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Dear Senator Green and Members of the Senate Health Committee:

The following is a statement in which I have tried to address the questions provided. Thank you for the opportunity to assist you with the confirmation process.

In order for the people in the state of Hawai'i to have optimal health status, the Hawai'i State Department of Health must function at an optimal level. My expertise is in the field of public health and I very much want to apply my skills and knowledge towards this end. I believe I have the background, knowledge, and expertise to be able to make substantive contributions to the Board of Health. I look forward to the Senate's positive consideration of my nomination to serve as a member of the Board of Health.

As a member of the Board of Health I will provide key advice and recommendations to the Director of Health to help the Director in making appropriate decisions to provide optimal public health and preventive medicine services to the people of Hawai'i.

I believe I am uniquely qualified to serve as a member of the Board of Health. I am currently Professor and Chair of Graduate Studies for the Department of Public Health Sciences, John A. Burns School of Medicine, University of Hawai'i. I have been a faculty member in public health (initially with the School of Public Health and then with the School of Medicine) since I was hired by the university in 1988 as an assistant professor. I am a physician with an MD degree from the University of California, Irvine (1980) and am a licensed physician in the state of Hawai'i. I also earned a masters degree in public health from the University of Hawai'i's School of Public Health (1987). I am board certified in Preventive Medicine and General Public Health and hold "Fellow" status in both the American College of Preventive Medicine and the American College of Epidemiology. Prior to joining the University, I served as Director of the AIDS/STD Prevention Program in the Hawai'i State Department of Health from 1987-1988. The Prevention Program was transitioning to "Branch" status during this interval. I also served as a staff physician at the Waikiki Health Center, a federally qualified community health center, from 1983-1987 and was their medical director from 1984-85.

During my term of service on the Board of Health I hope to contribute to and help the Department of Health in its mission to protect and improve the health and environment for all people in Hawai'i.

Three qualities that describe me and make me stand out are my dedication, altruism, and empathy. These are the attributes that led me to pursue a career in academic medicine and public health. These attributes coupled with my academic, medical, and public health background will allow me insights and understanding to provide thoughtful advice to the Director of Health and benefit the Board of Health.

A single experience that has made me stand out is my service as Graduate Chair for Public Health Studies at the University of Hawai'i over the past six years. In this capacity I have had the opportunity to work closely with all of our graduate students and faculty and serve as a liaison to maintain an excellent academic program. I have also had the opportunity to spearhead the development of new academic programs, such as our new MD-MPH program, and have provided focused career counseling for our students to help them navigate the best path to meet their future career goals.

I do not believe I have any potential conflicts of interest. Public health has been my passion and my professional life. I have worked closely with many members of the Hawai'i State Department of Health and believe that I have cultivated a positive relationship with my department colleagues.

I am attaching a current resume for your review. Please do not hesitate to contact me either by e-mail at katz@hawaii.edu or phone: 808-956-5741 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Katz', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

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Education:

- 1972-1976: University of California, San Diego, Revelle College; B.A. biology, summa cum laude.
- 1976-1980: University of California, Irvine; M.D.
- 1985-1987: University of Hawaii School of Public Health; M.P.H. epidemiology.

Residency Training:

- 1980-1981: First year post-graduate training in internal medicine; Los Angeles County-University of Southern California Medical Center.
- 1982-1983: Second year post-graduate training in internal medicine; University of Hawaii.
- 1985-1987: Preventive medicine residency; University of Hawaii School of Public Health

Employment History:

