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March 7, 2012

Senator Josh Green, M.D.
Chairman, Health Committee
Senatorial District 3
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 222
Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: Support Jill Tamashiro (GM# 719) for WOSAP Council, Hearing: 3/12/12, 1:30 p.m.

Dear Senator Green,

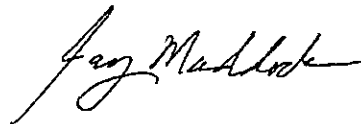
As the Director of the University of Hawaii Office of Public Health Studies (UH OPHS), I am writing to support the senate confirmation of **Jill Tamashiro's** appointment to the **West Oahu Subarea Health Planning Council**.

I have known Ms. Tamashiro for approximately four years beginning in 2008, when she officially enrolled as a student in the Master of Public Health (MPH) program at the University of Hawaii. Throughout her academic training, Ms. Tamashiro demonstrated active and thoughtful participation in class and was conscientious in the completion of assignments. In December 2010, she graduated with a MPH with an emphasis in the social and behavioral health sciences and certificates in maternal and child health (2010) and gerontology (2004). In April 2011, she was inducted into the Delta Omega Honorary Society in Public Health for her outstanding scholastic performance and exemplified commitment to public health and community service.

Outside the classroom, Ms. Tamashiro has contributed to the delivery of important services at various non-profit health organizations throughout the State. Currently, Ms. Tamashiro's employment at the Hawaii State Department of Health, Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Program continues to increase her skills and knowledge base regarding Hawaii's pressing health issues, as well as the government policies that provide for these valuable statewide programs.

I am confident that Jill Tamashiro will be a positive and well-rounded contributor to the West Oahu Subarea Health Planning Council and I highly support her confirmation.

Sincerely,



Jay Maddock, PhD