Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology

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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE Regular Session of 2013

Friday, March 1, 2013 9:00 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 514.

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

My name is Candace Ito and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 514, regarding the appointment of June M. Uyehara-Isono, AuD., to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Uyehara-Isono's appointment to the Board.

Dr. Uyehara-Isono has served on the Board as an interim member since July 2, 2012 and is being appointed as a licensee member. She has been licensed as an audiologist since July 9, 1979, and her license is current, active and in good standing.

Since her interim appointment there have been two Board meetings.

Dr. Uyehara-Isono attended one meeting and actively participated in discussions. Her experience as a former member on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers enabled her to transition into her role on the Board as a licensee member. With her more than thirty years of experience, Dr. Uyehara-Isono brings to the Board her knowledge of the field of audiology. Dr. Uyehara-Isono's experience as an audiologist and her desire to contribute to the community is an asset to the Board.

The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Uyehara-Isono to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

TESTIMONY OF ROBERT TOYOFUKU IN SUPPORT OF THE NOMINATION OF JUNE UYEHARA-ISONO TO THE BOARD OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

March 1, 2013

To: Chairperson Rosalyn Baker and Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection:

My name is Bob Toyofuku and I am submitting this testimony in support of the nomination of June Uyehara-Isono as the gubernatorial nominee to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology.

I have known Dr. Uyehara-Isono for over a year and am confident that she will be an excellent member of the Board. She is noted for her competence, hard work, and also her dedication to community service. Dr. Uyehara-Isono is regarded as one of the best professionals in her field and treats others in a professional manner. I am confident that she will be a great asset to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology and I strongly support her nomination to this Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

STATEMENT OF JUNE UYEHARA-ISONO

(1) Why do you wish to be a member of the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology?

I have been involved in the DCCA on several boards, including Hearing aid dealers and fitters and also Electricians and Plumbers. I have volunteered my time as a service to the state of Hawaii.

(2) How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of a member of the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology?

As a Board certified Audiologist I believe I bring to the table necessary qualifications in the field of Audiology. I have been in private practice for 30 years and understand the DCCA system

(3) Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities as a member of the Board, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise or knowledge that would aid in your decision-making ability as a member of the Board.

Please see above

(4) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

Assist in making sure that the licensure laws of the State of Hawaii for Audiology follow and adhere to the guidelines set by the scope of practice and requirements for licensure

- (5) Name three qualities that best describe you and how will these qualities benefit the Board?
- Experience in the DCCA system including chairing and participating in Boards, current clinician in Audiology for 30 years
- (6) Name a previous experience you've had that will be beneficial as a Board member?

 Past experience as a DCCA board chairman and member
- (7) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interests that could arise during your service on the Board? How would you overcome any possible conflicts of interest?

Recusing oneself from potential conflicts of interest