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I am in favor of the Auditor to Perform a sunrise analysis of the regulation of the Profession of Music Therapy. I believe this will assist the public in finding a therapist that is trained in their field, and has some kind of certification.

I am also in favor of other board certified therapists in the field of music, including Therapeutic Harp Practitioners, who are also trained and accredited by a national board, The" National Standards Board for Therapeutic Musicians", www.therapeuticmusician.com, ,to be recognized as therapists providing musical services of a therapeutic nature, that are safe for the public. One of our Core instructors has been president of the Music Therapy Association. However, I realize, this is probably not in the scope of your current bill. However, as a graduate of the International Harp Therapy Program, I am an accredited therapeutic musician who knows the value of this bill. I am also a former Speech and Language Pathologist, who benefitted from regulation by the state for my services until I retired in 2009.

Sincerely,
Jan-Joy Sax

Amy Luke

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Conference room: 423
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: virginia arnold
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Submitted on: 3/30/2012

Comments:

Music therapy has been instrumental in helping my daughter with Down's Syndrome express her thoughts and feelings. I hope to see this program expanding for the special needs community....thankyou

Amy Luke

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Submitted by: Christine
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Comments:

Music therapy at Sounding Joy Music Therapy has been the most effective mode of treatment for my child. Hawaii disabled individuals benefit by tapping into the power of healing power of music therapy . I support this measure.

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Testimony from a father of an autistic child:

10/23/2012
3/30/2012

The Past

With intense behavior and emotional concerns of autism compounded by early childhood emotional and physical abuse. Self abuse which included hitting his head on hard surfaces, pulling his hair out and chewing on fingernails, toenails and his bleeding mouth or lips. Also utterances of groaning and moaning expressing emotional miseries with distraught facial expressions.

As a desperate single parent searching for help and seeking answers, a suggestion of music therapy was introduced around 2004 -- 7 years ago, Keiko Kajiwara was sought.

Good morning, I am now the contented father of Mark Shiraki who was diagnosed with autism at age 2.

Ms. Keiko arrived with her portable keyboard. She brought her talent, knowledge, patience and a heart motivated to bring healing to my son. Week after week, she came, with the initial sessions filled with moments of behavior outbursts coupled with Mark's sitting calmly with Ms. Keiko at the keyboard. Music brought calmness into Mark's troubled life. This continued during Mark's middle school years.

As I look back, this was one of many remarkable methods employed which laid the foundation for Mark through his high school years and up to the present and on to his future.

Achievements

Honor roll in High School

In High School, he ran cross country for 4 years. An OC16 news clip in 2005. Attended several regular education classes, participated in many Senior functions including the Senior Prom, then graduated in 2009.

Discovered his interest in plants.

At the end of 2009, he was given the opportunity to open and manage his own plant business which was featured in Midweek 2011. He is the owner of this business called F.R.E.E. which is Feeling Real to Experience Earth.

You can find him at Kaiser High School every other Saturday selling his leather leaf ferns.

Thank you, Ms. Keiko and those supporting Sounding Joy Music Therapy, for your part in setting and providing the initial foundation that has brought Mark to this place in his life.

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