

STATE OF HAWAII  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 733  
A MESSAGE RE-APPOINTING MR. WILLIAM ANONSEN TO THE HAWAII ADVISORY  
COUNCIL ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

PRESENTATION TO  
THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY  
AFFAIRS (PSM)

BY

VERN T. MIYAGI  
Administrator, Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA)

Chair Nishihara and Vice-Chair Wakai and Committee Members.

Aloha - I am Vern T. Miyagi, Administrator of Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA). I am providing testimony in **STRONG SUPPORT** of Mr. William Anonsen's re-appointment to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management (HACEM). As the HACEM chair, Mr. Anonsen has provided superb leadership in coordinating and guiding HI-EMA's efforts in support of the counties. His extensive background in local, national, and international maritime operations has contributed significantly in our plan updates on port restoration operations. We need him on the HACEM.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony in **STRONG SUPPORT** of Mr. William Anonsen's re-appointment to the HACEM.

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Chamber of Commerce HAWAII  
*The Voice of Business*

**Testimony to the Senate Committee on  
Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs  
Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 1:15 P.M.  
Conference Room 229, State Capitol**

**RE: GOVERNOR'S MESSAGES 733 SUBMITTING FOR  
CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE HAWAII ADVISORY COUNCIL  
ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT,  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, WILLIAM ANONSEN**

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee:

The Chamber of Commerce Hawaii ("The Chamber") **supports** the confirmation of Mr. William Anonsen to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

The Chamber is Hawaii's leading statewide business advocacy organization, representing about 2,000+ 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.

William Anonsen is currently the Managing Partner/Principal of The Maritime Group, LLC. He has worked in the maritime industry for the past 40 years, engaged in all aspects of the industry, including port development, ship husbandry, port logistics and marine transportation, cargo and cruise ship operations, legislative oversight, regulatory compliance and maritime security. For the past 15 years, The Maritime Group has expanded its global consultancy services with regional offices and partners in Seattle, London, Singapore and Brisbane providing a diverse range of maritime related services and project management assistance to public and private sector agencies and companies globally.

Bill currently serves on a variety of community and industry organizations, from the Coast Guard Foundation Board of Trustees and the Federal Law Enforcement Foundation Board of Directors, to the University of Hawaii's Travel Industry Management School Advisory Board and the Hawaii Emergency Preparedness Executive Consortium.

He has served on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management for the past six years and is currently its Chair. He has proven to be an effective leader of this organization, combining his vast array of management experiences with in-depth disaster and emergency planning expertise. We believe he will continue to serve its members with distinction if given the opportunity for another 4-year term.

We appreciate the opportunity to submit this testimony in support of his nomination.



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**TESTIMONY of GEORGE PRITCHARD  
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT CLEAN ENERGY SOLUTIONS  
IN SUPPORT of GM 733**

**BEFORE THE SENATE  
COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY,  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY  
AFFAIRS**

Tuesday, April 11, 2017, 1:15 p.m.  
Public Hearing – State Capitol, Conference Room 229

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Clean Energy Solutions is a company committed to supporting efforts of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency mission statement to help the Hawai'i Ohana prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters and emergencies. In Clean Energy Solutions operating affairs in Hawaii we have had the privilege of working with Mr. Anonsen on various matters both on a personal and professional level and have found his passion, values and integrity to be of the highest level. Also, realizing his "kipona aloha" for the Hawaiian people, Clean Energy Solutions believes Mr. Anonsen is the ideal individual to again chair the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

We understand that we are living in a new world that requires new thinking and approaches to emergency management and have always found Mr. Anonsen to be a supporter and collaborator of innovation yet keeping the mission of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency at the forefront of various strategy.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in strong support of GM 733

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Sincerely,

*George Pritchard*

George Pritchard  
Executive Vice President

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Sincerely,

*George Pritchard*

George Pritchard  
Executive Vice President

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**GM733**

Submitted on: 4/7/2017

Testimony for PSM on Apr 11, 2017 13:15PM in Conference Room 229

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Jeff Overton	Group 70 International, Inc.	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Legislators: We hereby support the Gubernatorial Nominee William Anonsen for appointment to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. Mr. Anonsen is one of the most experienced professionals in Hawaii regarding the vital transshipment of goods and cargo through Hawaii's system of harbors and ports. This is an essential aspect of emergency management. We believe Bill will continue to serving the State very well in this capacity. Mahalo, Jeffrey Overton, Principal Planner, Group 70 International, Inc. dba G70.