- 1981-1982: Staff Physician, Department of Emergency Medicine, Los Angeles County-University of Southern California Medical Center.
- 1983-1987: Staff Physician, Medical Director (1984-85), Waikiki Health Center (United Way, state-subsidized, community health center).
- 1984-1991: Staff Physician, Department of Emergency Medicine, Kaiser-Permanente Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii.
- 1986-1987: Coordinator, Chlamydia Control/Network Project, State of Hawaii Department of Health (HDOH).
- 1987-1988: Director, AIDS/STD Prevention Program, HDOH.
- 1988-1994: Assistant Professor, Department of Public Health Sciences, University of Hawaii School of Public Health (UHSPH).
- 1994-1999: Director, Preventive Medicine Residency Program, UHSPH.
- 1994-2000 Associate Professor, Department of Public Health Sciences, UHSPH.
- 1996- Staff Physician/Medical Consultant, Diamond Head STD Clinic, HDOH
- 2000-2005 Associate Professor, Department of Public Health Sciences and Epidemiology, University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine.
- 2005- Professor, Department of Public Health Sciences, University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine
- 2006- Graduate Chair, Public Health, University of Hawaii

Honors: Recipient of the University of Hawaii Presidential Citation for Meritorious Teaching, 1989; Elected as a Fellow of the American College of Preventive Medicine, 1989; Recipient of the University of Hawaii School of Public Health Outstanding Mentor Award, 1990; Recipient of the University of Hawaii Regent's Medal for Excellence in Teaching, 1992; Elected to the Delta Omega National Public Health Honor Society, 1992; Recipient of the University of Hawaii Distinguished Graduate Mentoring Award, 2008; Elected as a Fellow of the American College of Epidemiology, 2008.

Certificates: Diplomate of the National Boards of Medical Examiners, 1981; Diplomate of the American Board of Preventive Medicine, 1989.

Membership:

National/International: Member, U.S. Public Health Service Workgroup on Chlamydia Control (Region IX) 1985-87; Member: American Public Health Association, Society for Epidemiologic Research; Fellow, American College of Epidemiology; Fellow, American College of Preventive Medicine.

State of Hawaii: Member, Hawaii State Department of Health Institutional Review Board, Leptospirosis Ad Hoc Committee, and Hepatitis C Strategic Planning Group; Member, Hawaii Public Health Association; Gamma Chapter, Delta Omega, Secretary/Treasurer 2009-10, Vice President 2010-12.

University of Hawaii: Preventive Medicine Residency Advisory Committee 1987-99; UH School of Public Health Faculty Senate, President 1989-90, 1995-96; UH Manoa Faculty Senate 1990-92, 2006-08, Chair, Committee on Student Affairs, 2007-08; UH Committee on Human Studies (IRB), 1989-99, Vice Chair 1994-95, Chair 1995-99; Member, Scientific Advisory Board, Hawaii AIDS Clinical Trials Research Program, Chair, Data Monitoring and Safety Board, 2003-present.

Journal Reviewer: Tropical Medicine and International Health, International Journal of Infectious Diseases, European Journal of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Disease, Epidemiology and Infection, American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, Annals of Tropical Medicine and Parasitology, PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases, PLoS ONE, Clinical Infectious Diseases, Emerging Infectious Diseases, Pediatric Infectious Disease Journal, BMC Infectious Diseases, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, American Journal of Public Health, American Journal of Preventive Medicine, Ambulatory Pediatrics, Academic Pediatrics, Journal of Women's Health, International Journal of Cardiology, Biosecurity and Bioterrorism, Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness, Indian Journal of Medical Sciences, Journal of Environmental and Public Health, Pacific Health Dialog, Asia-Pacific Journal of Public Health, Hawaii Medical Journal

Publications

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2. Sasaki DM, Katz AR, Middleton CR. *Capnocytophaga* and related infections. In: Beran GW (ed). Handbook of zoonoses, second edition, section A: bacterial, rickettsial, chlamydial, and mycotic. Boca Raton: CRC Press, 1994:209-219.
3. Katz AR. Health problems in the Pacific. In: Peterson BB, Solheim WG (eds). The Pacific region 1990: change and challenge. Washington, D.C.: Fulbright Association, 1991:116-120.

