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Testimony to the Senate Committee on
Commerce, Consumer Protection, & Health
Friday, April 15, 2016
9:30 a.m.

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State Capitol - Conference Room 229

**RE: GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 861 CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION
TO THE CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD, GUBENATORIAL NOMINEE, MR. LESLIE
ISEMOTO.**

Dear Chair Baker, Vice-Chair Kidani, and members of the Committee:

My name is Gladys Marrone, Chief Executive Officer for the Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA-Hawaii), the Voice of the Construction Industry. We promote our members through advocacy and education, and provide community outreach programs to enhance the quality of life for the people of Hawaii. BIA-Hawaii is a not-for-profit professional trade organization chartered in 1955, and affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders.

BIA Hawaii is in **strong support** of Mr. Leslie Isemoto's appointment to the Contractors' License Board.

Mr. Isemoto is President of Isemoto Contracting Company, Ltd., a family-owned business that has been a stable construction company for generations on the Island of Hawaii. Mr. Isemoto brings a wealth of knowledge to the Board based on his 30+ years of experience in the construction industry. Mr. Isemoto has a reputation for making unbiased decisions, and will bring a unique, outer-island perspective to the Board.

We strongly support the confirmation of Mr. Leslie Isemoto appointment to the Contractors' License Board, and appreciate the opportunity to express our views on this matter.

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April 14, 2016

Honorable Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Honorable Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
And Members of the Committee Commerce,
Consumer Protection, and Health
Hawaii State Capitol
Honolulu, HI

RE: Governor's Message No. 861
Leslie Isemoto – Contractors License Board

Senator Baker and Members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection
and Health:

John R. Monis, representing the Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization
Fund (HOEISF), a labor management fund representing 300 general contractors in the
heavy civil engineering and 4000 members in the construction industry.

HOEISF strongly supports the continuation of Mr. Leslie Isemoto as a member of the
Contractors Licensing Board. Mr. Isemoto has made exceptional contributions to the
construction industry and the community and taken a cooperative approach to labor-
management relations. His experience and willingness to work collaboratively to help
solve problems relating to the construction industry will be an asset to the Contractors
License Board.

Thank you for your support in allowing this to happen.

Sincerely,

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TO: HONORABLE ROSALYN BAKER, CHAIR, HONORABLE MICHELLE KIDANI,
VICE CHAIR, SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 861**: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Contractors License Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, LESLIE ISEMOTO, for a term to expire 06-30-2018.

HEARING

DATE: Friday, April 15, 2016
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 229

Dear Chair Baker and Vice Chair Kidani and Members,

Ralph S Inouye Co, Ltd (RSI), a Hawaii general contractor and member of the General Contractors Association of Hawaii, **strongly supports** the confirmation of Leslie Isemoto to the Contractors License Board ("Board") for a term set to expire on June 30, 2018.

Mr. Isemoto is currently the President of Isemoto Contracting Co., Ltd. and holds a number of licenses for different scopes of work. Mr. Isemoto is the Responsible Managing Employee for Isemoto Contracting Co. Ltd. on the island of Hawaii, a locally owned and operated multi-generational construction company highly recognized statewide. Mr. Isemoto has over twenty-nine years of experience in the "A" general engineering and "B" general building licensing areas and has been directly involved in management, estimating, project management, and equipment acquisition and repairs.

Isemoto Contracting Co., Ltd. is well known in the industry and has had a tremendous impact on the infrastructure and growth of Hawaii Island. Mr Isemoto knows the industry from ground up as well as inside out, having served his company as a laborer and apprentice carpenter, as the office manager, project engineer, project manager, all the way up to his current top position as President. He is not only dedicated to the industry but finds time to participate in other community activities including for organizations such as the Waiakea Settlement YMCA and the Japanese Chamber of Commerce.

Mr Isemoto brings a wealth of experience and value to the Board. Accordingly, RSI **strongly supports** the appointment of Leslie Isemoto to the Contractors License Board and respectfully requests your consideration and confirmation.



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Via Website: cphtestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

Honorable ROSALYN H. BAKER chair, honorable MICHELLE N. KIDANI, vice chair, and members of the Senate committee ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION AND HEALTH

Re: Nomination of Leslie Isemoto for General Contractor Position on the Contractors Licensing Board


Dear Chair Baker and Vice Chair Kidani,

It is my pleasure to write a letter in support of Leslie Isemoto for General Contractor Position on the Contractors Licensing Board.

Leslie Isemoto is a person who is deeply committed and dedicated to the construction industry for over 30 years. As President of Isemoto Contracting, Ltd, Leslie Isemoto will be a great candidate for the position based on his years of experience, skills and knowledge.

Johansen Contracting, Inc. has been in the construction business for well over 15 years, and we strongly support Leslie Isemoto for General Contractor Position on the Contractors Licensing Board.

Respectfully Submitted,


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