

GM 677

Testimony –

JANICE BOND

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service, Gubernatorial Nominee, JANICE BOND, for a term to expire 6-30-2017.

Report Title: Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair
Senator Gilbert Kahele, Vice-Chair
Tuesday, April 15, 2014
2:45 PM

Testimony in **SUPPORT** of Governatorial Nominees:

JANICE BOND- GM 677

Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service

Chair Taniguchi, Vice-Chair Kahele and members of the Senate Committee on Higher Education:

I fully support the confirmation of Janice Sachiko Bond to serve as a Commissioner of the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service.

Ms. Bond is extremely qualified to serve based on her extensive history of volunteerism and devotion to her community. She tirelessly volunteers her time with Girl Scouts of America, the Visitor Aloha Society of Kauai, Read To Me International Foundation, AARP, HSTA-Retired Teachers and the Tobacco Free Community Coalition.

I have known Ms. Bond for many years. During this time, I have found her to be fair, reliable, and a true representative of the spirit of *aloha*. Her self-less nature is evidenced by her numerous awards for her work with the AARP, the Drug Free Coalition and the Kauai Retired Teachers Association. Her dedication to improving her community extends beyond her volunteer activities—she was a public school teacher for more than 20 years, devoting her energy and countless man-hours to improving the lives and opportunities of Hawaii's youth.

I believe that Ms. Bond would do an excellent job as a Commissioner of the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service. Her leadership would be invaluable in addressing needs of the Commission at the community level.

Thank you for your time and consideration to confirm Janice Bond to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service.

Representative Derek S.K. Kawakami, 14th District
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Senator Brian T. Taniguchi
Chair-Senate Committee on Higher Education
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415 South Beretania St.
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Dear Honorable Chairman Taniguchi and the Senate Higher Education Committee,

I am pleased to support the appointment and confirmation of Ms. Janice Bond to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service for a second term.

This Commission enacted by Federal Statute, is responsible for administering and receiving federal funds to support AmeriCorps Programs in the State of Hawaii. There are currently 9 programs in the Hawaii portfolio, with approximately 350 to 400 members serving throughout the state bringing in over \$3,800,000.00 a year in Federal Funds. The current focus areas of our programs concentrate on land conservation, legal help for the needy, sustainable agriculture, early childhood care, and helping people with disabilities find employment.

The composition of the Commission by Federal statute requires a minimum of 15 members, an equal representation of political parties with NO one party having a majority, and representation of various professional occupations.

Ms. Bond will represent Older Adults in Service. I have had the privilege to work with her the past two years on the Commission, and he has been a very valuable leader in supporting community service and volunteerism in Hawaii. His appointment will also allow the Commission to maintain the equal balance between political parties that is needed to remain compliant with the Federal Statutes.

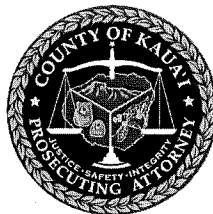
Please allow Ms. Bond the opportunity to continue to serve on the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service by confirming him to another term.

Respectfully,

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**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 677, THE NOMINATION OF JANICE BOND
TO THE HAWAII COMMISSION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

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

Senate Committee on Higher Education
April 15, 2014, 2:45 p.m.

Chair Taniguchi, Vice Chair Kahele and Members of the Committee:

The County of Kauai, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, SUPPORTS, GM 677, the nomination of Janice Bond to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service.

Janice Bond is a shining example of a service-minded individual. She devotes countless hours to the improvement of the Kauai community and is a tireless advocate for the causes she believes in. She has truly contributed much to making a safer and healthier Kauai as a result of her relentless drive to serve.

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

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

Respectfully,

Justin F. Kollar
Prosecuting Attorney



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RE: GM 677 - Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service, Gubernatorial Nominee, JANICE BOND, for a term to expire 6-30-2017.

Chair Taniguchi, Vice Chair Kahele, and Committee members,

I am writing to support the nomination of Janice Bond to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service. Ms. Bond has been a volunteer with the American Cancer Society and its advocacy affiliate, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, for more than four years. She has volunteered for events, created unique items to further our mission, and also participated in outreach to the Kauai community.

Janice Bond is strong advocate on Kauai for health related initiatives. She has worked on tobacco control and smoke-free campaigns to make a difference in her community. She has also advocated in support of legislation that affects cancer patients at the state legislature. I believe that Ms. Bond has the qualities of public service and civic responsibility through her countless volunteer time with local non-profits and would make an excellent voice on the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service.

Thank you for the opportunity to support the nomination of Janice Bond.

Sincerely,

Cory Chun
Hawaii Government Relations Director



Presentation before the Senate Committees on Higher Education

Tuesday, April 15, 2014

Janice S. Bond

Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service

Chair Brian T. Taniguchi, and members of the Senate Committees on Higher Education

Aloha! My name is Janice Sachiko Bond and I have been nominated to serve on the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service. Thank you for this opportunity to present my background information for your consideration of my confirmation to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service.

I was born and raised in Kapaa, Kauai, Hawaii, the oldest of four children of Tooru and Yukiko Miura Yamane of Kapaa. My father Tooru was the clerk for the Kauai County Council until he retired. My mother worked in the family M. Miura Store, at the Kauai Police Department and at Samuel Mahelona Hospital until she retired. I attended and graduated from Kapaa Elementary, Kapaa High and Intermediate Schools and Kansas State Teachers College in Emporia, receiving a Bachelor of Science in Education degree with a double major in English/ Speech and retired after 20 years at Kapaa and Kauai High Schools.

I have spent most of my adult life in volunteer work for various community organizations, many with national offices: March of Dimes Kauai President, Girl Scouts of America some 20 years from Brownies all the way up to the Council of the Pacific board with volunteer stints to the National Office as senior scout advisor and to the national Triennium; the Aloha Council Boy Scouts of America from being a den mother to Explorer Scouts program committee...my son became an Eagle Scout; and the American Cancer Society, currently as Kauai's Cancer Action Network Legislative Advocate, My other experiences include community service organizations such as the Tobacco Free Community Coalition & the Tobacco Trust Fund Advisory Board, and I have published several booklets called "Smokers Talk, Stories of Struggles and Success" and "In This Life, End Ice". I also volunteer in the Retired Seniors Volunteer Program and sit at the Kauai State Building information desk. I have been since its inception a Visitor Aloha Society Kauai member.

I have been asked many times why I volunteer with as many organizations as I do. I can only look back at my childhood years and recall those adults who took time for me whether in the Y Teen program, Girl Scouts, 4-H, or church. They helped me know what being a member of our community meant and in their service, made me want to also give back to my nation and my community.

I thank those who have written letters of recommendation. These are people who have helped me along the way be the kind of person I am today, who have mentored me and given sacrificially. I ask for your support of my nomination to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service. A position on this commission would give me an opportunity to work at still a higher level of service. Thank you.

