

TESTIMONY

GM714

**HTH
Confirmation Hearing
03-14-2012**

Maureen K. Naganuma
2535 Kahekili Hwy
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

February 28, 2012

The Honorable Josh Green
Hawaii State Senator
Health Committee Chair
Members of the Senate Health Committee

Reference: GM #714

Dear Senator Green and HTH Members,

I am seeking your confirmation of my nomination to the SPHDA Tri Subarea Council, representing the islands of Maui, Molokai and Lanai. I have been in the healthcare industry in Hawaii for almost 40 yrs, working as a Registered Nurse in acute care hospitals and dialysis programs. My job experiences in the capacity of staff nurse, manager, supervisor, Director and administrative roles will enhance my ability to best serve as a member of SHPDA. With years in the healthcare field, I have experienced and participated in many changes in medicine, technology, Medicare regulations and the healthcare industries thus feel that I am qualified to represent Maui County on the Tri Isle SAC. In my work, I have worked with SHPDA as a healthcare provider and particularly understand the CON process.

I have been a resident of Maui since 1974, working with many healthcare organizations in the County. I have visited many of the communities in Maui County, collaborated with various organizations, providers, contractors and community principals. I have come to understand the community's quest and need for accessibility and improved health services. One example is working with the State and Maui County government departments, the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) officials and the residents of Hana, Maui to establish a communal home dialysis program in the remote community of Hana. This successful program took many hours and many hands to provide a home dialysis program so Hana patients would be able to continue to dialyze in their community and eliminate the difficult 5 hour road trip for dialysis treatments three times a week. Of significance, the Hana communal home dialysis program is the first in the United States with CMS involvement and approval.

Mahalo for your time and I humbly request your approval of my nomination to the Tri Isle Subarea council.

Sincerely,


Maureen K. Naganuma, R.N.

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 714, Gubernatorial Nominee to the Health Planning Council,
Tri-Isle Subarea**

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

**Wednesday, March 14, 2012
1:30 p.m.**

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health supports the nomination and confirmation
2 of Maureen Naganuma to the Tri-Isle Subarea Health Planning Council.

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None

4 **Purpose and Justification:** The purpose is for the consideration and confirmation to the Tri-
5 Isle Subarea Health Planning Council (TISAC), Gubernatorial Nominee, Maureen Naganuma.
6 Ms. Naganuma has over 40 years of experience in the nursing arena. For over three decades,
7 she served as a registered nurse. She is now the Director of Project Development with Liberty
8 Dialysis Hawaii. Ms. Naganuma is active in the community, serving on the Makana
9 Foundation organ donor registry; March of Dimes; and Special Olympics.

10 We ask for your support on the confirmation of Maureen Naganuma, enabling her to
11 continue to serve on the Tri-Isle Subarea Health Planning Council.

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February 28, 2012

Senator Josh Green, Chair
Members of the Senate Health Committee
Hawaii State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street, Room 222
Honolulu, HI 96813
Via Fax: 808-586-9391

Re: GM#714 (Maureen Naganuma)

Dear Senator Green and members of the Senate Health Committee:

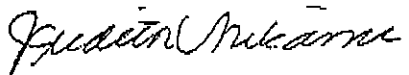
I am submitting my letter of support for Maureen Naganuma who has been nominated as a member to the Tri Isle State Health Planning and Development Agency (SHPDA) Council. As a member, Ms. Naganuma would represent Maui County and would benefit Maui County based on her experience in the health care field.

I have known Ms. Naganuma for several years because of my involvement in establishing dialysis services for Molokai with the Molokai community. Ms. Naganuma brings a breadth of experience in the area of renal dialysis, beginning as a registered nurse in various capacities at St. Francis Medical Center, especially in the management and administration of the dialysis program. In 1975, Ms. Naganuma established Maui Island's first in-center and home dialysis programs through St. Francis, expanding these services to another center in West Maui.

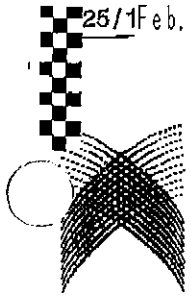
Currently, Ms. Naganuma is the Director of Project Development for Liberty Dialysis Hawaii, who took over dialysis operations from St. Francis in 2006. She has supported the Molokai community by working with the dialysis providers and community leaders and other medical personnel to ensure that dialysis services are maintained at a level of quality for those receiving dialysis. She performs this role throughout the state of Hawaii in this capacity. We are fortunate to have a health care professional such as Ms. Naganuma who supports dialysis services throughout the state.

I strongly support Ms. Naganuma's nomination to the Tri Isle SHPDA Council and appreciate her willingness to serve our communities and our state.

Sincerely,


Judith Mikami, RN, MPH
Associate Director
Na Pu'uwai Native Hawaiian Health Care System

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Senator Josh Green
Chairman, Committee on Health
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February 28, 2012

RE: Nomination of Maureen Naganuma, R.N. to SHPDA Tri Isle Council (GM #714)

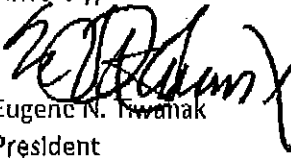
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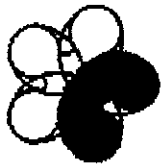
I strongly recommend the confirmation of Maureen Naganuma, R.N. to the State Health Planning and Development Agency Tri Isle Council.