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2. Katz AR, Lee MVC, Wasserman GM. Sexually transmitted disease (STD) update: a review of the CDC 2010 STD treatment guidelines and epidemiologic trends of common STDs in Hawaii. Hawaii Med J (in press).
3. Katz AR, Komeya AY, Soge OO, Kiaha MI, Lee MVC, Wasserman GM, Maningas EV, Whelen AC, Kirkcaldy RD, Shapiro SJ, Bolan GA, Holmes KK. *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* with high-level resistance to azithromycin: case report of the first isolate identified in the United States. Clin Infect Dis. 2011 Dec 19. Epub ahead of print.
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8. Scholly K, Katz AR, Cole D, Heck RH. Factors associated with adverse sexual outcomes among college students. Am J Health Stud 2010;25:176-185.

9. Katz AR. Letter by Katz regarding article, "Television viewing time and mortality: the Australian Diabetes, Obesity and Lifestyle Study (AusDiab)" [letter]. Circulation 2010;122:e471.
10. Hurst FP, Neff RT, Katz AR, Buchholz AE, Sasaki DM, Berg BW, Abbott KC. Acute kidney injury requiring hemodialysis in patients with anicteric leptospirosis. Clin Nephrol 2009;72:186-92.
11. Katz AR, Cadorna AM, Lee MVC, Komeya A, Kiaha M, Ohye RG. Investigation of a cluster of syphilis, gonorrhea, and chlamydia cases among heterosexual Micronesians living on Oahu. J Community Health 2009;34:357-60.
12. Parrish JW, Katz AR, Grove JS, Maddock J, Myhre S. Characteristics of women seeking emergency contraception at a university-based women's health clinic. Am J Obstet Gynecol 2009;201(1):22.e1-7.
13. Katz AR. Looking back on *The House of God* [letter]. JAMA 2008;299:2390.
14. Ellis T, Imrie A, Katz AR, Effler PV. Underrecognition of leptospirosis during a dengue fever outbreak in Hawaii, 2001-2002. Vector Borne Zoonotic Dis 2008;8:541-548.
15. Katz AR. Reduced falls in the elderly: tai chi or placebo or Hawthorne effect? [letter]. J Am Geriatr Soc 2008;56:776-777.
16. Katz AR. Selection of cases and controls: additional information is needed [letter]. Int J Cardiol 2008;124:364-365.
17. Morita JE, Fujioka RS, Tice AD, Berestecky J, Sato D, Seifried SE, Katz AR. Survey of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) carriage in healthy college students, Hawaii. Hawaii Med J 2007;66:213-215.
18. Katz AR. Indian enigma? Reanalyzed data are less than supportive [letter]. Am J Gastroenterol 2007;102:2114-2115.
19. Gaynor K, Katz AR, Park SY, Nakata M, Clark TA, Effler PV. Leptospirosis on Oahu: an outbreak associated with flooding of a university campus. Am J Trop Med Hyg 2007;76:882-885.
20. Katz AR, Nekorchuk DM, Holck PS, Hendrickson LA, Imrie AA, Effler PV. Hawaii veterinarians' bioterrorism preparedness needs assessment survey. J Vet Med Educ 2006;33:612-617.

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2. Lee V, Katz A, Ohye R. Sexually transmitted disease treatment guidelines: update for gonococcal infections and syphilis. Hawaii State Department of Health, Communicable Disease Report March/April 2004:5-7. Available from: URL: http://www.hawaii.gov/health/family-child-health/contagious-disease/comm-disease/cdr/cdr_2004marapr.pdf. Accessed 6 January 2007.
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3. Contributing author: Hawaii State Department of Health STD/AIDS Prevention Branch. An Epidemiological profile of HIV/AIDS in Hawaii. July 1998 (77 pages).

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2. Jessop H, Li D, Hurwitz E, Katz A. Asthma health disparities in U.S. Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders. Presented at the American Public Health Association 139th Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., 29 October-2 November 2011.
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4. McGrath C, Lee M, Katz A. Chlamydia screening of adolescent females: primary care provider survey, Hawaii, 2007-2008. Presented at the 2010 National Sexually Transmitted Disease Prevention Conference, Atlanta, GA, 8-11 March 2010.

