

TESTIMONY

GM703

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Confirmation Hearing
03-12-2012

Testimony of
Roberta M. Lovely
To The
Senate Committee on Health

March, 2012

G.M. 703

The Health Planning Council, Honolulu Subarea, has a responsibility to examine and assist with Health Care Planning and the promotion of accessibility to health services that is reasonable to our community, enhance services and not jeopardize the existing system of services already in place. I have worked in the health care arena for over 30 years and have seen the many changes. There is more to come and feel I can contribute as a volunteer member of the committee.

As mentioned, I have over 30 years of health care experience in the areas of acute care with medical-surgical patients, intensive care nursing and administration, and also with long term care and nursing/hospital administration. In addition, I have been a member of various health related organizations during this period which included the American Nurses' Association, American Public Health Association and the National Renal Administrators Association. I most recently assisted with the planning and coordination of a local kidney conference with the National Kidney Foundation of Hawaii.

There are several attributes that would make me an asset to the committee: the first is listening, the second is making much effort to assimilate what I have heard and using that to make good/realistic conclusions or recommendations. The last is being able to share these thoughts with the committee members in a clear and concise manner. These attributes have helped with all areas of work and in community. This was most evident as a committee member during the kidney conference held last year in June.

I would use these attributes when working on the committee in terms of projects, reviewing any application, or during hearings.

My varied experiences in health care make me a valuable contributor to the committee when looking at the many changes/challenges facing Hawaii today. On the other side to this remains my affiliation with various health care organizations in Hawaii. There could be certificates of need that could potentially become a conflict of interest. In that event, I would follow those guidelines already established as a guide in avoiding any potential conflicts of interest. As a fellow and member of the St. Francis Healthcare System Ethics Center, these guidelines are very important to me.

Thank you for allowing me to present this to you.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
GOVERNOR OF HAWAII



LORETTA J. FUDDY, A.C.S.W., M.P.H.
DIRECTOR OF HEALTH

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In reply, please refer to:
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Senate Committee on Health

**GM 703, Gubernatorial Nominee to the Health Planning Council,
Honolulu Subarea**

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

**Monday, March 12, 2012
1:30 p.m.**

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health supports the nomination and confirmation
2 of Ms. Roberta Lovely to the Honolulu Subarea Health Planning Council (HONSAC).

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None

4 **Purpose and Justification:** The purpose is for the consideration and confirmation of
5 HONSAC Gubernatorial Nominee, Ms. Roberta Lovely. Ms. Lovely is a Special Projects
6 Administrator for Liberty Dialysis Hawaii. Prior to her current position, she worked for over
7 twenty years for St. Francis Medical Center in various capacities. She began as a staff/charge
8 nurse, assumed various administrative and management positions, and was Administrative
9 Director for the Renal Institute before joining Liberty Dialysis Hawaii. She is a member of the
10 National Kidney Foundation – Hawaii, National Renal Administrators Association, and was
11 previously a member of the American Nurses Association, Hawaii Nurses Association, and
12 American Public Health Association.

13 She has a Master of Public Health in Health Services, Administration and Planning and
14 a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of Hawaii.

- 1 We ask for your support on the confirmation of Ms. Roberta Lovely to the Honolulu
- 2 Subarea Health Planning Council.

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March 2, 2012

Senator Josh Green
Chairman Health Committee
Senatorial District 3
Hawaii State Capitol, room 222
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Honorable Josh Green:

Re: Roberta Lovely's Nomination to the Honolulu Subarea Health Planning Council
GM 703

I am writing on behalf of Ms. Roberta Lovely as a gubernatorial nominee to the Honolulu Subarea Health Planning Council. I have known Roberta for more than 10 years and found her to be an honest and thoughtful individual. We initially worked closely in the development of criteria for renal electronic medical records, selected various vendors and made site visits on the mainland. A selection was eventually made.

Roberta has worked for St. Francis Medical Center for over 30 years and held various positions in nursing and patient administration. These experiences have made her a good contributor to many committees and groups she has participated in or chaired. She is a graduate of the University of Hawaii and holds a Masters Degree in Public Health Administration and a Bachelors Degree in Nursing.

I feel her involvement in health care and being educated in Hawaii will make her a very good addition to the Council. I support her nomination to the Honolulu Subarea Health Planning Council.

Sincerely,

Jerry J. Correa, Jr.
President and Chief Executive Officer



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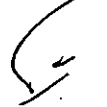
It is a pleasure to write on behalf of Ms. Roberta Lovely. You will find in this gubernatorial nominee to the Honolulu Subarea Health Planning Council an exceptional person worthy of the importance and impact of the position.

Roberta is a valued colleague, with expertise in nursing, administration, and medical and business ethics. It is in this latter category that I know her best, as she is a Fellow of The St. Francis International Center for Healthcare Ethics and a major contributor to the scholarship at our Center.

Roberta is highly competent and has many qualifications, but to my mind two stand out as surpassing strengths. They are her independence and her objectivity. An avowed team-player, she will nonetheless resist falling prey to herd mentality and group-think, nor will she be easily blinded by bias or favor. If the Planning Council seeks individuals with integrity and a willingness to speak out, as I believe it does, Roberta deserves to be at the top of the list.

Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions about this worthy nominee.

Sincerely,



S.Y. Tan, MD, JD
 Director

Testimony Letter-Friend

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Chairman Health Committee
Senatorial District 3
Hawaii State Capitol, room 222
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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GM 703

Honorable Josh Green:

I am writing to you as a personal friend of Ms. Roberta Lovely who is subject to confirmation of her appointment by Governor Abercrombie to the Honolulu Subarea Health Planning Council GM 703. I feel that Roberta would be a tremendous asset to this group and therefore in great support of her nomination for this position.

I have known Roberta for more than 44 years and found her to be honest, ethical, kind, and reliable, as well as, a true friend. I respect her fresh, conceptual thinking, and her great sense of humor. She has a hearty laugh.

We obtained our Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing degree from the University of Hawaii Manoa in 1971. Since our graduation, she has been with St. Francis Medical Center holding various positions there over a 30 year period. She cares deeply for people and works collaboratively with others to get things done.

I strongly feel the Honolulu Subarea Health Planning Council GM 703 would truly gain an excellent member and encourage you to confirm her appointment.

Sincerely,
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