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Statement of
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before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Wednesday, April 3, 2013
1:16 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224

in consideration of
GM 720

**Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Sister State Committee,
Gubernatorial Nominee, JUSTIN MICHAEL IKAIKA ANDERSON,
for a term to expire 6-30-2014**

Chair English, Vice Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Senate Committee on
Transportation and International Affairs.

The Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism strongly supports the
nomination of Mr. Justin Michael Ikaika Anderson to the Hawaii Sister State Committee. Mr.
Anderson was nominated by the Hawaii State Association of Counties.

Members of the Hawaii Sister State Committee are responsible for developing and
evaluating recommendations for all sister-state or province relationships, and forwarding their
recommendations to the Legislature. They are also responsible for periodically evaluating
established sister-state relationships.

The ideal candidate for the Sister State Committee would have a broad range of
international experience, including overseas travel. The candidate should also have a strong
interest in, and support the development of, Hawaii as an international global leader, especially
through DBEDT's Office of International Affairs (OIA).

Mr. Anderson is superbly qualified to be a member of the Committee. He has a sustained
career as a senior staff member in the State Legislature and as a City Council member since

2009, serves in a leadership position as the Floor Leader of the Honolulu City Council and Chairman of the Council's Planning Committee.

Mr. Anderson has given generously of his time to serve on the boards of Hawaii organizations that have a strong focus on activities similar to that of our Office of International Affairs – education, environment and inter-governmental relations.

In summation, Mr. Anderson can provide outstanding service to the Hawaii Sister State Committee, and the Committee would be extremely fortunate to have him as a member. I urge you to give his nomination your strongest consideration.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.



KO'OLAUPOKO HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUB

March 28, 2013

Senator J. Kalani English, Chair / And Members
Senate Committee on Transportation and International Affairs
Hawai'i State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street, Room 205
Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: GM720 – Testimony in Support of J. M. IKAIKA ANDERSON
For the Hawai'i Sister State Committee

Aloha Chair English and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club, I wish to offer our support for the appointment of Justin Michael Ikaika Anderson to a seat on the Hawai'i Sister State Committee.

The Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club represents the nine ahupua'a around Kane'ohe bay from Kane'ohe to Kualoa. We have known Ikaika since he first became active in our community and when he ran for office as a city councilmember, representing our district in Ko'olaupoko.

Mr. Anderson is keenly interested in improving local, state, national and international relations and expends much of his time working to build positive partnerships and relationships within the many government and community activities in which he is involved.

His energy and positive spirit will be helpful to this sister state committee, and will hopefully help spread the Aloha Spirit to the many other nations, states and communities which will be considered by this committee.

Mahalo for this opportunity to share our mana'o.

Me kealoha pumehana,

ALICE P. HEWETT
President

GM720

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Victor T. Kimura	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Senator Kalani English, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, I am providing testimony in support of GM720, with the appointment of Mr. Justin Michael Ikaika Anderson to the position of the Hawaii Sister State Commission for your consideration. Mr. Anderson, is well suited and qualified to serve this valuable commission, in coordinating and supporting initiatives which are important to the State and City & County governments. I hope that the Senate Committee will favorably consider his appointment to the Commission. Victor T. Kimura

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STATE LEGISLATURE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL
AFFAIRS,
SENATOR KALANI ENGLISH, CHAIR

DEAR SENATOR ENGLISH:

MY NAME IS ELIZABETH RICE GROSSMAN AND I LIVE IN KAILUA. I STRONGLY
SUPPORT COUNCILMEMBER IKAIKA ANDERSON'S NOMINATION TO GOVERNOR
ABERCROMBIE'S HAWAII SISTER STATE COMMITTEE.

I HAVE KNOWN MR. ANDERSON FOR QUITE A LONG TIME, HAVING MET HIM
WHEN HE WAS ON THE STAFF OF COUNCILMEMBER BARBARA MARSHALL. I
HAVE ALWAYS FOUND HIM TO BE RESPONSIVE, VERY WELL PREPARED, AND A
GOOD LISTENER. HE'S COLLABORATIVE AND A GREAT PARTNER WITH STRONG
LEADERSHIP SKILLS. HIS ABILITY TO FORM STRONG RELATIONSHIPS HAS
SERVED OUR DISTRICT AND I AM VERY PROUD TO SUPPORT HIS NOMINATION.

RESPECTFULLY,


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March 30, 2013

Senator Kalani English
Chair
Transportation and Internal Affairs Committee
Hawaii State Capital, Room 224
Honolulu, Hi 96813

Re: Councilmember Ikaika Anderson's nomination by Governor Abercrombie

Dear Senator,

Thank you for allowing me to support Mr. Anderson's nomination to the Hawaii Sister State Committee, allowing him to advise the Governor and the legislature on matters relating to sister-state or province relations between the states or provinces of foreign countries.

I am a member of the Waimanalo Neighborhood Board since June 1990 and its Chair since June 1994, but, I would like to provide my support as an individual and resident of the community of Waimanalo, having resided here for most of my life. I speak for myself and not for the Neighborhood Board.

I have worked with Mr. Anderson on all issues and challenges in our community, and, with many of the solutions and accomplishments he has provided us with city projects and improvements, financial support and as beneficiaries of his leadership through the City Council.

Mr. Anderson has always been a man of trust, honesty and integrity in all of his dealings with residents and members of our community. As a future member of the Sister State Committee, his ability to communicate with diplomats and leaders of other States and countries will be a plus for the Governor's team. We are proud to support your efforts to confirm him to this position of service.

He is highly respected in our community and I offer you my approval of this nomination for Mr. Anderson.

Respectfully,



Wilson Kekoa Ho
Waimanalo resident