5. Katz A, Hinson, A, Buchholz A, Cremer E, Effler P. Epidemiology and clinical presentation of 176 laboratory-confirmed leptospirosis cases in Hawaii, 1999-2006. Presented at the 136th Annual American Public Health Association Conference, San Diego, CA, 27 October 2008.
6. Cadorna A, Katz A, Lee V, Komeya A, Kiaha M, Ohye R. Investigation of a cluster of syphilis, gonorrhea, and Chlamydia cases among heterosexual Micronesians living on Oahu. Presented at the 2008 National Sexually Transmitted Disease Prevention Conference, Chicago, IL, 10-13 March 2008.
7. Ellis T, Imrie AA, Katz A, Park SY, Effler PV. Previously unrecognized leptospirosis in Hawaii. Presented at the 44th Annual Meeting of the Infectious Disease Society of America, Toronto, Canada, 12-15 October 2006.
8. Morita J, Tice A, Fujioka R, Katz A, Siefried S. Nasal colonization of *Staphylococcus aureus* among healthy college students. Presented at the Joint Meeting of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Science Foundation/National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences Centers for Oceans and Human Health, Seattle, WA, 24-25 April 2006.
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14. Derauf DC, Katz A, Easa D. The prevalence of methamphetamine and other drug use during pregnancy. Presented at the National Institute of Drug Abuse Workshop: Effects of In Utero Exposure to Methamphetamines, Rockville, MD, 27 March 2000.
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Research Projects/Grants:

1. 2006-2011 Title of proposal: Evaluation Services of HIV Prevention and Care Programs; Funding agency: Hawaii State Department of Health (through a DHHS Ryan White Care Act, Title II Grant Award); Total direct cost: \$269,787; Principal Investigator: A. Katz
2. 2004- Title of proposal: Pacific Research Center for Marine Biomedicine; Funding agency: National Institutes of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health, Grant No. P50 ES012740-01; Total direct cost: \$488,000; Principal investigator: E. Laws; Role on grant: 5% Co-investigator.
3. 2003-2005 Title of proposal: Bioterrorism Education and Training, Needs Assessment; Funding agency: Hawaii State Department of Health (through a US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention award); Total direct cost: \$155,000; Principal investigator: A. Katz
4. 2003- Title of proposal: Why Active Duty Military Personnel and their Beneficiaries Seek Civilian Sector STD Screening and Treatment Services; Funding agency: Hawaii State Department of Health; Principal investigator: A. Katz

5. 2003-2007 Title of proposal: Efficacy of Oral Cefpodoxime in the Treatment of Gonococcal Infection; Funding agency: California State Department of Health Services (through a US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention award); Total direct cost: \$75,000; Principal Investigator: G. Bolan; Role on grant: Hawaii Project Site Coordinator.
6. 2001-2004 Title of proposal: Low Back Pain, Patient Satisfaction, and Depression; Funding agency: Clinical Research Center, University of Hawaii (through a Research Centers in Minority Institutions award, P20 RR/AI 11091, National Center for Research Resources, National Institutes of Health); Total direct cost: \$3,740; Principal investigator: A. Katz
7. 1999-2003: Title of proposal: The Prevalence of Methamphetamine and Other Drug Use During Pregnancy; Funding agency: Clinical Research Center, University of Hawaii (through a Research Centers in Minority Institutions award, P20 RR/AI 11091, National Center for Research Resources, National Institutes of Health); Total direct cost: \$14,824; Principal investigator: C. Derauf; Role on grant: Co-investigator.
8. 1997-2000: Title of proposal: Visiting Scholar Program; Funding agency: Hawaii State Department of Health (through a US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention award); Total direct cost: \$35,000; Principal Investigator: A. Katz
9. 1995-1996: Title of proposal: HIV Transmission in Commercial Sex Workers in Vietnam: a behavioral and molecular epidemiologic study of risk factors for infection; Funding agency: University of Hawaii/East-West Center Collaborative Research Program; Total direct cost: \$30,000; Principal investigator: D. Morens; Role on grant: Co-investigator.
10. 1992-1994: Title of proposal: Leptospirosis Seroprevalence Among Blood Donors in Hawaii; Funding agency: Hawaii State Department of Health (DOH) and World Health Organization's Leptospirosis Reference Laboratory, Brisbane, Australia; Principal investigator: A. Katz
11. 1991-1992: Title of proposal: Epidemiologic Survey of Tuberculosis on Palau; Funding agency: University of Hawaii Research Council; Total direct cost: \$9,500; Principal investigator: A. Katz
12. 1991-1994: Title of proposal: Smoking and Dietary Antecedents of Parkinson Disease; Funding agency: National Institute of Neurologic Disorders and Stroke, National Institutes of Health; Total direct cost: \$269,463; Principal investigator: D. Morens; Role on grant: Co-investigator.