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Testimony before the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Tuesday, April 11, 2017  
1:15 pm

On GM 733

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM ANONSEN, for a term to expire 06-30-2021

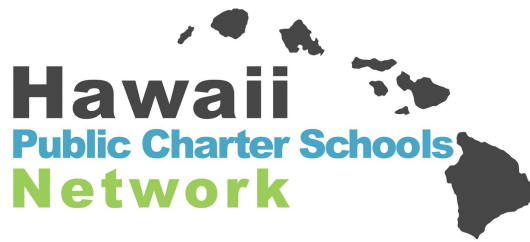
By Ronald Cox  
Senior Vice President of Operations  
Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Ronald Cox, and I am testifying on the behalf of the Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc. and its subsidiaries, Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc. and Maui Electric Company, Limited (collectively, the Hawaiian Electric Companies) in support of the reappointment of William "Bill" Anonsen to serve on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

Mr. Anonsen's leadership on the council and support for the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HiEMA) and our statewide first responders has strengthened civil defense systems in the State of Hawaii. Mr. Anonsen's background in maritime operations and knowledge of Hawaii's transportation limitations will continue to support emergency management planning and execution in both the public and private sectors as we all work to maintain our emergency preparedness and strengthen Hawaii's resilience. His vision and innovative approach to problem solving are aligned with Hawaiian Electric Companies' strategies in serving our customers.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.



April 11, 2017

To: Honorable Clarence Nakashima, Chair  
Honorable Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair  
Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

From: Jeannine Souki, Executive Director  
Hawaii Public Charter Schools Network

Re: **GM 733 - Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM ANONSEN, for a term to expire 06-30-2021 - SUPPORT**

**Conference Room 229 – Hawaii State Capitol – April 11, 2017, 1:15 PM**

On behalf of the Hawaii Public Charter School Network (HPCSN), I respectfully testify in support of GM 733, consideration and confirmation of William Anonsen to serve another term on the Hawaii Advisory Council for Emergency Management.

I have known Mr. Anonsen for a number of years and see his dedication to improving our state in numerous ways as a professional and leader in our community.

Drawing upon his significant expertise in maritime operations, Mr. Anonsen provides a unique and important perspective to the state. If confirmed to serve a second term, he no doubt will continue to support the statewide work of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency and our state's first responders. As an advisor to the Council, I know Mr. Anonsen is committed to collaborating with partners and stakeholders in both the public and private sector on matters that serve to strengthen and promote a vital civil defense system in the State of Hawaii.

Thank you for your consideration of Mr. Anonsen's appointment.



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### Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

Public Hearings, April 11, 2017, 1:15 pm  
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

Subject: In Support of Governor's Message No. 733

Aloha Chair Nishihara, Vice-Chair Wakai and Committee Members,

My name is Cheryl Uyehara and I testify in strong support for the Nomination of Mr. William F. Anonsen to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

I have known Mr. Anonsen for over 30 years in various capacities such as serving on committee's for maritime events and functions in the industry and most recently with the United States Coast Guard Foundation for the past 12 years.

I have continued my relationship with Bill over the years, as we both stayed involved with industry events and meetings. He is a great community leader and is committed to development and implementation of emergency management plans.

I am very confident that he will serve well in the upcoming appointment and has the competence, practical knowledge, and dedication to the people of Hawaii.

Your affirmative confirmation of his nomination for reappointment to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management is appreciated and supported by me.

