

# **GM 548**

**Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Civil  
Defense Advisory Council, Gubernatorial Nominee,  
RICHARD MINATOYA, for a term to expire 6-30-18.**

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR MESSAGE 548  
SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO  
THE CIVIL DEFENSE ADVISORY COUNCIL  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, RICHARD MINATOYA  
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2018

PRESENTATION TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

BY

MAJOR GENERAL DARRYLL D. M. WONG  
STATE ADJUTANT GENERAL AND DIRECTOR OF STATE CIVIL DEFENSE  
March 6, 2014

Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker, and Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety,  
Intergovernmental and Military Affairs:

I am Major General Darryll D. M. Wong, State Adjutant General and Director of State Civil  
Defense. I am testifying in **SUPPORT** of Governor Message 548, which considers gubernatorial  
nominee Richard Minatoya as member of the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

Since his initial appointment in 2012, Richard Minatoya has proved to be a hardworking,  
contributing member of the Civil Defense Advisory Council. His legal and emergency  
management experiences are an important addition to the council.

Mr. Minatoya currently serves as the Supervising Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for the County of  
Maui. He previously served as the First Deputy Prosecutor position for the County of Kauai.

Mr. Minatoya served as a Kauai County Council member in the 1990s. During his time on the  
council, he chaired the Committee on Public Safety/Intergovernmental Relations, which had  
jurisdiction over emergency management issues. His experiences in emergency management  
range from the Hurricane Iniki recovery to the Kaloko Dam break (as the First Deputy  
Prosecutor).

I ask for the committee's support of Richard Minatoya's nomination to the Civil Defense  
Advisory Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony in **SUPPORT** of GM 548.

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
CIVIL DEFENSE DIVISION

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BY

DOUG MAYNE  
VICE DIRECTOR OF STATE CIVIL DEFENSE  
March 6, 2014

Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker, and Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs:

I am Doug Mayne, Vice Director of State Civil Defense. I am testifying in **SUPPORT** of Governor Message 548, which nominates Richard Minatoya as member of the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

I support the nomination of Richard Minatoya to the Civil Defense Advisory Council. He served in several positions of public trust in Hawaii since 1992. His resume includes Kauai County Council member, practicing attorney-at-law, House of Representatives staff attorney, and Deputy Prosecuting Attorney positions in the Counties of Maui and Kauai. While serving on the Kauai County Council, he was the Chair of the Committee on Public Safety/Intergovernmental Relations, which had jurisdiction over emergency management issues.

He currently serves as the Supervising Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for the County of Maui.

Mr. Minatoya brings a rare combination of legal and emergency management experience to the Civil Defense Advisory Council. Since his initial appointment to the Civil Defense Advisory Council in 2013, he has made important contributions that enhance emergency management preparedness.

I urge the committee to recommend Senate confirmation on the appointment of Mr. Minatoya to a term as a member of the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony in support of this nomination.

**Testimony of John M. Tonaki,  
State Public Defender to the Senate Committee Public Safety,  
Intergovernmental and Military Affairs**

March 6, 2014

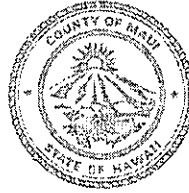
GM 548: Nomination of Richard Minatoya to the Civil Defense Advisory Council

Chair Espero and Committee Members:

This is in support of the nomination of Richard Minatoya to the Civil Defense Advisory Council. I have known Mr. Minatoya for more than 15 years. He is a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for the County of Maui. Previously he served as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for the County of Kauai. Mr. Minatoya is well-versed in the state laws and has worked closely with law enforcement over the course of his career. He brings a wealth of legal and law enforcement knowledge to the Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to be heard on this matter.

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**TESTIMONY OF ALAN ARAKAWA, MAYOR  
COUNTY OF MAUI**

**BEFORE THE SENATE  
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS**

Thursday, March 26, 2014, 2:45 p.m., Conference Rm. 224

**GM 548**

**RELATING TO THE CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE CIVIL DEFENSE  
ADVISORY COUNCIL, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, RICHARD MINATOYA**

The Honorable Will Espero, Chair  
Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair  
And Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military  
Affairs

Thank you for this opportunity to testify **in support** of **GM 548** relating to the nomination of Richard Minatoya to the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

As Mayor of the County of Maui, I support the nomination of Mr. Minatoya for the following reasons:

- Mr. Minatoya has dedicated much of his career to public service, including his current service to the Maui County community as a well-respected deputy prosecuting attorney.
- I believe that his knowledge and experience with the various councils, boards and commissions that he has worked with will be a tremendous benefit to Civil Defense Advisory Council.
- Mr. Minatoya is not only extremely able, but he is also respected and known for his diligence, fairness, and his willingness to prepare and work hard.

For these reasons, I humbly ask for your support of GM 548 and the confirmation of Richard Minatoya to the Civil Defense Advisory Council.