13. 1989-1991: Title of proposal: Epidemiology Support of AIDS (Health Surveillance in the Republic of Palau); Funding agency: National Institutes of Health, Selective Excellence in Health-Related Research; Total direct costs: \$148,531 over two years; Principal investigator: A. Simone; Role on grant: Co-investigator
14. 1986-1988: Title of proposal: Chlamydia Prevalence Survey in Hawaii; Funding agency: U.S. Public Health Service, Region IX, Preventive Health Services; Total direct cost: \$32,944; Principal investigator: A. Katz

Instructional Grants:

1. 2007-2011 Title of proposal: Pacific Emergency Management, Preparedness and Response Information Network and Training Services; Funding agency: Health Resources Services Administration, Grant No. T01HP06427; Total direct cost: \$899,970; Principal investigator: A. Sakaguchi; Role on grant: 10% Co-investigator.
2. 2007-2008 Title of proposal: Increasing Public and Community Health Capacity: An Advanced Nursing Education Program for Public/Community Health; Funding Agency: Health Resources Services Administration, Grant No. D09HP07987; Total direct cost: \$319,356; Principal investigator: K. Qureshi; Role on grant: 10% Co-investigator.
3. 2003-2005: Title of proposal: Pacific Bioterrorism Curriculum Project; Funding agency: Health Resources Services Administration; Total direct cost: \$391,792; Principal investigator: K. Withy; Role on grant: 10% Co-investigator
4. 1994-1995: Title of proposal: Development of a Mobile HIV/AIDS Instructional Curriculum; Funding agency: University of Hawaii Office of Faculty Development and Academic Support, Educational Improvement Fund; Total direct costs: \$2,750; Awardees: A. Katz and D. Morens
5. 1989-1990: Title of proposal: Request for Hawaii Interactive Television Instructional Development Funding; Funding agency: University of Hawaii Office of Planning and Policy, and Hawaii Public Television; Total direct cost: \$2,880; Awardee: A. Katz

Other Scholarly Products: Authored: Hawaii Revised Statute (HRS) 325-17 "Quality Assurance Standards for HIV-antibody Testing" Introduced by Hawaii State Representative Jim Shon, and enacted into law during the 1987-1988 legislative session.

Courses taught, University of Hawaii:

- 2007-present: PH666 "Seminar in Infectious Disease Control" (3 credits)
 2003-present: BIOM642 "Applied Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics" (3 credits)
 1989-present: PH661 "Epidemiologic Study Design Critique" (2 credits)
 1989-present: PH663 "Principles of Epidemiology" (3 credits)
 1996-present: BIOM593 "Primary Care and Community Health"
 1996-1999: PH780 "Preventive Medicine Seminar" (1 credit)
 1989-1997: PH662 "HIV and the Human Condition" (3 credits)

Curriculum developed, University of Hawaii:

