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**Friday, February 8, 2013 – 9:00am**  
**Conference Room 229**

**The Senate Committee on Health**

To: Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair  
Senator Brickwood Galuteria, Vice Chair

From: Art Gladstone  
Chief Nurse Executive  
Chief Operating Officer – Straub Clinic & Hospital

Re: **Testimony in Strong Support of SB 198 Relating to Advanced Practice Registered Nurses**

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My name is Art Gladstone, Chief Nurse Executive for Hawai'i Pacific Health (HPH) and Chief Operating Officer for Straub Clinic & Hospital. HPH is a nonprofit health care system and the state's largest health care provider anchored by its four nonprofit hospitals: Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women & Children, Pali Momi Medical Center, Straub Clinic & Hospital and Wilcox Memorial Hospital on Kauai. HPH is committed to providing the highest quality medical care and service to the people of Hawai'i and the Pacific Region through its four affiliated hospitals, 49 outpatient clinics and service sites, more than 5,400 employees and 1,300 physicians on staff.

Hawai'i Pacific Health is writing in support of SB 198 which amends Section 457-8.5(a) by recognizing the National Council of State Boards of Nursing's APRN Consensus Model (Model) and clarifying language relating to APRN educational requirements consistent with that Model.

Currently nurses can only be recognized as APRNs if they have a Master's degree in nursing. This precludes nurses who earn their Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) and other nationally recognized clinical doctorates in nursing. Amending Section 457-8.5(a)(4) addresses this issue and will put Hawai'i in sync with the rest of the Nation and the National Council of State Boards of Nursing APRN Consensus Model.

We ask for your help and support in passing SB 198 from this committee. Thank you.



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**The Senate Committee on Health**

To: Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair  
Senator Brickwood Galuteria, Vice Chair

From: Brigitte McKale  
Vice President of Patient Services and Chief Nurse Executive

Re: **SB 198 RELATING TO MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDERS - Testimony in Strong Support**

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My name is Brigitte McKale, Vice President of Patient Services & Chief Nurse Executive for Pali Momi Medical Center. Pali Momi Medical Center is a nonprofit hospital located in West O'ahu. It is dedicated to the health and well-being of all Hawai'i residents. With 126 beds and more than 370 physicians on its medical staff, Pali Momi offers a full range of services. It has delivered many medical firsts for the community, including West O'ahu's only interventional cardiac catheterization unit to detect and treat heart disease, a fully integrated minimally invasive surgical suite, CT scan and MRI services, emergency services, a Women's Center, and the state's first Retina Center. Pali Momi is the only medical facility in Hawai'i that utilizes a team triage approach in its Emergency Room, where patients are promptly evaluated by an emergency physician. The American Heart Association has recognized the hospital for excellence in the treatment of coronary artery disease and heart failure, one of only a few hospitals in the nation. Pali Momi was founded in 1989 and is an affiliate of Hawai'i Pacific Health, the state's largest health care provider.

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