



GOV. MSG. NO. 632

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
HONOLULU

NEIL ABERCROMBIE  
GOVERNOR

February 10, 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,

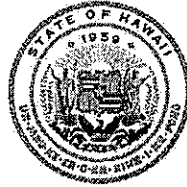
In accordance with the provisions of Article V, Section 6, of the Hawai'i State Constitution, I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration and confirmation, the following nomination to the **State Council on Developmental Disabilities**:

<u>STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES</u>	<u>TERM TO EXPIRE</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
Ben Dalaudao	6/30/2016	Reappointment

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Neil Abercrombie".

NEIL ABERCROMBIE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i



**STATE OF HAWAII**  
STATE COUNCIL  
ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES  
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February 28, 2012

The Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
The Honorable Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair  
Senate Committee on Human Services  
Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
State Capitol  
State of Hawaii  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senators Chun Oakland and Ihara and Members of the Committee:

**SUBJECT:** GM 632 – State Council on Developmental Disabilities  
Gubernatorial Nominee Ben Dalauidao

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD) **STRONGLY SUPPORTS GM 632** to confirm the nomination of Ben Dalauidao for a term to expire June 30, 2016.

The Council's Federal mandate (P.L.106-402) is clear in determining the composition of this body to ensure that all the players involved in the development, implementation, and use of DD supports are represented. The law specifically requires that 60 percent of the membership of the Council be comprised of individuals with DD, their parents, or family members. Additionally, the following are required to be on the Council: relevant State entities; State entities that administer funds provided under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; the Older Americans Act of 1965; Titles V and XIX of the Social Security Act; the Protection and Advocacy Agency; the Centers for Excellence in DD Education, Research, and Service; local and non-governmental agencies, and private non-profit groups concerned with services for individuals with DD.

Mr. Dalauidao's reappointment to the Council would continue to fulfill the Federal requirement for representatives of individuals with DD. He resides in Papaikou on the Big Island and was first appointed to the Council in July 2008. He is an active member of the Council's Employment and Education Committee that is working to increase employment options and promote individualized school transitions to employment, self-employment and/or postsecondary options for individuals with DD. As a self-advocate, he represents individuals with DD from East Hawaii and is a very motivated member of the East Hawaii DD Committee. He aspires to become a leader in self-advocacy and mentor other individuals to become their own advocates.

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His participation on both Committees provides valuable insight on how to support individuals with DD to become leaders in the community and to establish a statewide self-advocacy network. Mr. Dalauidaao's appointment will assist the Council in its activities to promote the principles of self-determination, empower individuals with DD to become self-advocates, and increase employment opportunities in the community.

The Council is pleased with Mr. Dalauidaao's nomination to serve on the Council for a second term. We look forward to his contributions to improve the quality of life for individuals with DD.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our strong support for **GM 632** to confirm Ben Dalauidaao to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Sincerely,

  
Liz Ann Salvador  
Chair

  
Waynette K.Y. Cabral, MSW  
Executive Administrator

Meizhu Lui  
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Papaaloa, HI 96780  
Feb. 15, 2012

Date of hearing: Feb. 21, 2012

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
Senate Human Services Committee  
Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
State Capitol  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Chun Oakland and Members of the Human Services Committee:

As a long time health activist, formerly with Health Care for All Massachusetts, I applaud your work on disability issues. In particular, including people with disabilities on the Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities is excellent - who could be more expert than they?

I write in support for Governor's Message #632 nominating Ben Daviduidau for his second term on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities. I've known Ben and his family for several years; Ben is a leader among his peers, lively, engaging, and interested in their happiness. He has the full support of family and friends. His experience on the Council has not only brought his perspective to the State, but has been a milestone in his own progress as well.

His confirmation to a second term representing East Hawaii would benefit people with developmental disabilities. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Meizhu Lui

Director Emeritus  
Closing the Racial Wealth Gap Initiative  
Insight Center for Community Economic Development

February 16, 2012  
P.O. Box 148  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96727

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
26th Legislature Human Services Committee  
State Capital Honolulu, Hawaii 96813  
Dear Senator Oakland & and Members of  
the Human Services Committee,

My name is Alan Dalao. I am writing  
to let you know that I strongly support  
Ben S. Dalavidoo for a second term as a  
State Council Member on Developmental  
Disabilities. I've known Ben for 5 years  
and he is a happy and honest man. He is  
very proud when he serve his first term,  
I am a retired Army National Guard Man.

Please Consider his nomination, GM 1632  
Your Consideration is very much appreciated.  
Sincerely, Alan B. Dalao

FEBRUARY 16 2012  
P.O. BOX 267  
PAPA KOU, HI 96781

SENATOR SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, CHAIR  
SENATE HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE TWENTY-  
SIXTH LEGISLATURE STATE CAPITOL,  
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96815

DEAR SENATOR CHUN OAKLAND AND MEMBERS OF  
THE HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE,

MY NAME IS CLAIRE GABRIEL & I OWN A  
CARE HOME. I'M WRITING TO EXPRESS MY  
SUPPORT FOR BEN S. PALAUIDO FOR A  
SECOND TERM AS A STATE COUNCIL MEMBER  
ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. I'VE KNOWN  
BEN FOR 4 YEARS AND I KNOW THAT HE  
IS GOOD AND KIND TO PEOPLE WITH  
DISABILITIES. PLEASE CONSIDER HIS  
NOMINATION. GM-632.

SINCERELY,

*Claire Gabriel*  
808C969-5268

Ben S. Dalavidas II  
P.O. Box 373  
Papaikou, Hawaii 96781

Date of Hearing - Feb. 21, 2012 11:5 am.  
Rm-632

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
Senate Human Services Committee  
Twenty-sixth Legislature State Capitol  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear ~~Senator~~ Chun Oakland + Members  
of the Human Services Committee, My  
name is Ben S. Dalavidas II and I would  
like to serve for a second term so  
I can help people with developmental  
disabilities. I learned a lot during  
my first term and would like  
to continue doing it. Your help +  
consideration is highly appreciated.  
Beside my colon problem, I am one of the  
many with intellectual disability.

Sincerely,

Ben S. Dalavidas II

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
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Submitted on: 2/27/2012

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