TESTIMONY
On behalf of
STEPHANIE BATH
TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION
ON
April 11, 2014

G.M. 630

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Massage therapy,

STEPHANIE BATH, for a term to expire July 1, 2018.

Aloha Chair Baker and Members of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

My name is Marlene Hapai, Professor Emeritus of Biology at the University of Hawaii at Hilo and Regent Emeritus of the University of Hawaii. I am also a community advocate that has had the opportunity to work with Stephanie Bath who is being considered for confirmation, in the area of connectivity and emergency response for the Puna District of the Island of Hawaii.

Stephanie Bath was a member of the steering committee that drafted the Puna Community Development Plan that was published in 2008. A tremendous amount of work went into this project and this is a testament to Stephanie's willingness to stick to a project to completion. We are presently working on the implementation phase of the plan and Stephanie continues to reinforce the historical perspective of the document as well as work along incorporating change as needed.

The committee should consider approving Stephanie to the board of massage therapy because this is her area of expertise and she will be able to add much to the discussion and decisions that need to made in this field. She will also work tirelessly to make change as needed and to make sure this area is well-represented.

Thank you for your sincere consideration of Stephanie Bath's confirmation to this Board.

Aloha, Marlene Hapai, Ph.D. P.O. Box 413 Kurtistown, HI 96760



Chair Baker and committee members, my name is Philip Millett and I live in Hilo, HI. I retired as a Deputy District Attorney for Los Angeles County, California. I was also a Court Commissioner for approximately two years. My wife and I retired to Hilo in 1998.

I have known Stephanie Bath for over 10 years and I can recommend her confirmation to the Board of Massage Therapy without any reservation. I found her to be extremely competent, knowledgeable and a person of unquestioned integrity. I have no doubt that she will be a most valuable addition to the Board.

Sincerely,

Philip Millett 1608 Kilikina St. Hilo, HI

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Chair baker and committee members:

My name is Susan Teets and I have been a resident of the Big Island for more than 20 years. I am now retired, but I worked as the office manager for a law office in Hilo for 19 years.

I have known Stephanie Bath for over 15 years. I know she is a committed and caring individual. She is a hard worker and would have a unique perspective to bring to this assignment.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Teets

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To: Senate Chair Rosalyn Baker and committee members;

My name is Marilyn Haymore. I've lived in Hawaii since 1979. My active involvement with the community has taken many forms over the years. A few include my participation on a number of land transportation planning committees for the state and county and I've twice been the representative for General Aviation on the TAC (Technical Advisory Committee) for Hilo International Airport. At present I belong to 3 non-profit organizations whose mission is to be of service to the community.

I have known Stephanie Bath personally for over 30 years. Our common aim to strive for balance and sustainability as our community grows has found us often side by side on planning issues.

Stephanie personally has many times given of herself and her precious time to lovingly care for the needs of my own family when her assistance was so very much appreciated. This is Stephanie. This is typical Stephanie.

In Stephanie's profession I believe she is well educated, well experienced, knowledgeable and very skilled, taking into consideration the whole person and their needs. She has a special gift of intuitiveness that clearly enhances all that she does and that she does well. Without reservation, I recommend Stephanie Bath to be confirmed to the Board of Massage Therapy for the upcoming term.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Haymore PO Box 437 Kurtistown, HI 96760-0437

Aloha,

My name is Noah Bath. Stephanie Bath is my mother. I am just submitting this testimony so that you know that she is a wonderful mother and highly qualified massage therapist. She has worked as a massage therapist for 32 years in Hawai'i and over two decades ago she served on the State Board of Massage. Her and my dad have been married for over 30 years and that says something in and of itself.

I'm away at school on the Mainland right now, but I wanted to send this so that you know of both her utmost integrity and skill in her field of labor as well as church and community involvement.

If I can assist in any way feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Noah Bath
Electrical Engineering Major
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My name is Eugenia Pinon and I am Stephanie Baths younger sister. I live in the New York area and just read my email on the nominee for The State of Hawaii Massage Board.

I truly hope she gets this honor. She is a wonderful and caring person. She has been through a lot but always pulls through. She has helped many people through her massage and spirit.

I love her dearly and had just visited her last year.

Sincerely, Eugenia Pinon

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Chair Baker and committee members, My name is Cari Lawson, formerly a high risk counselor for the department of education in Hawaii. I also have done volunteer mediations for 5 years with Kuikahi Mediation Center within our community.

I have known Stephanie Bath since 2006 and know her through our affiliation at our local church. We have also become friends over the years through our working together in volunteer situations at our church.

I feel Stephanie Bath would be an asset to your committee as she is very passionate about her profession and also about being involved in our community and wanting to not only give back but is always encouraging others to get involved as well. She will take her position very seriously and give it 150%. She is truly dedicated to anything she takes on with her whole heart. She will add so much to the board and work extremely hard to get things done. I hope you will consider her for this position.

Respectfully submitted,

Cari Lawson PO Box 711452 Mountain View, HI 96771



Please add my name in support for Stephanie Bath, I have known and worked with her for over 30 years and highly recommend her for this position , thank you, Sheldon Lehman

Sent from my iPhone

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Chair Baker and committee members, My name is Tahzay Jones. I am a scientist now working primarily in Alaska, following 5 ½ years of work on Hawaii, and have known Stephanie Bath since 2006, shortly after I moved to Volcano, Hawaii. While I moved a little over 2 years ago from the state, I have continued to maintain contact with her. In my associations with her, I have always known her to have the utmost integrity, and deal honestly with those around her. She has always taken an active interest in her community, striving to do what she felt was best to improve the community around her. I have no doubts that if confirmed to the Board of Massage Therapy, she would do the same, putting forth her best efforts to carry out accomplish the purposes of the board to the best of her abilities.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Tahzay Jones

Anchorage, Alaska