

# GM 680

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Dental Examiners, Gubernatorial Nominee, JOY SHIMABUKU, for a term to expire 06-30-2021.

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Friday, April 7, 2017  
9:00 a.m.

**TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 680.**

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

My name is Sandra Matsushima and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Dental Examiners ("Board"), Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 680, regarding the **reappointment** of Joy Shimabuku to the Board. The Department supports the confirmation of Ms. Shimabuku's reappointment to the Board.

She has served on the Board as a public member since May 2014.

Ms. Shimabuku is a devoted member of the Board and she has attended 15 out of 20 meetings.

Ms. Shimabuku's active participation during the meeting discussions demonstrate that she has prepared for the matters that are on the Board's agenda. In addition, by sharing valuable insights that she has gained over her many years of experience, Ms. Shimabuku contributes to the breadth of information that the Board has found useful when making its decisions. She is very effective in providing a perspective from the public's point of view.

Ms. Shimabuku is a licensed beautician and small business owner. With her experience as a professional licensee and small business owner, and her willingness to continue to serve the public and contribute to the community, Ms. Shimabuku is an asset to the Board.

The Department supports the reappointment of Ms. Shimabuku to the Board of Dental Examiners, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

**From:** [Leslie Inouye](#)  
**To:** [CPH Testimony](#)  
**Subject:** JOY B.Y. SHIMABUKU - DENTAL BOARD RE-APPOINTMENT  
**Date:** Monday, April 3, 2017 3:48:59 AM

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To whom it may concern ....

Am speaking on behalf of joy, the public member for this board.

Although my time with her has been short termed, I sense a person of dedication and integrity.

If you are looking for a square peg for a round hole, she is it.

Joy is not a yes person ..... but you will get as straight a shooter as you will ever come across.

She is not one to sugar coat anything .... but you will get her honest opinion .... and the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth ... from her perspective.

Personally, I would always appreciate and cherish someone who will give it to me straight

...  
whether or not i may agree with this person.

Please approve her for re-appointment.

Should you need any clarification or have questions, my work ph is 587-1502.

Mahalo and Aloha.

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**Joy Shimabuku: Board of Dental Examiners**

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

To continue serving the community Public Safety Health and Welfare.

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

To ensure consumer protection.

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

To maintain that all licensee are in compliance with the Hawaii State Laws and the Rules and regulation of the Board.

**(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.**

I practice consumer protection daily  
I have served on the Board of Cosmetology and also years later when the two Boards merged as one Board of Barbers and Cosmetology. I currently serve on the Advisory Board with Rico in Professional Asso. Member director

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

To represent the public in being their voice.

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

Integrity-true to myself, Objective based, Logical.

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

Consumer had a bad experience with a Dentist and I could direct her to the Office of Rico and that the Boards work to keep licensees in compliance with Laws and Rules

**(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?**

No. I would always recuse myself.