



Written Statement of  
**Robbie Melton**  
Executive Director & CEO  
High Technology Development Corporation  
before the  
**Senate Committee on Economic Development, and Technology**  
Wednesday, March 2, 2016  
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State Capitol, Conference Room 414

In consideration of  
**GM518 IN CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS OF THE HIGH TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, DANIEL LEUCK, FOR A TERM TO  
EXPIRE 06-30-2018.**

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 appointment** of Mr. Daniel Leuck to the Board of Directors for the High Technology Development Corporation (HTDC). Mr. Leuck is a respected leader in the technology community, strong supporter of HTDC, and has invaluable empathy for growing a successful technology business in Hawaii.

Mr. Leuck started his first company Ikeyzo in 2004 at HTDC's Manoa Innovation Center (MIC). He quickly established himself as a community leader by creating the web portal TechHui.com for the local tech community to communicate more efficiently. Tech Hui remains one of the leading online gathering places and sources for news and events related to tech in Hawaii. Since graduating from MIC, Ikeyzo has grown to be a successful technology company with a global client base, hiring more than 35 people. In 2012 Mr. Leuck co-founded another technology company in Hawaii, named Contix. Contix is already receiving recognition from the national press as a leading provider of social intelligence for the stock market. Because of the success of his companies and his knowledge of the tech sector, Mr. Leuck is often called on to represent the industry as a panelist, judge, moderator, and mentor for events. He has repeatedly been very generous with his time and sponsorships. His knowledge of entrepreneurship and the Hawaii technology community will be a tremendous asset for HTDC and moving our 80/80 initiative forward.

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