

February 28, 2012

Senator Josh Green, MD
415 South Beretania St.
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 222
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

ATTN: Mailene Oakland-Tialavea

Dear Senator Green,

I am writing to express my desire to be reappointed to the State Board of Health. During the past year, I have served as a member of the State Board of Health. I believe that I have positively contributed to the Board of Health through my involvement and by sharing my 30 plus years in Hawaii's health care and public health service.

In my role as member of the Board of Health, I provide a professional and community perspective of Hawaii's public issues. I take seriously my responsibility of advising the Director of Health on public health, health care and community health concerns and issues that impact the public health of Hawaii.

As a member of the Board of Health, I hope to make an impact in improving the health of Hawaii's communities, through supporting the health department initiatives, programs and budget. My skills, knowledge and experience in the Hawaii Health Care industry provides a solid foundation for decision making that is required for the board of health.

I possess qualities and character of integrity, ability to clearly define issues and caring for the best interest of our communities. I am proud of my role in the development of Hawaii's first Hospice (St. Francis Hospice) program/service in the State of Hawaii.

In regard to potential conflict of interest, I will recuse myself if I or my fellow board members believe I have a conflict and I will seek advisement from the State Ethics Commission.

I will be glad to serve another term as a member of the State Board of Health. I hope you and your committee will be favorable to my Senate confirmation.

Sincerely,



Vincent Lee, FACHE
Regional Chief Executive Officer
Oahu Region
Hawaii Health System Corporation

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To: Senate Committee on Health

From: Tony Benabese, Manager of Boards and Commissions

Date: March 7, 2012, 1:30 P.M.
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

Re: Testimony on G.M. No. 689
Board of Health, Gubernatorial Nominee, Vincent Lee

Chair Green, Vice Chair Nishihara, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of the appointment of Vincent Lee to the Board of Health for a term to expire June 30, 2016.

Mr. Lee is presently serving as a member of the Board of Health. His nomination was presented for confirmation last session by G.M. No. 705 dated March 30, 2011. The expiration date of the term to which Mr. Lee was nominated and confirmed last year should have been June 30, 2012, and not June 30, 2015, as he was nominated in 2011, to complete the term of Dr. Drake Will who resigned from the Board of Health in 2010.

G.M. No. 689 is submitted to both correct the mistake we made in G.M. No. 705 last year, and to secure the Senate's confirmation of a full four year appointment for Mr. Lee as a member of the Board of Health through June 30, 2016.

The Governor respectfully requests that the Committee recommend and report Mr. Lee's nomination to the Board of Health, to the full Senate for its approval and confirmation.