# GM643 CLEMENTINA CERIA-ULEP

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of

Measure Title:

Directors of the Hawai'i Health Connector, Gubernatorial Nominee,

CLEMENTINA CERIA-ULEP, for a term to expire 6-30-2014.

Report Title:

Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Health Connector

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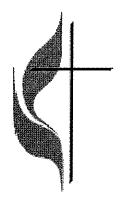
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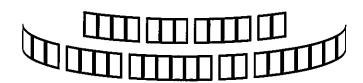
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Introducer(s):

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2/16/2012	S	Received.
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3/1/2012	s	The committee(s) on CPN has scheduled a public hearing on 03-23-12 9:00AM in conference room 229.





March 23, 2012

TO: SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION FROM: REV. SAMUEL L DOMINGO, FACE OAHU PRESIDENT RE: CONFIRMATION OF DR. CLEMENTINA CERIA-ULEP TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HAWAII HEALTH CONNECTOR

#### ALOHA CHAIR BAKER AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

As President of FACE Oahu, I support the confirmation of DR.CLEMENTINA CERIA-ULEP'S nomination to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Connector. She has been a leader of FACE since its inception and is a Past President. Currently, Dr. Ceria-Ulep serves as our Vice President for the Laity, and is a member of the Healthcare Committee, of which she is a former chair. Dr. Ceria-Ulep is a distinguished faculty member and administrator at the UH School of Nursing. She is a leader in her congregation of Our Lady of the Mount Catholic Church in Kalihi Valley. I have come to appreciate this passionate person of faith who has given her life in service. As a member of FACE I have worked with Dr. Ceria-Ulep on many social justice issues and of course the issue of healthcare is where her true passion lies.

I STRONGLY SUPPORT her nomination. She will be a strong advocate for the healthcare consumer and vulnerable healthcare population that will be covered by the Hawaii Health Connector.

Sincerely,

Rev. Samuel L Domingo

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### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair

DATE: Friday, March 23, 2012

TIME: 9:00 am

PLACE: Conference Room 229

## TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF NOMINATION OF CLEMENTINA CERIA-ULEP GM 643

Good Morning Chair Baker and members of the Committee:

I am the Rev. Monsignor Terrence Watanabe and I am the Maui President of FACE (Faith Action for Community Equity). FACE is the largest State interfaith and community organizing non-profit. We have 29 institutions on Maui, 27 on Oahu and one statewide. There are 38 churches, a Buddhist Temple, 2 Jewish congregations, 10 community groups and non-profit organizations and one labor union. FACE has a statewide participating membership base in excess of 40,000.

I am here in support of the nomination of CLEMENTIA CERIA-ULEP. I have known Clem for over 15 years and she has served as the President of FACE. She has also been the Chair of our Healthcare Committee and knows and understands the medically underserved people of our state and the needs of the Consumer.

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Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: June Takeno Organization: FACE-Unit: KUMC

E-mail: takenon001@hawaii.rr.com

Submitted on: 3/22/2012

#### Comments:

As a member of FACE, I fully support the confirmation of Dr. Clementia Ceria-Ulep. As past president of FACE, chairperson of Healthcare Committe and her years of service to our community as an advocate for the consumer and particularly, the vulnerable population of Hawaii. She will be fair and just and be an asset to HHC Board. Please support Clem. Mahalo.

Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Luanne H. Long, RN

Organization: Individual E-mail: <a href="mailto:lhlong324@yahoo.com">lhlong324@yahoo.com</a> Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Juliet Raymundo, RN

Organization: Individual

E-mail: raymundo juliet@yahoo.com

Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Cortney Midla
Organization: Individual
E-mail: midla@hawaii.edu
Submitted on: 3/21/2012

#### Comments:

I support the confirmation of Clementina Ceria-Ulep for the Hawaii Health Connector board. She will be a strong health care consumer advocate.

Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Roslynn Pascua
Organization: Individual
E-mail: roslynn61@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 3/21/2012

#### Comments:

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Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Eldon L. Wegner Organization: Individual

E-mail: <u>elwegner1@yahoo.com</u>
Submitted on: 3/21/2012

#### Comments:

I support the confirmation of CLEMENTINA CERIA-ULEP.

Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Mary C. Talon

Organization: FACE

E-mail: talonmc@yahoo.com Submitted on: 3/21/2012

#### Comments:

I am a member of FACE and I support the confirmation of CLEMENTINA CERIA-ULEP. As a member of FACE I have worked with Clem on many social justice issues. I have shared time with Clem and I have seen her caring for her fellow man and the people of Hawaii. She has been a past President of FACE and has been a member of the FACE healthcare Committee as well as our Chair for many years.

I STRONGLY SUPPORT her nomination. She will be a strong advocate for the healthcare consumer and vulnerable healthcare population that will be covered by the Hawaii Health Connector.

It is critical that the voice of the consumer be well represented.

Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No

Submitted by: Rev. Dr. Fran Wiebenga Organization: Wahiawa United Methodist Ch

E-mail: <a href="mailto:revfranw@aol.com">revfranw@aol.com</a> Submitted on: 3/21/2012

#### Comments:

I have been very impressed every time I work with Clementina Ceria-Ulep. She is a person of great intelligence, and has extensive knowledge of the health care system. I believe we need informed consumers and citizens who can provide valuable leadership on the Hawaii Health Connector, and who can work well with the representatives from the health insurance and other health organizations. I strongly support Clem as a person who can be that leader.

Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Karen Muronaka Organization: Individual

E-mail: kmuronaka@hawaiiantel.net

Submitted on: 3/21/2012

#### Comments:

I am a member of FACE. I strongly support the confirmation of Dr. Clemintina Ceria-Ulep, a past president of FACE and for many years, chair of the FACE Healthcare Committee. Her PhD in nursing science, her work in numerous social justice and health issues make her a valuable asset for the Hawaii Health Connector. Please confirm Dr. Ceria-Ulep to the health insurance exchange.

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to submit my support of the appointment of Dr Clementina Cerio-Ulep to the Hawaii Health Connector Committee as a consumer representative.

Best,

Laura Reichhardt Irnr@hawaii.edu

MEPN Student University of Hawaii Manoa Department of Nursing and Dental Hygiene

"Life is a gift, and it offers us the privilege, opportunity, and responsibility to give something back by becoming more. - Anthony Robbins.

Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Support

Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Wailua Brandman APRN-Rx BC FAANP

Organization: Individual E-mail: wailua@aya.yale.edu Submitted on: 3/19/2012

Comments:

Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Oppose Testifier will be present: No Submitted by: Barbara Robeson

Organization: Individual

E-mail: robesonb999@hawaii.rr.com

Submitted on: 3/21/2012

#### Comments:

I strongly oppose this nomination. Please exclude any and all candidates who work for health insurers due to concerns of their financial conflicts of interest they will definitely have if confirmed on the Hawaii Health Connector.

27 February 2012

Senator Rosalyn Baker State Capitol Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Senator Baker:

I am honored to be nominated as a member of the Board of Director of the Hawaii Health Connector, hereafter referred to as the Board. As requested, I would like to address the following:

<u>I want to be a member</u> of the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Connector to be a voice of the consumers.

My understanding of the role and responsibilities of the Board is the following. The Hawaii Health Connector will serve the **purposes of**: connecting buyers and sellers of health and dental insurance plans; and facilitate the purchase and sale of federally qualified health and dental insurance plans. The Board will also serve as a clearinghouse for information on all qualified health and dental plans and those included in the Hawaii Health Connector (SB 134, SD2, HD3, CD1, The Senate 26<sup>th</sup> Legislature, 2011).

I believe that I am qualified to serve on the Board for the following reasons. As a nurse educator for 18 years, a registered nurse for over 29 years, and a leader for over 15 years of Faith Action for Community Equity (FACE), an interfaith grass roots organization, I am aware of the issues and struggles faced by consumers related to health care. For these reasons, I believe that I am well qualified to serve as the voice of the consumer of the Board of the Hawaii Health Connector. Attached is my abbreviated curriculum vitae with details validating my credentials to serve in this capacity.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 956-5225 (daytime), or 258-0802 (evening). Thank you very much for this opportunity to apply for this position.

Sincerely,

Clementina D. Ceria-Ulep, PhD, RN

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Associate Professor and Department Chair for Nursing

University of Hawaii at Manoa School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene

& Leader of FACE