As a former executive of St. Francis Healthcare System of Hawaii, over the course of some 30 years, I had the opportunity to work closely with Ms. Naganuma in the planning of several significant medical treatment projects which provided for the care of hemodialysis patients throughout the islands. Of special note are the development of new dialysis treatment centers on Maui in Wailuku (1975; expansion in 1988), Lahaina (1995), and in Kaunakakai, Molokai (2000). St. Francis also called on her experience and professionalism in planning new dialysis treatment units on Oahu, Hawaii Island, and Kauai. With Ms. Naganuma's assistance, at the turn of the 21st century, St. Francis was instrumental in providing life-saving dialysis treatments for some 1,000 island patients and tourists in quality facilities throughout the island chain.

Maureen Naganuma, R.N. exemplifies the spirit of "caring for Hawaii's people". I strongly recommend approval of her nomination to the SHPDA council.

Sincerely,


Eugene N. Tiwanak
President



**National Kidney
Foundation**
of HAWAII

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January 11, 2012

Senator Josh Green, Chair
Members of the Senate Health Committee
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Fax: 808-586-9391

Re:Gubernatorial Nominee to the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea – GM714

Dear Senator Green,

I am honored to recommend Maureen Naganuma, R.N. as Gubernatorial Nominee to the Tri-Isle Subarea Health Planning Council (TISAC). Maureen has over 40 years of experience in nursing, hospital management and in dialysis. She is now the Director of Project Development with Liberty Dialysis-Hawaii. Ms. Naganuma has years of community service, on the Makana Foundation organ donor registry; March of Dimes; National Kidney Foundation, Kidney Disease in the Pacific conferences and Special Olympics.

Her work with the National Kidney Foundation of Hawaii has enabled us to deliver three conferences to insure that our health care providers have the most current information to care for our community. She worked tirelessly in her spare time to assist in the presentation of these conferences. This is just one small example of her dedication to our community. I do not believe you could find a better candidate for this position.

I ask for your support on the confirmation of Maureen Naganuma, enabling her to continue to serve on the Tri-Isle Subarea Health Planning Council.

Sincerely,

Glen Hayashida
CEO, NKFH

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March 9, 2012

Senator Josh Green, Chair
Members of the Senate Health Committee
415 South Beretania Street, Room 222
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: GB #714 (Maureen Naganuma)

Honorable Chair Josh Green:

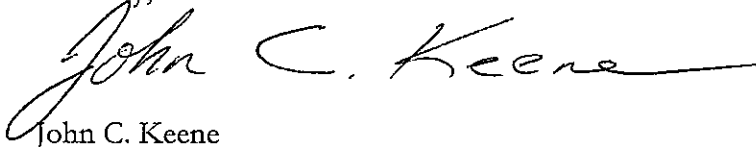
I am pleased to write this letter of recommendation for Ms. Maureen Naganuma in consideration of her acceptance to the Tri-Isle Sub Area Health Planning Council. I know Ms. Naganuma both professionally and personally.

Ms. Naganuma has more than 40 years of experience as a registered nurse. Her leadership skills, comprehensive understanding of Hawaii's health care industry, and proven ability to deliver quality health care services to the people of Hawaii make her more than qualified to fulfill the requirements of a Tri-Isle Sub Area Health Planning Council member.

I strongly support Ms. Naganuma's nomination and humbly request for your consideration and confirmation of her appointment to the Tri-Isle Sub Area Health Planning Council. I am confident you will find Ms. Naganuma to be one of its greatest assets.

Thank you very much for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,



John C. Keene
Hawaii State Health Planning and Development Agency
Windward Oahu Subarea Health Planning Council
Member

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Jan Yagi Buen
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March 1, 2012

The Honorable Josh Green
Hawaii State Senator
Health Committee Chair
Members of the Senate Health Committee
415 South Beretania Street, Room 222
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Reference GM #714

Dear Senator Green and Members,


I am honored to ask for your recommendation of GM #714, Maureen Naganuma, to the SHPDA Subarea Council as a Maui member.

Ms. Naganuma has dedicated her life to healthcare and the residents of Maui, as well as thousands of families in the entire State of Hawaii has benefited from her work. She is a Registered Nurse who cared for dialysis patients; assisted the Sisters of St. Francis with improving dialysis care; and developed dialysis centers throughout the State of Hawaii.

Maureen Naganuma will be a tremendous asset to SHPDA, as she understands our healthcare needs and is committed to volunteer her time and energy to making Hawaii a healthier place for all.

I ask for your vote in recommending Maureen Naganuma out of your committee and your vote for her confirmation on the floor.

Sincerely,



Jan Yagi Buen
Waihee, Maui

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From: Patrick Saka [patrick.saka@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2012 1:53 PM
To: HTHTestimony
Subject: Testimony for GM714 - SUPPORT

Senator Josh Green, Chairman

Senate Health Committee

State Capitol

March 12, 2012

Aloha Senator Green:

Re: GM714 – Maureen Naganuma, nominee for consideration and confirmation to the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea, Gubernatorial Nominee, MAUREEN NAGANUMA, for a term to expire 6-30-2015.

I am submitting this letter of support for Mrs. Naganuma, nominee for the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea.

Mrs. Naganuma has over 45 years of experience in the healthcare industry, as a practicing Registered Nurse, Nurse Manager, Administrator and Project Director.

She has been a very strong advocate of the provision of quality healthcare for the community, most recently focusing in the area of dialysis services, as Director of Project Development for Liberty Dialysis Hawaii

As a resident of Maui, she has a very thorough understanding of the needs of her community, but she is also uniquely qualified to bring a statewide perspective, as her responsibilities with St. Francis and Liberty Dialysis Hawaii covered the entire state of Hawaii.

As a past member of the Statewide Health Coordinating Council from June 2000 until May 2008, I can see that Mrs. Naganuma would be a tremendous asset to Tri-Isle Subarea Health Planning Council and am sure she would serve actively and passionately in this position.

Very truly yours,

Patrick Saka

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