

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3424

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 15 2014

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 622

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 622, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

ADVISORY BOARD ON VETERANS' SERVICES

G.M. No. 622 RACHEL JAMES,
for a term to expire 6-30-2017,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Rachel James to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Advisory Board on Veterans' Services.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Rachel James from the State Office of Veterans Services, Armed Services YMCA of Honolulu, and ten individuals.

Rachel James, a United States Navy veteran, works as a constituent services liaison for United States Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard and as a housing and intake specialist for Catholic Charities Hawaii Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program. She works directly with homeless and at-risk veterans to secure permanent housing; collaborates with community and veteran service organizations and various government agencies; and coordinates community outreach opportunities for Congresswoman Gabbard. Ms. James is also a member of the Hawaii Women Military Veterans Task Force, a subcommittee of the Advisory Board on Veterans' Services, and the Kuleana Microlending Board. She received a Master's

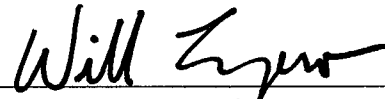


degree in Global Leadership and Sustainable Development-Community Development from Hawaii Pacific University; a Bachelor's degree in Business-Accounting from the University of Phoenix; and an Associate's degree in Psychology from Cochise College.

Ms. James is described as a consummate professional with a strong work ethic. Her work with veteran and community service providers provides Ms. James with perspective in addressing the concerns of the State's veterans. Your Committee finds that Ms. James' diverse background of service, commitment to veterans, and genuine passion will benefit and add to the overall expertise of the Advisory Board on Veterans' Services.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Public Safety,
Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs,

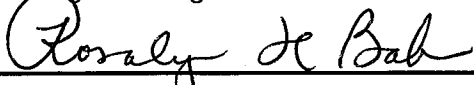


WILL ESPERO, Chair



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Governor's Message No.:* GM 622	Committee Referral: PSM	Date: 4/10/2014		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340 <input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
ESPERO, Will (C)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			✓ RB
TOTAL	4	-	-	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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