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The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair
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Dear Senator Ige and Members of the Committee:

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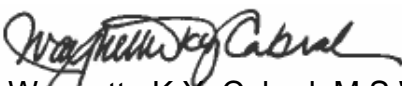
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Without the emergency appropriation, DD Division would not be able to provide services to the eligible COFA individuals. Consequently, they may be forced to tap into their FY 2013-2014 appropriation, which would impact current individuals receiving Medicaid Title XIX program services and potentially create a waitlist for services that would jeopardize the Makin Settlement Agreement.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments in **support of SB 2855 SD1**.

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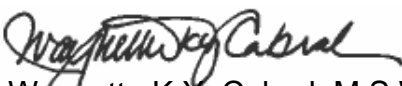
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