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To: The Honorable Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Chair,

The Honorable Karl Rhoads, Vice Chair, and

Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor

Date: Thursday, March 23, 2017

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Place: Conference Room 016, State Capitol

From: Linda Chu Takayama, Director

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR)

## Re: GM570 Confirmation of Alicia Moy to the Workforce Development Council

On behalf of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, as well as myself personally, this testimony is provided in strong support for the appointment and confirmation of Alicia Moy to the Workforce Development Council.

Alicia is the President and CEO of Hawaii Gas and is on the board of the Chamber of Commerce of Hawai'i, Aloha United Way, the March of Dimes, and the Western Energy Institute. She holds a bachelor's degree in finance and marketing from the University of Miami and a master's degree in finance from INSEAD, which was ranked first among global MBA programs in 2016 and 2017 by Financial Times. The Workforce Development Council will greatly benefit from her intelligence, education, and experience.

I strongly urge her confirmation.

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March 23, 3017

To: Senator Gilbert Keith-Agaran, Chair and

Senator Karl Rhoads, Vice Chair and

Members of the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

From: Allicyn Tasaka, Executive Director

Workforce Development Council

RE: GM 569 Advise and Consent, Nominee Alicia Moy as a Member of the Workforce

Development Council for a term to expire June 30, 2017

GM 570 Advise and Consent, Nominee Alicia Moy as a Member of the Workforce

Development Council for a term to expire June 30, 2021

Hearing: Thursday, March 23, 2017, 10:00 a.m., Room 016

**POSITION: Strong Support** 

Good morning Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair Rhoads and members of the Committee on Judiciary and Labor. I am Allicyn Tasaka, Executive Director of the Workforce Development Council (WDC) testifying in strong support of Alicia Moy's confirmation to the WDC for a term to expire on June 30, 2017 (GM 569) and for a term to expire on June 30, 2021 (GM 570). Ms. Moy would fill a slot reserved for a private sector member on the Council.

The WDC is an attached agency to the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and advises the Governor and Legislature on workforce development to support economic development and employment opportunities for employers and employees.

Also, the WDC is responsible for the administrative oversight and implementation of a federally mandated initiative, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 or WIOA. WDC is tasked with strategic planning and developing the infrastructure for a seamless common intake and referral system at the American Job Centers (or One-Stop Centers) so job seekers and employers can maneuver through the workforce system efficiently and receive employment, education, training and support services throughout the State. It's a "no wrong door" approach to workforce development.

Ms. Moy is President and Chief Executive Officer of Hawaii Gas. Previous to her current position, she was senior vice president of Hawaii Gas' parent company, Macquarie Infrastructure Company (MIC), which owns, operates and invests in a diversified group of infrastructure businesses in the United States. At MIC, she oversaw corporate strategy, funding and management of several utility companies. She also worked on the acquisition of Hawaii Gas by MIC. She has served as a member of Hawaii Gas' board of directors since 2011 and currently also serves on the board of directors of Macquarie Renewable Energy Holdings.

Ms. Moy is a member of the Hawaii Business Roundtable and serves on the boards of directors of Bank of Hawaii, Aloha United Way and the Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii.

Ms. Moy's extensive experience in the energy industry in the private sector make her a valuable resource to the WDC as energy has been identified as an in-demand industry for next several years.

I respectfully urge you to confirm Ms. Moy as a member of the Workforce Development Council where her leadership and experience would greatly benefit the Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in strong support of Ms. Moy's nomination.

## Testimony to the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. Conference Room 016, State Capitol

## RE: GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 570 SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE HAWAII WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, ALICIA MOY

Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair Rhoads, and Members of the Committee:

The Chamber of Commerce Hawaii ("The Chamber") **supports** the confirmation of MS. Alicia Moy to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

The Chamber is Hawaii's leading statewide business advocacy organization, representing about 1,600+ businesses. Approximately 80% of our members are small businesses with less than 20 employees. As the "Voice of Business" in Hawaii, the organization works on behalf of members and the entire business community to improve the state's economic climate and to foster positive action on issues of common concern.

Alicia Moy has extensive business experience that is invaluable to the Workforce Development Council. As president and chief executive officer of Hawaii Gas, she operates one of Hawaii's longstanding businesses. Prior to joining Hawaii Gas in 2013, she served 12 years as senior vice president at Hawaii Gas's management company, Macquarie Infrastructure and Real Assets, where she oversaw corporate strategy, strategic planning, funding and management of several utility companies. Alicia is an active member of our broader community. She is a member of the Hawaii Business Roundtable and serves on the boards of Aloha United Way and the Chamber of Commerce Hawaii.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide our support for this nomination.



## SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Chair Senator Karl Rhoads, Vice Chair

**GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NOS. 569 & 570** 

Thursday, March 23, 2017 10:00 a.m. Conference Room 016 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

### Aloha Gentlemen:

I am a business consultant in Honolulu who works closely with Hawaii Gas and the energy industry, and I am submitting written testimony in support of the nomination of Hawaii Gas President & CEO Alicia Moy to serve on Governor David Ige's Hawai'i Development Workforce Council.

Hawai'i's energy landscape is rapidly changing, which requires the transformation of our workforce to meet the needs of a new, dynamic marketplace. As of 2010, Hawai'i's energy sector jobs numbered more than 14,000, which accounted for 1.7% of all the jobs in the state. Hawaii Gas alone currently employs more than 300 employees statewide.

During this transformation, the workforce needs to be prepared in order to adapt and thrive. Hawai'i needs to be at the forefront to compete in attracting qualified new talent while also providing sufficient training and development for existing workers. Hawaii Gas is already preparing for this change through embracing innovative technologies, industry best practices and ongoing professional development.

Again, I strongly support Ms. Moy's nomination to the Hawai'i Development Workforce Council. Her valuable input and insights draw upon her leadership roles at her company and on the boards of other organizations, as well as on her collaboration within the industry, to impact this important economic sector.

Sincerely,

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