuller171@msn.com] Thursday, February 23, 2012 12:21 PM

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Testimony on behalf of William Anonsen

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## To Whom It May Concern:

I do proudly lend my name and testimony on behalf of Willaim Anonsen in support of his considerations for service on the Civil Defense Advisory Council. I have known Bill Anonsen for five years, and have known about him for more years than that, all in a most favorable manner.

I served with Bill on the Federal Law Enforcement Foundation Board of which I am currently the President. Bill has worked tirelessly on numerous projects in leadership and support positions that continue to aid projects that help reduce crime and promote good will. He is a known and respected friend of Law Enforcement with his sustained relationships with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Honolulu Police Department, the U.S. Coast Guard, various Branches of the U.S. Military and his community relationships.

Bill is recognized for his commitmet of time and financial resources to improve the integrity and good will of our Great County, our Great State of Hawaii and our various Communities at large. I know him to be a man of principle and to posess the highest integrity, character and respect for his relationships in business, pofessional vocations and community spirit. He is a proud man for his family, his friends and his countrymen.

I proudly and without reservation, highly recommend Bill for consideration to serve the Great State of Hawaii and our Great Country by rendering his service to the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

With regards and respect or those who protect our State and Country,

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Testimony: Public Safety, Government Operations and Military Affairs Committee

Dear Senators,

My testimony is on behalf and in support of confirmation for William F. Anonsen to the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

I have known Bill for over 30 years during my career as a Deck Officer and Ship Captain with Matson Navigation. Bill essentially grew up on the Honolulu waterfront and knows the ins and outs as well as the importance of our maritime systems here in Hawaii. He understands how things work and what it takes to make things happen in an emergency because he has actually worked within that system and with the people who make our marine industry happen. His experience spans all Hawaii's ports, not just Honolulu. He would be a very strong, intelligent and experienced member to sit with the Advisory Council.

I urge you to support his confirmation.

Respectfully, Captain Norman A. Piianaia Retired Ship Master, Matson Navigation Company

## February 22, 2012

#### TESTIMONY OF MICHAEL D. FORMBY

#### GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 569

## COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

Honorable Chair Espero, Honorable Vice Chair Kidani and Members of the Committee:

I offer this testimony in strong support of the Governor's nomination of William F. Anonsen to the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

William ("Bill") F. Anonsen, Principal, Amergent Techs, LLC, and Managing Partner of The Maritime Group, LLC, currently serves as an Interim Council Member on the Civil Defense Advisory Council. Mr. Anonsen is a former Vice President at American Classic Voyages, was in charge of Marine Operations at Matson Navigation and was head of Operations at Jardine Matheson's Ship Agency Division.

Mr. Anonsen is known and respected amongst Hawaii's maritime community for his maritime, port, vessel management, logistics and marine operations expertise. As the Members of this Committee are aware, the maritime community plays a very significant and important role in Hawaii's Civil Defense readiness. In my opinion as a maritime attorney since 1993 and former Deputy Director, Harbors Division, there is no individual more qualified for nomination to the Civil Defense Advisory Council than Bill Anonsen and I strongly recommend him to you for your confirmation.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of GM569.

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From:

Jon Young [jon@hawaiiasphalt.org]

Sent:

Wednesday, February 22, 2012 8:32 PM

To: Cc: PGM Testimony William F. Anonsen

Subject:

Mr. William Anonsen to the Civil Defense Advisory Council

#### Dear Senator Espero and Senator Kidani:

I am pleased to provide my personal testimony in support of Mr. William Anonsen's nomination to the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

I have known Mr. Anonsen for about 7 years. We met while working together on the Kalaeloa Asphalt Terminal project. During the course of the project I observed his ability to see the big picture, yet take care of the details; his effectiveness in working with government agencies to overcome difficult and complex situations; and his desire to be a true team player. Bill is a man of integrity and trustworthiness.

For me, Bill's greatest strength is his willingness to help. I have benefited greatly from his help and advice that he provided me on the terminal project and in my current position as the Executive Director of the Hawaii Asphalt Paving Industry. This is due to his experiences he has shared with me about his work with various government agencies and people in general. I am certain that he has helped many others.

In my view, Bill is an excellent person to join the Civil Defense Advisory Committee.

Sincerely,
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Senator Will Espero, Chair Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair Senate Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations, and Military Affairs

Thursday, February 23, 2012, 2:00 pm Conference Room 224, State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

RE: GM 569, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Civil Defense Advisory Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM ANONSEN, for a term to expire 6-30-2014

Aloha Chair Espero, Vice-Chair Kidani and members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations, and Military Affairs. My name is Charles Toguchi and I'm providing written testimony today in support of William (Bill) Anonsen's gubernatorial nomination to serve on the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

In my interaction with Bill over the past 10 years, he has always impressed me as a person of high integrity and ethics. He is a good leader who always motivates others to do their best. He loves Hawaii and is always involved in organizations and activities that attempt to make Hawaii a better place for our children.

I strongly believe Bill Annonsen has the qualifications, experience, and commitment to effectively serve the people of Hawaii. Bill has successfully worked in Hawaii's maritime industry for over 35 years, including management and/or consulting positions with The Maritime Group, Norwegian Cruise Lines, American Classic Voyages, Sause Brothers, Matson Navigation Company, Theo Davies Marine, and the State of Hawaii DOT.