Warm regards,

Cheryl Uyehara  
Executive Assistant & HR Representative



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April 10, 2017

Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair  
and Members  
Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental & Military Affairs  
State Capitol  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Subject: **Support for Confirmation of William F. Anonsen (Bill)  
to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management**

Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee,

It is with great pleasure to offer this letter of strong support for Bill Anonsen's nomination to be reappointed to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. I have known Bill for many years in my previous careers. He has been a tremendous contributor to all sectors of the government, federal, state and local.

I have had the opportunity to work with Bill on various projects as State Harbors Deputy Director and as President of Hawaii Stevedores, Inc. in the past. Our relationship in Hawaii has been both on a professional and personal level. I first met Bill when he was Vice President with American Classis Voyages and I was the President of Hawaii Stevedores.

Bill provided excellent insight to federal maritime regulations as well as Harbor initiatives. He is well versed and knowledgeable in the maritime and transportation industry and spends a great deal of time helping and contributing to others in the State of Hawaii.

Your affirmative confirmation of his nomination for reappointment is encouraged by the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Randy Grune  
Regional Manager



April 11, 2017

**TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS  
ON GM 733 RELATING TO Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM ANONSEN**

Thank you Chair Nishihara and committee members. I am Gareth Sakakida, Managing Director of the Hawaii Transportation Association (HTA) with over 400 transportation related members throughout the state of Hawaii.

HTA supports William Anonsen as the Governor's nominee to the to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

Anonsen has worked in the maritime industry for the past 40 years, engaged in all aspects of the maritime industry, including; port development, ship husbandry, port logistics and marine transportation, cargo and cruse ship operations, legislative oversight, regulatory compliance and maritime security.

His special background includes: admiralty case assistance, advanced maritime data systems, disaster/emergency planning, expert witness testimonies, intermodal transportation, investigative research, legislative oversight, marine cargo planning, maritime security, port development, project management, regulatory compliance, research project assistance, specialized cargo movements, terminal management, vessel husbandry, and vessel management assistance.

Anonsen's long tenure in Hawaii and extensive background with the maritime industry, an industry steeped in security requirements, coupled with his involvement with organizations like the Coast Guard Foundation, Federal Law Enforcement Foundation, Hawaii Emergency Preparedness Executive Consortium, Hawaii Ocean Safety Team, and State Law Enforcement Coalition affords him a unique background to be a valuable asset to our emergency preparedness.

Thank you.



## HAWAII FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

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THE SENATE  
THE TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 2017

April 11, 2017

Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Testimony by  
Hawaii Fire Fighters Association

Governor's Message 733      Appointment of William Anonsen to the  
Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management

The Hawaii Fire Fighters Association (HFFA), Local 1463, IAFF, AFL-CIO, represents more than 1,900 professional active-duty and 800 retired fire fighters throughout the State. HFFA members are acutely familiar with preplanning and response activities of emergency responses. The HFFA, on behalf of our members, **strongly supports Governor's Message No. 733**, reappointing Mr. William Anonsen to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

Mr. Anonsen is a highly qualified appointee to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. The Council is charged to "confer and advise the governor in regards to matters pertaining to the emergency management" and Mr. Anonsen's experience and expertise in the maritime industry are tremendous resources in the overall discussion in the prevention, planning, mitigation and recovery missions related to "disasters or emergencies of unprecedented size and destructiveness resulting from natural or man-made hazards." The maritime industry is one of the critical lifelines to Hawaii providing goods and services to Hawaii's communities and Mr. Anonsen's perspective is extremely valuable in the discussion.

HFFA appreciates your Committee's favorable consideration of Mr. Anonsen's reappointment to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.



