

LATE TESTIMONY



February 26, 2013, 2:45 p.m., Conference Room 224, Hawaii State Capitol

To: Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental & Military Affairs (PSM)
Senator Will Espero, Chair
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair

From: Maunalua Hawaiian Civic Club
Kitty Muller Simonds, Pelekikena (President)

Re: GM 583 Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Paroling Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee, ANNELLE AMARAL, for a term to expire 6-30-2015.

In Support

Chairs and Committee Members:

The Hawaii Paroling Authority is an independent, quasi-judicial body consisting of three persons appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the State Senate. The Authority has the important role of protecting the community and integrating an inmate into the community by fixing an appropriate minimum term of imprisonment, granting or denying parole, revoking parole and supervising the inmate on parole.

Annelle Amaral has the experience and commitment for this position. She understands the judicial system through her employment as a motor-patrol officer with the Honolulu Police Department and as a private investigator with Corniel & Associates. She also understands the needs of the community through her work as an assistant administrator with the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, which entailed community liaison; as a program administrator at the YWCA on Richard Street; as a legislator with the State of Hawai'i House of Representatives, vice chairing the Judiciary and Housing Committees and Chairing the Women's Legislative Caucus, which created the legislative agenda related to women's and Native Hawaiian issues and integrated community response into legislation; as a coordinator for the Coalition Against Sexual Assault; as a special projects coordinator on domestic violence with the Legal Aid Society of Hawai'i; and as a consultant for community facilitation, coordination and strategic planning, among others.

It is in this latter capacity that the Maunalua Civic Club worked with Ms. Amaral on a number of community-based projects. She is the Hope Pelekikena Mua (1st Vice President) of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Club. She is always well prepared and continually demonstrates high moral standards.

Her performance on the Hawai'i Paroling Authority, should she be confirmed, will undoubtedly be exemplary.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.

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January 20, 2013

Honorable Senator Will Espero, Chair
And Members of the Senate Committee
on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 231
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96817

RE: Letter of **SUPPORT** to Confirm Ms. Annelle Amaral to the Hawai'i Paroling Authority

Aloha Chair Espero, Vice-Chair Rosalyn Baker, and Members of the Committee:

My Name is Daniel Lyman, on behalf of the Kalaeloa Heritage and Legacy Foundation, I offer our strong support for Governor Abercrombie's nomination of Ms. Annelle Amaral to the Hawai'i Paroling Authority.

Our organization has had the opportunity to work with Ms. Amaral on several occasions and in doing so; we find Ms. Amaral to possess the capability, skills and knowledge necessary to carry out the duties and responsibilities of serving on the Hawaii Paroling Authority.

As a former Police officer and as a member of Hawaii State Representative she has a solid understanding of our state laws, and possesses the dedication, and compassion needed to fulfill the duties of this position.

The Kalaeloa Heritage and Legacy Foundation respectfully urges this committee to recommend, to the full Senate, the confirmation of Ms. Annelle Amaral to the Hawai'i Paroling Authority.

Aloha Pumehana,

Daniel Lyman
Director KHL Foundation

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