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Statement of
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Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism
before the

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT AND
TECHNOLOGY**

Wednesday, April 13, 2016

1:45 p.m.

State Capitol, Conference Room 414

in consideration of
GM 870

**SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE HAWAII
STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE,
MARISSA SANDBLOM, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2020.**

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Slom and Members of the Committee on Economic
Development, Environment, and Technology.

I respectfully urge your support for the confirmation of **Marissa Sandblom** to
serve on the Hawaii Strategic Development Corporation Board of Directors.

I have known Marissa Sandblom since she served as a member and the Chair of
the Agricultural Development Corporation several years ago. Ms. Sandblom currently
advocates for the economic growth of her community as the Chair of the Kauai
Economic Development Board while working full time for Grove Farm on Kauai. She
understands the challenges that Hawaii faces to create opportunities for Hawaii
residents to grow businesses and create jobs in Hawaii.

I strongly support the nomination of Marissa Sandblom to the Hawaii Strategic
Development Corporation Board of Directors.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.