Ken Hayashida, P.E. | *President*  
Michael Hunnemann, P.E. | *Vice President*

April 7, 2017

EMAILED TESTIMONY

The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair  
The Honorable Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair, and Members of the Senate  
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street, Conference Room 229  
Honolulu, HI 96813

**Hearing Date: Tuesday, April 11, 2017, 1:15 p.m., Conference Room 229**

Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair, Honorable Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair, and Members of the  
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

**Subject: Consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management,  
Gubernatorial Nominee, William Anonsen, for a term to expire 06-30-2021**

Dear Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai, and Committee Members,

I am submitting testimony that I strongly support **Confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Council on  
Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee, William Anonsen, for a term to expire 06-30-2021.**

If confirmed to serve a second term, Mr. Anonsen pledges to continue supporting the ongoing stellar efforts of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency and our statewide first responders. In his advisory capacity he will continue to collaborate with our partners in both the public and private sector on matters that serve to strengthen and promote a vital civil defense system in the State of Hawaii.

As a multi-island state, we must remain vigilant to ensure processes and systems are in place that protects life and Hawai'i's unique finite resources. Cooperatively, we should and must continue our collaborative efforts in maintaining our emergency preparedness that strengthens Hawai'i's resilience. We are living in a new world that requires new thinking and approaches to emergency management.

Given his vast professional experience I am confident that Mr. Anonsen will be a tremendous asset to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs if he is appointed. Thank you for considering my testimony.

Sincerely,

Ken Hayashida  
President





THE SENATE  
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COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL &  
MILITARY AFFAIRS  
Senator Clarence Nishihara, Chair

4/11/2017  
Rm. 229, 1:15 PM

GM 733

Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee,

WILLIAM ANONSEN

Chair Nishihara and Members of this Committee, my name is Max Sword, here on behalf of Outrigger Hotels & Resorts in support of William (Bill) Anonsen to be on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

I have known Bill for over 20 years and have come to know him as a person who is true to his word. Bill is very knowledgeable on maritime issues and will be a great asset to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management, for the benefit of the State of Hawaii.

I urge your confirmation of his appointment and thank you again for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

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**GM733**

Submitted on: 4/10/2017

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Iain Wood	Pacific Shipyards International	Support	No

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April 10, 2017

## **Statement in Support of the Nomination of William F. Anonsen to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management**

My name is Michael Caswell and I am submitting testimony for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

I have known nominee William F. Anonsen (Bill) for the past 12 years. We first met during Pasha's entrance into the Hawaii market with relative business partners and vendors in the maritime industry. We have worked very closely since then serving on numerous Committees' on a regular basis.

Mr. Anonsen is a true professional and dedicates a lot of his time to the maritime community as well as the transportation infrastructure for trade, transportation and national defense. I whole-hearted give my highest recommendation as I believe he will be of great service to Hawaii and its residents.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on behalf of William F. Anonsen. I am hopeful you will agree that Mr. Anonsen is truly qualified to serve in this capacity.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Caswell  
Senior Vice President of Terminals  
Pasha Stevedoring and Terminals, L.P.



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April 10, 2017

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter in support of the nomination of Bill Anonsen to serve again on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. I know Bill as a business colleague in the maritime industry and as a friend because of that business relationship. I am confident Bill will continue to put his extensive practical maritime knowledge to work in maintaining and strengthening Hawaii's emergency preparedness. As a maritime professional for over 35 years, and President of a commercial diving, ocean engineering and marine construction company, I cannot think of anyone better suited to collaborating between the private and public sectors of our vital maritime industry.

With regards,

W. Patrick Ross  
President



Email: [communications@ulupono.com](mailto:communications@ulupono.com)

SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, & MILITARY AFFAIRS  
Tuesday, April 11, 2017 — 1:15 p.m. — Room 229

**Ulupono Initiative Strongly Supports GM 733, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Advisory Council on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee, William Anonsen, for a term to expire 6-30-2021**

Dear Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee:

We are Murray Clay, Kyle Datta, and Amy Hennessey, the management team of the Ulupono Initiative, a Hawai'i-based impact investment firm that strives to improve the quality of life for the people of Hawai'i by working toward solutions that create more locally produced food; increase affordable, clean, renewable energy; and reduce waste. Ulupono believes that self-sufficiency is essential to our future prosperity and will help shape a future where economic progress and mission-focused impact can work hand in hand.

