

GM623

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Small Business Regulatory Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, BARBARA BENNETT, for a term to expire 6-30-2018.



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April 09, 2014

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Testimony in **SUPPORT** of Gubernatorial Nominee:

BARBARA BENNETT-GM 623

Small Business Regulatory Board

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair Slom and members of the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing:

I am pleased to submit my support for confirmation of Barbara Bennett to the Small Business Regulatory Board.

Ms. Bennett has been a longtime advocate for small businesses on Kauai and understands the many challenges and successes of doing business in our island economy. Her years of experience as a business woman will bring to the discussion a practical approach to addressing the new and existing rules that impacts a successful outcome for our small businesses.

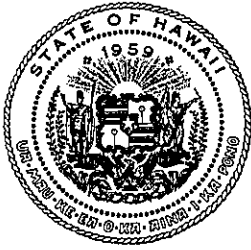
Through the years, Ms. Bennett has served tirelessly as a member and Board director level of Kauai's business associations and entities such as the Kauai Visitors Bureau and the Kauai Chamber of Commerce. Her ability to manage a small business as well as her dedication to her island community will be an added value as a member of the Small Business Regulatory Board.

Thank you for your time and consideration to confirm Barbara Bennett to the Small Business Regulatory Board.

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TO: Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Slom, and Members of the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing – Conference Room 016

FROM: Chu Lan Shubert-Kwock, Chair
Small Business Regulatory Review Board

DATE: April 9, 2014

SUBJECT: GM 623 – Barbara Bennett - Support

On behalf of the Small Business Regulatory Review Board (SBRRB), I am providing testimony in support of Ms. Barbara Bennett to serve as a member of the SBRRB, for a term to expire June 30, 2018.

Ms. Bennett is a resident of Kauai, and has served as an SBRRB member since December 2012. It is evident from Ms. Bennett's attendance at the board meetings that she brings an enormous amount of passion, knowledge, and proven leadership ability through her strong business background and community experience.

Ms. Bennett is currently the owner and publisher of *For Kauai Magazine*, which on February 7, 2014, Kauai Mayor Bernard Carvalho, Jr., proclaimed as, "For Kauai Magazine Day." In his proclamation, Mayor Carvalho stated that Ms. Bennett's newspaper, "brings in -depth community articles, has a vision to support the people and businesses of Kauai by providing a quality print publication and a state-of-the-art website, and is the most read publication on Kauai."

Under Section 201M-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Regulatory Flexibility Act specifies there shall be at least one representative from each County to serve as a member of this Board. With the approval of Ms. Bennett's nomination, the Kauai County representation requirement will continue to be maintained.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Ms. Bennett's nomination to the Small Business Regulatory Review Board.