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Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board Of Acupuncture, Gubernatorial Nominee, MIKE HASHIMOTO, for a term to expire 06-30-2020.

Report Title: Board Of Acupuncture

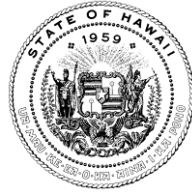
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COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2016

Friday, April 1, 2016
9:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 704.

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Carol Kramer and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Acupuncture ("Board"), Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 704, regarding the **reappointment** of Dr. Mike Hashimoto to the Board. The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Hashimoto's reappointment to the Board.

Dr. Hashimoto was appointed as a licensee member to the Board since December 2, 2010. Dr. Hashimoto is a licensed acupuncturist and his license is current and in good standing. Since being appointed, he has attended 25 out of the 25 scheduled bimonthly meetings. He is always prepared for Board meetings and eagerly participates by sharing knowledge he has attained over the years regarding the practice of acupuncture and Oriental medicine. His insights as an acupuncture practitioner has

been key to the discussions of the Board. It is without a doubt that Dr. Hashimoto has demonstrated his commitment to our community and to his profession.

The Department supports the confirmation of Mike Hashimoto, D.Ac., to the Board of Acupuncture, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

April 1, 2016

To the Honorable Rosalyn Baker, Chair
Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health
Members of Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health

RE: Letter of Recommendation for Re-appoint Mike M. Hashimoto to the
Board of Acupuncture

Dear Chair and Members of Committee;

I am pleased to recommend Mike M. Hashimoto, D.Ac., Ph.D., to the Board of Acupuncture as a professional member and ask for your consideration in this matter.

Dr. Mike M. Hashimoto, whose office is located at 3020 Kaimuki Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96816, is a licensed acupuncturist and past President of the Hawaii Acupuncture Association and Chair of the Board of Acupuncture, currently he serve as the member of Acupuncture Board and Vice-President of the Academy of Integrated Medicine Hawaii.

I believe that Dr. Hashimoto is a highly responsible, diligent person. I am certain that his integrity would complement the Board's endeavor to protect the public by implementing and maintaining the Administrative Rules of Acupuncture.

I hereby recommend that Mike M. Hashimoto, D.Ac., be re-appointed to the Board of Acupuncture as a professional member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Keiichi Kobayashi', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Keiichi Kobayashi, M.D.

BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE: Mike M. Hashimoto, D.Ac., Ph.D.

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

As one of original introducer of the 436D and 436E, I have responsible for Statute to be keep on the right track and goal.

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

Maintain challenge to aim at most benefits and keep safety measurement of the public in general.

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

Based on past experience as member of the Board, I am capable obtaining fair view of the protection the public through refinement of the HAR.

- (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.

My clinical and practical experience as acupuncturist in Japan and in Hawaii that totals of 48 years and commended by DCCA/PVL in 2007, and 2000, I am certain that capable to handle betterment in protection of the public.

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

In order to protection of the public, I feel obligation of refine and to make reasonable contents of the HRS as well as HAR.

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

Professional experience. Consideration to the public safety. Harmonize among professions.

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

COMMUNITY EDUCATION SERVICES

- 09/15/1987** **“Shiatsu/Acupressure Hands-on techniques for the Social Workers”**
At: Central Oahu Community Mental Health Center, Aiea, HI
- 05/07/1987** **“Stress Management for Care Home Administrators”**
At: Leeward Health Center, Pearl City, HI
- 5/20/1986** **“Concept of Therapeutic Acupressure”**
At: Honolulu Community College, Honolulu, HI
- 3/28/1985** **“Basic Theory of Therapeutic Acupressure”**
At: Honolulu Community College, Honolulu, HI
- 02/11/1985** **“Acupuncture and Traditional Oriental Remedies”**
At: American Association of Retired Persons, Honolulu, HI
- 11/20/1984** **“Oriental Healing System in Modern Days”**
At: Buddhist Study Center, Honolulu, HI
- 1982 and 1983** **“Acupuncture Theory and Demonstrations”**
To: Community Quest of the Kailua High School
At: Hashimoto Clinic of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine
1946 Young Street, Honolulu, HI

PUBLIC SERVICES

2012- Present

Member, the Hawaii State Board of Acupuncture
(Re-appointed by: Governor Neal Abercrombie)

2011- 2012

Member, the Hawaii State Board of Acupuncture (Interim)
(Appointed by: Governor Neal Abercrombie)

2010 – 2011

Member, the Hawaii State Board of Acupuncture
(Appointed by: Governor Linda Lingle)

2009 – 2011

Member, Advisory Committee for RICO (Regulated Industries Complaints Office)
(Appointed by the Director of Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs)

2003 – 2007

Member, the Hawaii State Board of Acupuncture (Chairperson)
(Appointed by: Governor Linda Lingle)

1996 – 2000

Member, the Hawaii State Board of Acupuncture (Chairperson)
(Appointed by: Governor Benjamin Cayetano)

1992 – 1994

Member, the Hawaii State Board of Acupuncture (Chairperson)
(Appointed by: Governor John Waihee)

1983 – 1986

Member, the Hawaii State Board of Acupuncture
(Appointed by: Governor George Ariyoshi)

1979 – 1981

Member, the Hawaii State Board of Massage
(Appointed by: Governor George Ariyoshi)

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

1984 – 1992

Oriental Medical Institute of Hawaii, Dean of Academy
Honolulu, HI

HONORS AND AWARDS

06/30/2007

State of Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
“Outstanding contributions and assistance to the Board of Acupuncture”

12/04/2003

Institute of Clinical Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine
“Outstanding contribution as guest lecturer on Clinical Acupuncture, Honolulu, HI

06/30/2000

State of Hawaii Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
“Outstanding contributions and assistance provided to the Board of Acupuncture”

08/23/1992

Oriental Medical Institute of Hawaii

“Dedication and outstanding contribution”, Honolulu, HI

Dec., 1993

Hawaii Acupuncture Association (HAA)

“Distinguished and consistent service to the Acupuncture Community”

04/14/1990

Hawaii Association of Certified Acupuncturists (HACA)

“Distinguished Service, Achievement and Outstanding Contributions Award”

- (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?

As far as my concern, there are no known conflict of interest. If there is one, I have no hesitate to consult with Board’s counsellor and executive officer to seek for immediate solution.

Respectfully yours,

Mike M. Hashimoto, D.Ac., Ph.D.

3/23/2016