

GM 683

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, JULIETTE TULANG, for a term to expire 06-30-2019.

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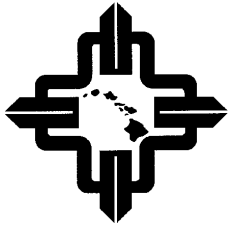
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Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair

Friday, April 7, 2017
Conference Room 229
9:00 a.m.
Hawaii State Capitol

Testimony in Support of GM 683, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, JULIETTE TULANG, for a term to expire 06-30-2019

Linda Rosen, M.D., M.P.H.
Chief Executive Officer
Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

As CEO for the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) and on behalf of the HHSC corporate board of directors, I am pleased to offer our **strong support** for Governor's Message No. 683 nominating Juliette M. Tulang to the HHSC Board of Directors for a second term.

The HHSC Board of Directors appreciates the background and experience that Ms. Tulang brings to the Board. Having attended high school at Honokaa High School, Ms. Tulang furthered her education at Linfield College in Oregon with an emphasis on education and early childhood development and nutrition. She was a teacher in her early career, then went on to positions with the County of Hawaii, Department of Parks and Recreation working in the Elderly Activities Division. From then on she steadily rose in positions of responsibility until she became Director of the Department.

The experiences she had in her career as a teacher and County Department Director would be valuable alone to the Board, but Ms. Tulang went on to gain additional experience in her position with the Hawaii Community Foundation, Hawaii Island Office in marketing and development. After retiring she went on to volunteer for a myriad of positions in the community the most relevant of which was her service as President of the Hilo Medical Center Foundation. Ms. Tulang's experience and dedication to community service have made her an excellent board member. She has continued as an effective advocate in HHSC's efforts to obtain support for our facilities and programs and has participated fully in Board committees.

In summary, we ask for your favorable consideration of Mr. Tulang's nomination to a second term as we look forward to our continued work together on behalf of the communities HHSC serves.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

From: [Kurt Corbin](#)
To: [CPH Testimony](#)
Subject: GM # 683 Recommendation of Juliette Tulang
Date: Friday, March 31, 2017 7:14:51 AM

Dear Senator Baker and Committee Members:

On behalf of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) East Hawaii Regional Board , I am pleased to recommend Ms. Juliette Tulang for the At-Large position on the HHSC Corporate Board.

Ms. Tulang has demonstrated an exemplary level of commitment to the healthcare needs of the East Hawaii Region through her leadership as Member and current Chair of the Hilo Medical Center Foundation. The Foundation is the source of philanthropic support for the hospital and the healthcare needs for our Community. Throughout the years, they have raised funds to purchase equipment, up-date and renovate rooms and improve the capabilities of our staff to provide superior patient experiences. Under her leadership, the Foundation has mobilized community education and support for the Family Medicine Residency Program, raised substantial financial commitments to underwrite unfunded expenses for the Program.

Among her many avenues of community service I would point her leadership in the following: American Cancer Society Board, University of Hawaii- Hilo Athletic Booster Club, Hawaii Island Food Bank Chair, Arthritis Foundation Board, The Salvation Army Board and the Hawaii Heart Association Board.

Her professional career encompassed over 25 years of public service to the County of Hawaii as in Director-level positions for the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Ms. Tulang has served the East Hawaii Community and our Board is honored to recommend her for a seat on the HHSC Corporate Board. If given the opportunity we are confident that she will serve as an effective Steward of the State's public hospital system and as conscientious Advocate for the safety net healthcare interests of all residents of our State.

Sincerely,

Kurt Corbin
East Hawaii Regional Board Chair
Hawaii Healthcare Systems Corporation

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March 31, 2017

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, CPN Chair
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Dear Senator Baker:

**SUBJECT: Letter of Support for Juliette Tulang's Appointment to the
Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Board-At-Large Position-G.M. #683**

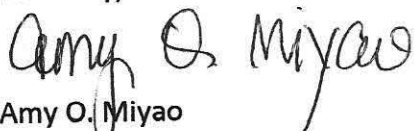
It is with great pleasure that I submit this letter of support for Juliette "Julie" Tulang. She has been a supervisor, friend and, most importantly, a mentor to me. I have known Julie for over 25 years and can say that my life has truly been enriched by her close friendship that continues till today.