- BIOM642 "Applied Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics," introduced: Spring 2004
 PH696 "Continuing Education in Public Health," introduced: Spring 2003

Other teaching :

- 19 May- 6 June 2008: Visiting Faculty, Wuhan University School of Public Health, Wuhan, China.
 21-25 February 2000: Faculty, World AIDS Foundation, HIV Prevention Research Workshop, Hanoi, Vietnam.
 20 June-1 July 1994: Faculty, University of California at Los Angeles/East-West Center, AIDS Epidemiology and Policy Workshop, Honolulu, HI.
 3 July-21 August 1991: Physician and Clinical Assistant Professor, University of Hawaii School of Medicine, Pacific Basin Medical Officers Training Program, Pohnpei State, Federated States of Micronesia.

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Senate Committee on Health

March 7, 2012

**Testimony of Loretta J. Fuddy, A.C.S.W., M.P.H.
Director of Health**

**G.M. 688, Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the Hawaii Board of
Health, Gubernatorial Nominee, Alan Katz, for a term to expire 6-30-2016**

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health strongly supports confirmation of Alan Katz to
2 serve on the Hawaii Board of Health for a term to expire on June 30, 2016.

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None

4 **Purpose and Justification:** To confirm the appointment of Alan Katz, MD to serve on the Board of
5 Health. Dr. Katz is Professor and Chair of Graduate Studies for the Department of Public Health
6 Sciences, John A Burns School of Medicine. He has been faculty member in public health for over
7 twenty years. Prior to joining the university, Dr. Katz worked as the Director of the AIDS/STD program
8 for the Department of Health and helped create the current STD/AIDS Prevention Branch.

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10 We believe that Dr. Katz' professional experience in public health and medicine will be an asset to the
11 Board. We respectfully request your expeditious and favorable consideration in confirming Alan Katz
12 to serve on the Board of Health.

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14 Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of this appointment.

March 4, 2012

TO: Senator Joshua Green
Chair, Senate Health Committee

FROM: Richard Kasuya, MD, MEd

RE: Board of Health Nominee, Dr. Alan Katz

I am writing to enthusiastically and unequivocally support Dr. Alan Katz's nomination to the State of Hawaii Board of Health. As a faculty member and administrator at the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine, I have had the privilege of working with Dr. Katz as a colleague related to issues in medical student education for over 15 years. Dr. Katz has consistently impressed me in all of our professional interactions, and I am confident he would add great value to the critically important work that the Board of Health is responsible for.

In all of our interactions, Dr. Katz has demonstrated integrity and an exceptional collaborative spirit. His willingness to listen, his openness to considering new ideas and alternate views, and his ability to share his own opinions in sensitive and thoughtful ways make him a strong contributor to any group. He always brings positive energy and thoughtful input to small group meetings, and is willing to accept responsibility for key tasks in projects. He has had a major role in helping us create a new MD-MPH program at the John A. Burns School of Medicine, University of Hawaii at Manoa, and is generous with his time teaching our medical students about important issues in populational and public health. His ability to choose language to explain concepts and principles that students understand and appreciate make him a very highly-rated teacher, and he is equally effective in communicating his ideas with his peers.

I believe these professional and personal qualities would make Dr. Katz an outstanding addition to the Board of Health. We would all benefit from his leadership, expertise and goal-directed ability to work well within a diverse group. Please feel free to contact me if I may be of any further support to Dr. Al Katz.

22 February 2012

Dear Senator Green and Members of the Senate Health Committee:

It gives me great pleasure to write this letter of recommendation for Dr. Al Katz to be confirmed as a new member of the Hawaii Board of Health. I can think of no other individual in Hawaii who is as well suited for this position as is Dr. Katz.

