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THE QUEEN'S HEALTH SYSTEMS

To: The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
The Honorable Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair
Members, Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
Paula Yoshioka

From: Paula Yoshioka, Senior Vice President, The Queen's Health Systems

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Hrg: Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health; Saturday, February 6, 2016 at 9:00 AM in Room 229

Re: **Support for SB 2687, Relating to Cancer**

My name is Paula Yoshioka, and I am a Senior Vice President at The Queen's Health Systems (Queen's). I would like to express my support for SB 2687, which would establish a colorectal cancer screening and awareness program.

Colon cancer is the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths in our nation. Screening and early detection is key in the prevention of colorectal cancer. Screening can detect pre-cancerous polyps and discover colorectal cancer at an early stage, when treatment is most effective. As a member of the MD Anderson Cancer Network, Queen's is committed to deliver the very best cancer management services and works diligently to advocate for increased early detection within the community.

We urge the legislature to support SB 2687. Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter.

The mission of The Queen's Health Systems is to fulfill the intent of Queen Emma and King Kamehameha IV to provide in perpetuity quality health care services to improve the well-being of Native Hawaiians and all of the people of Hawai'i.