



Written Statement of
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before the
Senate Committee on Economic Development, and Technology
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In consideration of
**GM516 IN CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF THE HIGH TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, ELIJAH YIP, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2019.**

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Slom, and Members of the Committee on Economic
Development, and Technology.

I am pleased to have this opportunity to **support the confirmation** of Mr. Elijah Yip to the Board of Directors for the High Technology Development Corporation (HTDC). Mr. Yip is an accomplished corporate attorney specializing in cyber security and technology. He has received numerous accolades for his work including being recognized in 2012 by the Pacific Business News "40 under 40" class as a young business leader in Hawaii. His blog (<http://www.legaltxts.com/>) discusses the latest developments in law and technology, with an emphasis on legal issues regarding digital media, privacy & data security, and information management. His legal perspective of entrepreneurship, and the technology industry is an important component of HTDC board leadership as we move forward with the 80/80 Initiative. We appreciate his vision and attention to detail in guiding HTDC forward.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments and I encourage your favorable vote on his behalf.