**Justin F. Kollar**  
Prosecuting Attorney

**Kevin K. Takata**  
First Deputy



**Rebecca A. Vogt**  
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**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM548, THE NOMINATION OF RICHARD  
MINATOYA TO THE CIVIL DEFENSE ADVISORY BOARD**

Justin F. Kollar, Prosecuting Attorney  
County of Kaua'i

House Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs  
March 6, 2014, 2:45 p.m.

Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

The County of Kauai, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, SUPPORTS, GM548, the nomination of Richard Minatoya to the Civil Defense Advisory Board.

Mr. Minatoya is an extremely able and experienced public servant who has considerable knowledge of the subject matter of this Board's activities. He is dedicated to his work and has provided diligent and able service as a public servant both on Kauai and Maui.

Based on the foregoing, the County of Kauai, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, SUPPORTS this Governor's Message. We ask that the Committee support Mr. Minatoya's nomination.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to provide testimony on this message.

Respectfully,

Justin F. Kollar  
Prosecuting Attorney



March 6, 2014

SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS  
Chair-Sen. Will Espero; Vice Chair-Sen. Rosalyn Baker, and Committee Members  
Public Hearing, March 6, 2014, 2:45 p.m. – Conference Room 224

**TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM F. ANONSEN**  
**In Support of GM 548 Gubernatorial Reappointment**  
**Richard Minatoya, Civil Defense Advisory Council**

In my capacity as the chair of the Civil Defense Advisory Council, I'm writing in strong support of the reappointment of Mr. Richard Minatoya to continue his service on the Civil Defense Advisory Council, for a term to expire June 30, 2018. Richard serves as the Council's representative for Maui County with civic pride and dedication.

I've gotten to know Richard working with him the past 3-years, serving together on the Civil Defense Advisory Council, and greatly value his counsel. During this period I have found him to be totally committed to the needs of our island communities and to the State of Hawaii. He can always be counted upon to perform his council duties with the highest degree of professional, dedication and skill. Richard's ability to see the big picture, yet take care of the details, his effectiveness in maintaining a broad perspective on emergency response issues while bringing his creative problem solving techniques to the table continues to be a welcome contribution to the council.

Aside from his prudent counsel, one of Richard's greatest attributes is his willingness to engage and help. The Civil Defense Advisory Council has benefited greatly from his active participation and engagement. Richard has my unequivocal support and trust.

*Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of this reappointment*

Sincerely,

*William F. Anonsen*

William F. Anonsen  
Managing Partner/Principal

Cc: MG Darryll Wong, Adjutant General/Director of Civil Defense  
Mr. Doug Mayne, Vice Director State Civil Defense

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Lt. Jeraul S. Pladera	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Mr. Minatoya is an excellent choice to continue on the Civil Defense Advisory Council. I have worked with Mr. Minatoya for several years at his current post at the Maui County Prosecuting Attorney. He brings a wealth of experience and vision for this position. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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TESTIMONY OF  
RICHARD K. MINATOYA  
ON

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY,  
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March 6, 2014

Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you very much for the opportunity to testify before you regarding my nomination to the Civil Defense Advisory Council ("CDAC").

I currently serve as a member of the CDAC, and regularly attend the Council's quarterly meetings. These meetings are interesting and informative, and I also enjoy the opportunity to make an additional contribution toward the safety and security of the people of our state.

Although I am a deputy prosecuting attorney, I have some experience in the civil defense/emergency management area. When Hurricane Iniki struck Kauai on September 11, 1992, I was home from graduate school. The next day, I accompanied then-Rep. Ezra Kanoho to an emergency meeting of the Kauai County Council - by then I had served as Rep. Kanoho's legislative researcher for three sessions, and was on my way to a fourth session. We were there to assure the council that Rep. Kanoho would provide the necessary assistance at the Legislature.

A few years later, I served as a councilmember on the Kauai County Council, where I chaired the Committee on Public Safety/Intergovernmental Relations. (Senator Kouchi was the Council Chair at the time.) Civil Defense came under my area of responsibility. During that time, I attended the Florida Governor's Hurricane Conference in Tampa, Florida. I also met regularly with the civil defense director, and was present when the Emergency Operations Center ("EOC") was activated for flooding incidents. Later, I served as the first deputy prosecuting attorney for the County of Kauai. During that time, I was on the "call out list" when the EOC was activated for the flooding/Kaloko Dam failure incident, at which time I assisted the law enforcement investigation of the dam failure. As a current CDAC member, I report to Maui EOC when it is activated for various emergencies. I was present for both of the tsunami and Tropical Storm Flossie incidents.

In addition to those activities, I continue to take Emergency Management Institute/FEMA courses. Please find attached copies of those continuing education certificates, along with a copy of my brief resume.

I would appreciate your favorable consideration of my nomination. I want to thank the Governor for his nomination, and those people who took the time to submit testimony on my behalf. Finally, thank you very much for your time, consideration, and the opportunity to testify before you.