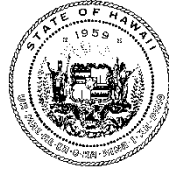


GM515

Submitting for consideration and confirmation
to the Enhanced 911 Board, Gubernatorial
Nominee, THALIA BURNS, for a term to expire
06-30-2019.

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TESTIMONY
OF
DOUGLAS MURDOCK, COMPTROLLER
DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES
TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
ON
APRIL 19, 2016
G.M. 515

RELATING TO CONFIRMATION TO THE ENHANCED 911 BOARD, THALIA BURNS

Chair Mercado Kim, and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify before you on the confirmation to the Enhanced 911 Board (the Board), gubernatorial nominee, Thalia Burns. The Department of Accounting and General Services supports Ms. Burns' recommendation for confirmation.

HRS Section 138-2 requires that the Board shall have one member from a public safety answering point (PSAP) on the island of Oahu. Ms. Burns is currently the Supervising Police Radio Dispatcher for the Honolulu Police Department, Communications Division and her responsibilities includes oversight of the PSAP on Oahu. Ms. Burns's appointment fills the statutory requirement for representation from a public safety answering point on the island of Oahu. Additionally, Ms. Burns has been chosen by her fellow Board members to serve as the Chair of the Board's Technical Committee. Her knowledge in the PSAP operations will make Ms. Burns a member who will contribute greatly to the Board as has been recognized by her fellow Board members.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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STATE OF Hawai'i
Enhanced 9-1-1 Board

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

**THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2016**

**Tuesday, April 19, 2016
1:15 P.M.
Conference Room 414
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street**

**SUBJECT: TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 515
CONFIRMATION OF THALIA BURNS TO THE ENHANCED 9-1-1 BOARD**

**TO THE HONORABLE DONNA MERCADO KIM, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:**

My name is Courtney T. Tagupa and I am the Executive Director for the Enhanced 9-1-1 Board (Board) and am pleased for the opportunity to provide testimony on behalf of the thirteen members of the Board in **strong support** of Senate Confirmation on the appointment of Ms. Thalia Burns to the Board.

Ms. Burns' experience as a Supervising Police Dispatcher with the Honolulu Police Department provides the essential background needed to be a successful member of the Board.

Prior to Ms. Burns' appointment to the Board, she was an active member of both the Technical and Communications Committees and recently was appointed Chair of the Technical Committee. She also provided leadership in organizing the periodic APCO/NENA Pacific Forums that brought industry experts to Hawai'i to share the latest information in 9-1-1 operations to the Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs). In 2013, Ms. Burns was honored by the Honolulu Police Department as its Civilian Manager/Supervisor of the year.

The Board enthusiastically supports Ms. Burns' Senate Confirmation on her appointment to the Board. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

TESTIMONY OF THE HAWAI'I POLICE DEPARTMENT

GM 515

ENHANCED 911 BOARD

GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE THALIA BURNS

**BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**

DATE : Tuesday, April 19, 2016

TIME : 1:15 P.M.

**PLACE : Conference Room 414
State Capitol**

PERSON TESTIFYING:

**Police Chief Harry S. Kubojiri
Hawai'i Police Department
County of Hawai'i**

(Written Testimony Only)

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April 5, 2016

Senator Donna Mercado Kim, Chair
Senate Committee On Government Operations
Chair and Members
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street, Room 414
Honolulu, Hawai`i 96813

Re: GM 515, Gubernatorial Nominee Thalia Burns, Enhanced 911 Board

Dear Senator Mercado Kim and Members:


The Hawai`i Police Department **strongly supports** the appointment of Gubernatorial Nominee Thalia Burns, as a representative of the Honolulu Police Department Public Safety Answering Point on the State of Hawai`i, Enhanced 911 Board.

We believe that Police Radio Dispatcher Thalia Burns possesses the knowledge and skills that are necessary to be a valuable asset to the Enhanced 911 Board.

For the reasons above, we strongly urge this committee to approve the passage of GM 515, the confirmation of Police Radio Dispatcher Thalia Burns to the Enhanced 911 Board.

Thank you for allowing the Hawai`i Police Department to testify on this bill.

Sincerely,


HARRY S. KUBOJIRI
POLICE CHIEF

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April 19, 2016

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim, Chair
and Members
Committee on Government Operations
State Senate
Hawaii State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street, Room 414
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Mercado Kim and Members:

SUBJECT: Governor's Message No. 515, Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the Enhanced 911 Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, Thalia Burns, for a Term to Expire 06-30-2019

I am Allan Nagata, Major of the Communications Division of the Honolulu Police Department (HPD), City and County of Honolulu.

I am pleased to support the nomination of Supervising Police Radio Dispatcher (SPRD) Thalia Burns as a representative of the Honolulu Police Department's (HPD) Public Safety Answering Point on the Enhanced 911 Board, State of Hawaii.

SPRD Burns possesses the knowledge, skills, and dedication that are essential to be a valuable asset to the Enhanced 911 Board. As an employee of the HPD's Communications Division, SPRD Burns was involved in learning every aspect of our 911 services over the last 32 years. She has worked her way up from a 911 operator to her current assignment as the supervisor of a unit that is responsible for system upgrades, implementing new technology, and maintaining compliance with national standards. Her ability to make decisions in life or death situations as well as the ability to listen and work well with people will contribute in making her a quality contributor and most importantly a productive member of the Board.

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim, Chair
and Members
Committee on Government Operations
April 19, 2016
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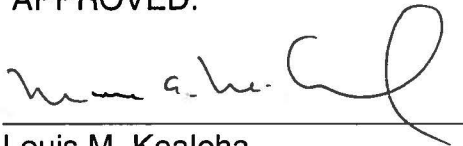
For the reasons cited above, I urge this committee to approve the passage of Governor's Message No. 515, the confirmation of SPRD Burns to the Enhanced 911 Board.

Sincerely,



Allan Nagata, Major
Communications Division

APPROVED:



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April 15, 2016

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
Chair, Senate Committee on
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Hawaii State Capitol, Room 218
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Honorable Les Ihara
Vice Chair, Senate Committee on
Government Operations
Hawaii State Capitol Room 220
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: Support for GM 515 – Confirmation of nomination to the Enhanced 911 Board

Dear Chair Kim, Vice Chair Ihara and Members of the Senate Committee:

It is my pleasure to strongly support Ms Thalia Burns' nomination to the Enhanced 9-1-1 Board. Ms Burns has assisted the Enhanced 9-1-1 Board for a few years with valuable information and leadership skills from her Honolulu Police Department experiences. I believe her leadership, insight and participation on the Board has and will continue to help advance Hawaii to the next generation E-9-1-1 system for the state. I fully support Ms Burns' nomination.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kiman K.L. Wong".

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GM515

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