I first met Julie in my capacity as the Parks and Recreation Personnel Specialist, when she was the Nutrition Specialist with the Elderly Activities. She impressed me with her strong work ethic, even temperament, and passion for the concerns of the Elderly. When she was appointed as the Deputy Director, then Director for the Parks and Recreation Department with 600+ employees, she tried to learn every aspect of the each division's operations. She made it a point to learn the department's budget, line by line, so that she knew what the each division needed and could do without, thereby making her a strong advocate when she faced the County Council each year. As the Deputy and/or Director, she got deeply involved in the personnel aspect of the job, took the time to meet with the staff, hear their concerns, and found mutually agreeable solutions to many problems, e.g. staffing, equipment, morale, budget, etc. She was a hands-on administrator, but also respected each Division Head. Julie would address internal conflicts when needed, but did so very tactfully that both parties felt they were winners. Her forte in this area was that she was a tireless worker who was a team player, forging strong loyalties and trust among all staff levels.

Julie's passion to make Hawaii County a better place has been a life-long commitment, as she was active in many service organizations and has continued serving in various capacities in community organizations, such as 4H, Zonta, Hilo Medical Center Foundation Board, Sub-Area Health Planning Council-Hawaii Island, American Health Association Board, American Cancer Society Board, and Hawaii Island Food Bank, to name a few. In the past nine years, she has been an advocate at the Legislature and in the community for financial support for the Primary Care Training Program on Hawaii Island.

I am confident that Julie will continue to work hard for responsible health care for Hawaii Island and the State. Please give her your utmost consideration for this appointment.

Sincerely,



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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Douglass Adams	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I wholeheartedly support Julie Tulang's nomination to the HHSC Board. She is the right person for this position.

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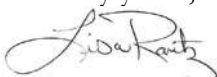
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It is with great pleasure that I submit this letter of support for Juliette Tulang. Juliette is level headed, thorough and fair in everything she undertakes. She earns the respect of those around her by steadfastly supporting the causes she undertakes. As past president and board of trustee of the Hilo Medical Center Foundation, she worked tirelessly over the past eight years to build the organization to a new level. Juliette continues to be a strong advocate at the state Legislature and in the community for financial support for the Primary Care Training Program; the only residency program located outside of Oahu.

In her professional career, Juliette worked as a County of Hawaii Administrator in the position of Deputy Director and Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation and Coordinator of the island-wide Elderly Nutrition Program. As a volunteer, Juliette volunteered in different phases of health and wellness, such as the Hilo Medical Center Foundation Board, Sub-Area Health Planning Council-Hawaii Island, American Health Association Board, American Cancer Society Board and Hawaii Island Food Bank just to name a few.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Lisa Rantz
BOOKKEEPER/ ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Patty Bray

I know Juliette will work hard for responsible quality health care for our island and the state of Hawaii.

Sincerely yours,


Lisa Rantz

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Juliette Tulang: Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation

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

I am interested on serving on the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Board as an at-large member. Throughout my professional career and my volunteer experiences, I have been involved in different phases of health and wellness, such as the Hilo Medical Center Foundation Board, Elderly Nutrition program, American Cancer Society Board and Hawaii Island Food Bank to name a few.

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

I believe my role and responsibly as a board member is to work toward the provision of accessible, quality health care, centered on the patient throughout the HHSC system that is cost-effective. HHSC is making a conscious effort toward that goal.

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

I served on the Hilo Medical Center Foundation Board for nine years; this provided first hand awareness of the health needs of people in our community who do not have a primary care physician. I feel the need to be part of the team that advocates for basic health care in our rural communities.

(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 worked with Elderly for 25 years as the Director of the Congregate Dining and Home Delivery Meals program for County of Hawaii. (Island wide responsibility)
- Deputy Director and Director of Department of Parks & Recreation, County of Hawaii (9 years); a department that provided a variety of program from birth to death.
- President (3 years) and board member of the Hilo Medical Center Foundation for nine (9) years; this provided a view of the programs and services provided by Hilo Medical Center; contrasted by health care needs of community members.

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

First, to be the voice of the people for local high quality and compassionate health care services through out HHSC facilities. Second, to reassure our community

that HHSC does provide very good basic health care and one need not go off island for high quality health care.

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

1. Strong organizational skills.
2. Aware of the needs in our rural communities.
3. Leadership experience at various levels.

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

1. Currently on the HHSC Corporate board (1.5 years)
2. Chairman of Hilo Medical Center Foundation Board of Trustees (3 years)
3. Director (2 years), Deputy Director (7 years) [two difference administrations] for County of Hawaii Department of Parks & Recreation
4. Program Director for Elderly Nutrition Program for County of Hawaii.
5. UH Extension Home Economist-Maui (2 years)
6. President of Chinese Civic Association of Hawaii (current)
7. Member of Hawaii Island Chamber of Commerce
8. Former Rotary Club Member
9. Former 4-H Leader (12 years); Livestock Committee Chair (5 years)

(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?

I do not see nor anticipate any conflict of interest situations as related to the HHSC Corporate Board appointment.