**Ulupono strongly supports GM 733**, which approves the confirmation of William Anonsen to the Hawai'i Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

William Anonsen has served on the Hawai'i Advisory Council on Emergency Management for six years including four years as the chairman. He has forty years experience in the maritime industry including the Merchant Marines, port operations, and the tourism industry. Given how vital our maritime connections are to the safety and resiliency of our State, we believe William Anonsen would be an excellent choice to continue to chair the Hawai'i Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

We are impressed with Mr. Anonsen's work and feel he would make a great member of the Hawai'i Advisory Council on Emergency Management. We look forward to working with him in the future.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Respectfully,

Murray Clay  
Managing Partner

Kyle Datta  
General Partner

*Investing in a Sustainable Hawai'i*



Amy Hennessey  
Director of Communications



April 10, 2017

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs  
Sen. Clarence Nishihara, Chair; Sen. Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair; Committee Members  
Public Hearing, April 11, 2017, 1:15 p.m., Conference Room 229

Subject: GM 733 (William Anonsen, Gubernatorial Appointment)  
(Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management)

My name is Carole Kai Onouye; I have a television company that's been producing local programming for 25 years. That is my for-profit company called Hawaii Stars Presents, Inc. My non-paid job is working on The Great Aloha Run for the past 33 years. Thru the years I've met many wonderful folk who care about others, have a tremendous work ethic, is good with people and have impeccable character traits!

Bill Anonsen is one of those Special Folk who is just the person I described! He's always helping people, he's friendly to everyone, he loves challenges, he volunteers for many projects, he's resourceful, he loves his wife and he has a can do attitude at all times.

Whatever Bill puts his mind to, he succeeds because failure is Not in his vocabulary! This is my friend, Bill Anonsen, and I'm proud to know him.

Sincerely,

*Carole Kai Onouye*

Carole Kai Onouye  
President, Great Aloha Run

# **RICHARD K. MINATOYA**

TESTIMONY  
ON  
GM 733 - CONFIRMATION OF WILLIAM ANONSEN  
HAWAII ADVISORY COUNCIL ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

April 11, 2017

The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara  
Chair  
The Honorable Glenn Wakai  
Vice Chair  
and Members  
Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee:

I strongly support GM 732, the confirmation of WILLIAM ANONSEN as a member of the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management (“HACEM”).

I am currently the Maui member of HACEM, but I am testifying as a private individual. Mr. Anonsen has served as the chair of HACEM for most of my tenure as a member. I truly believe that Mr. Anonsen has the knowledge, experience, expertise, and reliability to continue his service as the chair of HACEM. He is truly an asset to have as the chair.

Accordingly, I request that the committee RECOMMENDS CONFIRMATION to the full Senate.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to testify.





**Testimony in Strong Support of GM 733--  
*Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Council  
on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee William Anonsen, for a  
term to expire 06-30-2021***

**Testimony by David H. Rolf provided to the  
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs  
for the public hearing 1:15 p.m. Tuesday, April 11, 2017  
in Conference Room 229**

**Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai and Members of the Committee:**

**It is an honor and a pleasure, as a longtime member of the Hawaii business community, to provide testimony in strong support of Mr. William Anonsen for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.**

**I've known Mr. Anonsen for many years and have a profound respect for his unique combination of experience, knowledge and good judgment.**

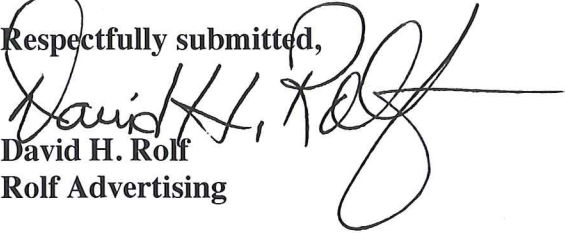
**Mr. Anonsen, as managing partner/principal of The Maritime Group, has had the opportunity to work with many of the agencies that provide services related to public safety.**

