

GM562

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Health Planning Council, Hawai'i County Subarea, Gubernatorial Nominee, HAROLD WALLACE, for a term to expire 06-30-2019.

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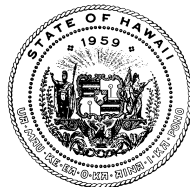
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Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health

GM 562, Gubernatorial Nominee to the Hawaii County Subarea Health Planning Council

Testimony of Romala Sue Radcliffe SHPDA Administrator

Tuesday, March 1, 2016
9:30 a.m.

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health supports the nomination and confirmation
2 of Mr. Harold L. Wallace, Jr. to the Hawaii County Subarea Health Planning Council (HCSAC).

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None

4 **Purpose and Justification:** The purpose is for the consideration and confirmation of the
5 HCSAC Gubernatorial Nominee, Mr. Harold L. Wallace, Jr.

6 Mr. Wallace is the Chief Executive Officer of Bay Clinic, Inc., the only Federally
7 Qualified Health Center (FQHC) serving East and South Hawaii Island. Bay Clinic is the
8 largest FQHC on the Big Island with a service area encompassing 51% of the island,
9 comprising 58% of the islands total population. Bay Clinic is also the sole safety-net provider
10 of primary, dental, and behavioral health care for East and South Hawaii Island.

11 Mr. Wallace was formerly the Interim Chief Executive Officer for Total Healthcare
12 Center of Tyler, Texas, Vice President of Ambulatory Services for Schneider Regional Medical
13 Center of St. Thomas-St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands, and Chief Operating Officer for Samuel U.
14 Rodgers Health Center of Kansas City, Missouri.

1 Mr. Wallace is active in the community. He serves as a board member with AlohaCare,
2 Hawaii Primary Care Association and Association of Asian Pacific Community Health
3 Organizations (AAPCHO).

4 He received a Bachelor degree in Secondary Education from Philander Smith College
5 and a Master of Public Health Administration degree from Meharry Medical College. He also
6 completed the Harvard Business School Executive Education Program Managing Health Care
7 Delivery – Modular 1, 2, and 3.

8 We ask for your support on the confirmation of Mr. Harold L. Wallace, Jr. to serve on the
9 Hawaii County Subarea Health Planning Council.

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GM562
**CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION OF HAROLD
WALLACE TO THE HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL,
HAWAII COUNTY SUBAREA**

**COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER
PROTECTION, AND HEALTH**
Sen. Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Sen. Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 1, 2016, 9:30 am
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

Honorable Chair Baker, Honorable Vice-Chair Kidani, and Members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, I submit the following testimony in support of GM562.

With this letter, I express my support of Mr. Harold Wallace's gubernatorial nomination to the Health Planning Council, Hawaii County Subarea for a term to expire on June 30, 2019.

Over the past several years, I have collaborated with Mr. Harold Wallace on important community health issues facing our East Hawaii community. Mr. Wallace is a vanguard with over 20 years of Community Health Center experience. His pioneering work has led to the construction of the Ka'ū Family Health and Dental Center in Na'ālehu, Ka'ū District; as well as the creation of the first 340B Pharmacy Dispensing Program serving the districts of North and South Hilo, Puna, and Ka'ū, East Hawaii.

Mr. Wallace holds a Masters of Public Health from Meharry Medical College and a certificate from the Harvard Business School, Executive Education Program Managing Health Care Delivery Modular 1, 2, and 3.

His extensive knowledge of policy and the complexities of delivering health services in rural and economically challenged regions will be invaluable in helping guide community-directed socio-economic initiatives in Hawaii County.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

Mitchell D. Roth
Hawaii County Prosecutor



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HAWAII PRIMARY CARE ASSOCIATION

Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health

The Hon. Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair

The Hon. Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

Testimony in Support of GM562

Submitted by Robert Hirokawa, CEO

March 1, 2016, 9:30 am, Room 229

The Hawai'i Primary Care Association, which represents community health centers in Hawai'i, **strongly supports** the nomination of Harold Wallace to the Hawaii County Subarea of the Health Planning Council.

Mr. Wallace has been a vital addition to the Hawaii health system since arriving to the state in recent years. Working as the CEO of the Bay Clinic on the island of Hawaii, Mr. Wallace has been tireless in forging community relationships to better position his organization and the constituents they serve.

Under the leadership of Mr. Wallace, the Bay Clinic has expanded to become the second largest provider of primary care service in the state. With a service area encompassing more than half of the island of Hawaii's geographic region and patient population, they are an essential provider of care services to the largest landmass in the state. In recent years, under his leadership, they have expanded that reach with the development of the Ka'u Family Health and Dental Center in Na'alehu as well as the creation of the first 340B Pharmacy Dispensing Program to serve North and South Hilo, Puna, and Ka'u, both providing essential services to locations of great need.

Prior to coming to Hawaii, Mr. Wallace obtained a Masters of Public Health from Meharry College, a certificate from the Harvard Business School Executive Education Program, and has worked in a variety of healthcare delivery positions. Drawing on that experience and expertise, Mr. Wallace has been an outstanding partner for the HPCA and will make an excellent addition to the Health Planning Council.

For these reasons, the HPCA strongly supports the nomination of Harold Wallace and thanks you for the opportunity to testify.



THE BAY CLINIC, INC.

Network of Community Health Centers

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HAROLD L. WALLACE, JR.

- (1) Why do you want to be a member of the Board?

I am a advocate for accessible, affordable, and comprehensive health care for individuals and whole communities.

- (2) What do you perceive are the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Board?

To administer the state's certificate of need program by conducting an administrative review for CON applications.

- (3) In what ways do you feel that you can help protect the consumer?

I have over 20 years of health care experience in meeting compliance standards of the National Committee on Quality Assurance, and I will use that experience to evaluate and ensure that only credible health care agencies enter the Hawaii market.

- (4) Given your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Board member, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise and knowledge that would aid you as a member of the Board.

Healthcare executive with 20 years of experience in leading operational improvements in a variety of healthcare organizations, including for-profit and not-for-profit integrated delivery systems, Hospital Systems, Health Center Services, Physician Organizations, and Managed Care Plans. I also have a proven record of partnering with governing boards, physicians, administrative leadership and others to achieve organizational turnarounds, strategic initiatives, and business imperatives.

- (5) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

I hope to meet the specific Subarea Health Planning Council goals of the State of Hawaii Health Services and Facilities Plan.

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- (6) Name three qualities that best describe you and how these qualities will benefit the Board.

I am a health care executive with comprehensive experience, I have managed organizations in large and small markets that include Islands, and in my experience I have collaborated with inpatient, out-patient, specialty, primary, and health plan organizations. These qualities will bring health care executive micro and macro assessment value to the board.

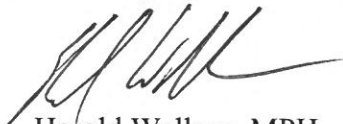
- (7) Name a previous experience you've had that will be beneficial as a Board member.

I currently serve on the Boards of the Hawaii Primary Care Association, AlohaCare, and The Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations.

- (8) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interest that could arise during your service on the Board? How would you overcome conflicts of interest?

I do not foresee any possible conflicts of interest, but should I be informed of a conflict of interest with an upcoming hearing, I will take the necessary steps according to Hawaii law to remove myself.

Sincerely,



Harold Wallace, MPH