

**GM 826**

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Testimony

TESTIMONY OF NANCY MCPHERSON, CITIZEN  
BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE IN SUPPORT OF

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Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Agriculture, Gubernatorial Nominee, **LYNN DECOITE**, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

April 12, 2012

Chair Nishihara, Vice-Chair Kahele, and Members of the Committee:

As a resident of Molokai and citizen of Hawai'i nei who supports sustainable agriculture for food security and a stronger economic future for our state, I strongly support Governor Abercrombie's nomination of Ms. Lynn DeCoite to serve on the Board of Agriculture.

Ms. DeCoite is a community leader who has dedicated countless hours advocating for agricultural and other issues that matter to the people of Molokai as well as to citizens of the entire state. As the former planning staffer to the Molokai Planning Commission, while she served as a Molokai Planning Commissioner I found her interests to be deep as well as broad, her knowledge of the island and people of Molokai to be profound, and her dedication to an ongoing future for agriculture in these islands to be limitless.

Ms. DeCoite's knowledge of farming and the agricultural community, based on her own success as well as her assistance to other farmers, will be an asset to the Board of Agriculture. She is tireless, diligent, and well informed. I respectfully request your favorable consideration of this nomination.

Mahalo, Nancy McPherson

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