I have known Dr. Katz since 1989 when I was a student of his at the University of Hawaii School of Public. Though 1989 was early on in his career as a professor there, he had already established himself as perhaps the most approachable, thoughtful, and well-liked professor at the School. That reputation only grew over the years, and Dr. Katz has since been seen as the "go-to" person for questions pertaining to public health research, epidemiology, and as well as for conscientious consideration of all matters pertaining to public health policy in Hawaii. I myself often turn to him for advice on these matters, and when I do, I uniformly receive serious and thoughtful consideration of the matter at hand, despite how busy he might be in all of his other duties as professor, physician, husband and father.

Dr. Katz has an excellent fund of knowledge of public health, both theoretical and practical. But he also has a rare gift for making this knowledge easily approachable by laypeople. That combination of skills seems to me to be altogether uncommon. These are also precisely the skills needed in a person serving the State of Hawaii in this capacity. Moreover, Dr. Katz is a person of unquestionable ethical standards. And he gets along easily with people of all backgrounds and dispositions.

I have absolutely no doubt whatsoever that he will contribute to and help the Department of Health in its mission to protect and improve the health and environment for all people in Hawai'i.

Please do not hesitate to contact me either by e-mail at david@kkv.net or phone: 808-791-9400 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

David D. Derauf MD, MPH

To the Honorable Senator Green:

I am writing in support of the appointment of Dr. Alan Katz, Professor of Public Health at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, to the Board of Health. Not only is Dr. Katz a distinguished scholar in the areas of epidemiology and biostatistics, but he has long served his department as the graduate chair for their departments two master's degree programs, the Master of Public Health and the Master of Science. This role requires many hours of patient and diligent work in behalf of all of their graduate students and on behalf of their faculty as a whole. It is no coincidence that he has also been named one of our Distinguished Graduate Mentors, a rare award that recognizes only a few of our very best faculty for their dedication to the careful, scholarly supervision of both master's and doctoral students at Manoa.

Having worked with Dr. Katz for over a decade, I can also personally attest to his reliability, sensitivity, and genuine concern for doing what is best for both his students and the program as a whole, not always compatible ideals, but ones in which he is able to find the clear moral ground to do the right thing. I am not certain as to all of the duties entailed in service on the Board of Health, but if you are seeking someone who will be studious in pursuing the issues, empathic where it concerns the public, and ethical in all regards, Alan Katz is definitely someone you want to appoint.

I am at your disposal should you wish further information from me.
Please feel free to write me at this e-mail address or call me at the number below.

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Supportive Testimony
for

Alan R. Katz, M.D., MPH

It is with great honor and enthusiasm that I support the nomination of Dr. Alan R. Katz to become a member of the Hawaii State Board of Health.

I have been acquainted with Dr. Katz as a colleague and friend for over 26 years, since he joined the UH School of Public Health as faculty. Throughout his professional career, Dr. Katz has served Hawaii as a health provider and educator with his knowledge and expertise in public health, especially as an expert in Epidemiology, an area of science essential to Public Health. His credentials include being a physician, a Fellow of the American College of Epidemiology and Professor of Public Health Sciences at the University of Hawaii.

He has nurtured and trained scores of Hawaii's young men and women to serve as epidemiologists and public health professionals. Today, they are in the health workforce throughout the State, contributing their talents and efforts towards a healthier Hawaii. Most recently, he has provided the leadership in creating a MD/MPH degree at the John A. Burns School of Medicine. His efforts have always been altruistic and highly regarded by his peers.

With his impeccable academic credentials and experiences, he is qualified to advise the Director of Health in matters of public health and preventative medicine. It is anticipated that he will contribute significantly as a member of the Board of Health, with the same enthusiasm and dedication that he continues to display to whatever he undertakes.

It is without hesitation that I support the nomination of Dr. Alan R. Katz as a member of the Hawaii State Board of Health. His honesty, professionalism, experiences and genuine interest in making Hawaii a healthy place to live will be amply displayed as a member of the Board of Health.

