# GM747 JAEDA ELVENIA

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Board of

Measure Title:

Nursing, Gubernatorial Nominee, JAEDA ELVENIA, for a term to expire

6-30-2016.

Report Title:

State Board of Nursing

Description:

Companion:

Package:

Current Referral: CPN

Introducer(s):

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2/22/2012	S	Received.
2/22/2012	S	Referred to CPN.
3/9/2012	S	The committee(s) on CPN has scheduled a public hearing on 03-22-12 9:30AM in conference room 229.



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## TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

### TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2012

Thursday, March 22, 2012 9:30 a.m.

#### **TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 747.**

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Lee Ann Teshima and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Nursing, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 747, regarding the **reappointment** of Jaeda Elvenia to the Board of Nursing ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Ms. Elvenia's appointment to the Board.

Ms. Elvenia has served on the Board since her initial appointment in July 2009. She is seeking her second term as a registered nurse member representing Kauai County. She has been licensed as a Hawaii registered nurse since September 1984 and her license is current, active, and in good standing.

Ms. Elvenia is a reliable member and has attended 29 of 33 meetings. Currently, Ms. Elvenia serves as a member on the Board's Practice Committee and has

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represented the Board at the National Council of State Boards of Nursing meetings and conferences. She is prepared for meetings and participates in discussions. In addition, her many years of experience as a practicing registered nurse as well as a Board member for the last three years has made Ms. Elvenia an invaluable member who is well respected by her fellow Board members.

The Department believes that Ms. Elvenia's interest in serving on the Board, her experience in the profession, and her desire to contribute to the community will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the Board.

Therefore, the Department supports the confirmation of Jaeda Elvenia to the Board of Nursing and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

Testimony for CPN 3/22/2012 9:30:00 AM GM747

Conference room: 229

Testifier position: Support Testifier will be present: No

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Comments:

February 13, 2012

Governor's Message (GM) Number is 462

Dear Senator Baker,

It is an honor to be considered by the Senate of the Twenty-Fifth State Legislature for appointment to the State Board of Nursing. My desire to be a member of the State of Hawaii Board of Nursing is driven by my commitment to community. I have reviewed the Hawaii Revised Statutes chapter 457; I know that my contributions of knowledge and experience to the fulfillment of those duties would be beneficial. I believe that my experiences gained through various work venues has provided a well-rounded look on the profession of nursing as it relates to the safe delivery of care to our general public.

My perception of the role and responsibility as a member of this board is to provide oversight of professional nursing practice in Hawaii. In order to safeguard life and health, any person practicing as a nurse in this State is required to meet the minimum qualifications of knowledge and competence. Oversight is required for any profession where the provision of care is the basis of their business.

I am a graduate of the University of Hawaii. My undergraduate work and clinical instruction was obtained at the Kauai Community College. I later earned a Master's degree in nursing with a specialty in clinical systems management.

I am licensed to practice as a registered nurse in Hawaii. I have worked as a clinical bedside nurse for most of my nursing career. I have maintained my clinical competencies by continuing to provide patient care at the bedside. My special interests include difficult intravenous access and stabilization of fragile neonates. I have good problem solving skills; I am able to assess situations and work towards finding solutions that are appropriate and practical. I currently work as a clinical nurse manager on a medical/surgical/obstetrical unit. I enjoy my work and feel a great responsibility to the public to prepare our future nurses in a environment which nurtures our current nurses. The ultimate goal is for care to be delivered safely and reliably.

My strengths lie in my ability to organize; I am task oriented and have good prioritization skills. I am able to communicate and work well with my staff, peers, and supervisors. I have a command of the English language. In my role as manager, I am frequently called upon to participate in public relations to represent my employers and company. I am able to communicate effectively with community sources. I have found it essential to form alliances through networking with acquaintances from other companies to benefit the projects that I am involved with. As an administrator, I learned to appreciate the need for regulatory compliance and the various agencies that provide oversight to health care industries such as: The State Department of Health, The Joint Commission, Centers for Medicare, and Medicaid services.

It is with great enthusiasm that I submit this letter of continued interest to serve as a member of the state of Hawai'i board of nurses for the 2012-2015 term.

Sincerely,

Jaeda R. Elvenia RNC MSN