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APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS

Senate Committee on Higher Education and the Arts

Public Hearing – March 10, 2016 1:30pm, State Capitol, Conference Room 224

By
Michelle Tagorda, MPH

Aloha Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Senate Higher Education and the Arts Committee

I am writing to **support** the reappointment of Wayne Higaki to the University of Hawai'i Board of Regents.

I was born and raised on Hawai'i Island, and am a proud product of the public school system in my home town of Kea'au. I am a recent graduate of the University of Hawai'i, earning both my undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. I have had the pleasure of getting to know Wayne with our commonality of being from Hawai'i Island. In conversations regarding his professional work and work in the community I enjoyed hearing his thoughts on valuing experiential training, and opportunities for hands on experience in preparation for the workforce.

Wayne is keen to the issues surrounding education, workforce needs and especially the differences of student's experiences and circumstances varying from island to island. As one of the two regents from Hawai'i County, Wayne brings very valuable perspectives to the board and the issues surrounding the University of Hawai'i.

I humbly request your support for his confirmation. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.