Satoru Izutsu, PhD
Vice Dean
John A. Burns School of Medicine

3/1/2012

February 24, 2012

To: Senate Health Committee

From: Jay Maddock, PhD

RE: Nomination of Dr. Alan Katz to serve on the Board of Health

I have recently been informed that **Dr. Alan Katz** has been nominated to serve on the **Board of Health**. I am writing to express **my enthusiastic support** for his nomination. I have served on the Board of Health for the past 8 years as both the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board. Therefore, I am knowledgeable about the skills and experience necessary to effectively serve on the board. I am a Professor and Director of the Office of Public Health Studies at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. I have been fortunate to have Dr. Katz as a colleague for the past 12 years. Dr. Katz is well trained in the health field holding both an MD and MPH degree. He is also one of the few people in Hawaii that bridge both the clinical and population sides of health. Dr. Katz has a long track record of innovative research and has been recognized as one of the top graduate student mentors at UH. Most importantly, Al is a very nice and gentle hearted person. He is easy to work with and can translate even the most complex health studies into a language that everyone can understand. He is often named by our students as their favorite teacher. His personality along with his professional expertise makes him the ideal candidate for committee work. I think he will be an outstanding addition to the Board of Health and strongly encourage you to confirm his appointment.

Kathryn L. Braun, DrPH
625 Iolani Ave, #504
Honolulu, HI 96813

February 27, 2012

Dear Senator Green and members of the Senate Health Committee:

I am writing in support of the nomination of Dr. Alan Katz to the Hawai'i Board of Health. I am a Professor of Public Health in the John A. Burns School of Medicine at the University of Hawai'i, testifying as an individual.

I have worked with Dr. Katz for 20 years, as he also is a Professor of Public Health in the John A. Burns School of Medicine at the University of Hawai'i. So I can attest to his wealth of knowledge and his strength of character.

I believe that he is an excellent candidate for a position on the Hawai'i Board of Health for several specific reasons:

- Dr. Katz is trained as a physician, and has practical experience as a former community health center physician and Director of the AIDS/STD Prevention Program in the Hawai'i State Department of Health.
- Dr. Katz is trained as an epidemiologist, and has published extensively on the origin, prevention, and control of infectious disease in Hawai'i, including leptospirosis, methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA), and STDs.
- Dr. Katz has conducted research in disaster preparedness and the training of first responders.
- Dr. Katz has strong leadership skills as demonstrated by his long-term role as Graduate Chair for the University of Hawai'i's Masters of Public Health Program.

In sum, I believe that Dr. Katz's training and experience as a physician and epidemiologist provide him with the knowledge base and perspective to allow for a thorough understanding of the complex issues facing the Department of Health. He will provide outstanding service to the Hawai'i Board of Health.

Sincerely,



Kathryn L. Braun, DrPH



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Senator Josh Green, M.D., Chair
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair**

Wednesday, March 7, 2012
1:30 p.m.
Conference Room 229
Hawaii State Capitol

Testimony in Support of GM 688, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Health, Gubernatorial Nominee, Alan R. Katz, for a term to expire 6-30-2016

Bruce S. Anderson, Ph.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer
Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

Thank you for providing me with an opportunity to provide testimony in support of Alan Katz as a gubernatorial nominee for the Board of Health.

Dr. Katz has spent his entire career in public health. Early in his career, he got experience in dealing with emerging public health problems as a staff physician at Waikiki Health Center. Subsequently, as Director of the AIDS/STD program in the State Department of Health, he learned how the Department of Health functions and the challenges in providing state-wide public health services. As a professor in the Department of Public Health Sciences at the John A. Burns School of Medicine he was able to pursue research interests while teaching others what he knows about infectious disease epidemiology and public health.

I had the pleasure of working with Dr. Katz at both the Department of Health and at JABSOM. I found him to be an outstanding epidemiologist and dedicated to the implementation of best public health practices in Hawaii. His research and publications show a lifelong interest in working with Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islanders, which will be invaluable to the Board of Health as they deal with the challenges they face today.

It is without reservation that I recommend Dr. Katz to you as a nominee for the Board of Health.