Bill has developed an extensive working knowledge of both the private and public sectors in Hawaii. Based on his past interactions with governmental agencies at all levels, he has a unique understanding of how Federal, State and Country agencies operate. As a strategic planner and maritime planner, Bill will bring a wide range of skills and insights to the Council. His past involvement has also

included disaster/emergency planning and the development of statewide port security measures.

William Anonsen will definitely be a great addition to the Civil Defense Advisory Council. Without any reservations, I strongly urge your favorable consideration of his nomination.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to present this testimony.

Sincerely, Charles T. Toguchi

# Denise Hayashi Denise Hayashi Consulting, LLC 667 Paikau Street Honolulu, HI 96816



February 23, 2012

# TESTIMONY IN STRONG SUPPORT OF THE CONFIRMATION OF WILLIAM F. ANONSEN TO THE CIVIL DEFENSE ADVISORY COUNCIL

Aloha Chairman Will Espero, and Vice Chair Michelle Kidani and Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Governmental Operations and Military Affairs,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to testify in strong support of the confirmation of William F. Anonsen to the Civil Defense Advisory Council. I have personally known Mr. Anonsen for more than 10+ years in my various capacities during my tenure at Bishop Museum and the Hawaii Maritime Center, NCL America and Coast Guard Foundation.

Mr. Anonsen is well-deserving of this nomination and will be a tremendous asset to the Civil Defense Advisory Council. He has worked in the maritime industry for more than 38 years and has a wealth of knowledge in shipping, port development, maritime transportation and cargo, cruise ship operations, legislation and regulatory compliance and maritime security. He is also a strong advocate for the American Merchant Marine and the maritime industry.

He is currently the Principal of the Maritime Group and Amergent Techs which is a global consultancy service company providing a diverse range of maritime related services and project management assistance to public and private sector agencies and companies.

In additional to Mr. Anonsen's professional work, he is also involved in many community service activities including Trustee of the Marimed Foundation, University of Hawaii's Advisory Board, Honolulu Police Community Foundation Board of Directors, Federal Law Enforcement Foundation Board of Directors, Chair of the Kalaleoa Barbers Point Harbor Advisory Council, Hawaii Ship Agents Association President, Merchant Marine Advisory Board, Navy League Honolulu Council Board of Directors, National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council, Highway Users Alliance Board of Directors, Hawaii Emergency Preparedness Executive Consortium, and various industry associations.

I appreciate your time and consideration of my testimony in support of Mr. Anonsen and hope that he will receive your confirmation for the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

Sincerely,

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Gubernatorial Nomination to Civil Defense Advisory Council

Please pass to the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Government Operations and Military Affairs.

Chair, Senator Will Espero, Vice Chair, Senator Michelle Kidani and Members of the Senate Committee:

I am writing this email in **strong support** for your confirmation of **Mr. Bill Anonsen** to serve on the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

I have known and worked with Mr. Anonsen for 15 years and know him as someone who is totally committed to our community and to the State of Hawaii. He has spent many years serving as a member of the Maritime industry, both in leadership positions within the industry, and as a volunteer focused on improving our harbors to ensure safety and reliability for future generations. He has worked for the State within the Department of Transportation - Harbors Division, is an active member of the Honolulu Council of the Navy League, is well known and respected within our local military leadership circles, serves on several boards and is well known for his diligent research and keen attention to detail whenever he is called upon to address specific challenges or answer a need for in-depth analysis.

His knowledge and experience both within the maritime industry and in working with the military give him a unique perspective when working with Civil Defense issues. His ability to maintain a broad perspective on any issue while still bringing creative problem solving techniques to the table would be valuable additions to the Council.

In my opinion, from the perspective of a retired military officer and as President of a local maritime company, I believe you could have no better person on the Civil Defense Advisory Council than **Bill Anonsen**. Please allow him to expand his service to this great State and confirm him for this position.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of Mr. Anonsen's appointment.

Respectfully.

Kraig M. Kennedy President and General Manager McCabe, Hamilton and Renny Co., Ltd.

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# Testimony for PGM 2/22/12 2:00PM GM 569

Aloha Chair Espero, Vice Chair Kidani and members of the committee. I am State Sheriff Shawn H. Tsuha of the Sheriff Division, Department of Public Safety and I am writing in SUPPORT of the nomination of Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM ANONSEN, to the Civil Defense Advisory Council. I have been employed with the State for over 20 years, and also currently serve as a Major in the Hawaii Army National Guard. I know that he is eminently qualified to execute the duties of the position and is a subject matter expert in the area of Maritime Operations. Since the attacks of 9/11 he has worked tirelessly in assisting State Law Enforcement to secure our maritime lifeline at Honolulu Harbor and Barbers Point Deep Draft Harbor. He has served as an advisor to the Sheriff Division and the State Law Enforcement Coalition (SLEC) in matters of maritime operations and security without compensation. He guidance was critical in establishing the public/private partnership necessary to secure Honolulu Harbor in the immediate response to the attacks of 9/11. However, what I feel is most important, is his devotion and passion, for the safety and security of the citizens of this state. I am blessed to call him a mentor and friend, and feel that he will provide the right guidance to the State Civil Defense that will ensure resources will be available in the event of any hazard that the state may encounter.

Shawn H. Tsuha,

Sheriff, Department of Public Safety