**He is committed to serving his community and is seeking to serve a second term on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management, having just completed a previous term.**

**His service and membership on councils, professional organizations and community organizations includes:** Hawaii Emergency Preparedness Consortium (HEPEC) - Member and Maritime Advisor • Hawaii Ocean Safety Team (HOST) - Board Member and Advisor • Hawaii Visitors & Convention Bureau - Board Member (former) • Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council • Honolulu Community College - Executive Advisory Council Member • National Association of Counties - Maritime Affairs & Ports Task Force • State Law Enforcement Coalition (SLEC) - Member and Maritime Advisor • State of Hawaii - DOT Commercial Harbors Task Force • University of Hawaii-Travel Industry Management School - Board Member • USCG Area Maritime Security Committee (AMSC), Executive Board - Vice Chair. **Professional Affiliations:** • American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) - Member • American Highway Users Alliance (AHUA) - Member • Association of Pacific Ports (APP) - Member • Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii-Maritime Committee, Vice Chair • Federal Law Enforcement Foundation (FLEF) – Board of Directors • Hawaii Highway Users Alliance (HHUA) - Board of Directors • Hawaii Ship Agent's Association (HSAA) - President • Hawaii State Ethics Commission - Registered

Lobbyist • Hawaii Transportation Association (HTA) - Member • JBG Corporation - Board of Directors • Kalaeloa Barbers Point Harbor Advisory Council (KBPH) – Chairperson • Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC) - Member • Propeller Club of the U.S.- Port of Honolulu, 1st Vice President • Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers - Member • United States Navy League - Honolulu Council-Board of Directors, Life Member **Community Organizations:** • Boy Scouts of America • Coast Guard Foundation • D.A.R.E.- Hawaii - Board of Governors • MARIMED Foundation, Trustee - Board of Director • National Maritime Historical Society - Member • Special Olympics • The 200 Club • University of Hawaii Alumni Association

**The committee’s favorable consideration and confirmation of Mr. William Anonsen to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management will allow Hawaii to continue to have proven leadership and experience on this key council.**

Respectfully submitted,  
  
David H. Rolf  
Rolf Advertising



Honorable Ronald Kouchi, President  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Subj: Testimony supporting William Anonsen for Serving on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management

Dear Sirs:

I strongly support and recommend the nomination of William Anonsen to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

I have known and worked with Mr. Anonsen for many years. He has the passion and desire to serve the State of Hawaii and residents along with the drive to make a difference. He has long been concerned with the elements of emergency response to disasters in the State for years.

We have worked together on emergency management projects over the years from small to large scale. I previously served as the US Coast Guard, Captain of the Port in Honolulu and worked alongside Mr. Anonsen and others in the maritime community. I have a great respect for the challenges posed by being remote from emergency support and the resources necessary to properly respond to emergencies. Even more so, I am fully aware of the proper planning to ensure proper execution of emergency plans.

I can think of no one else more qualified to serve and assist the State of Hawaii as it continues to pursue mitigation measures to protect the citizens.

If I can provide further information or more information is necessary, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Frank Whipple".

Frank Whipple, Captain, USCG (ret)  
President

**BEFORE THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY,  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS**

Tuesday, April 11, 2017; 1:15 PM

**TO:** The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair  
The Honorable Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair  
And Members of the Committee on Public Safety,  
Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

**FROM:** Ross S. Sasamura, P.E.

**SUBJECT:** ***TESTIMONY ON GM733** – Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM ANONSEN, for a term to expire 06-30-2021.*

Good afternoon Committee Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai and Committee Members. I ask for your favorable consideration and am in full support of the confirmation of Mr. William Anonsen to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

I have known Mr. Anonsen for a number of years and worked more closely with him in the last three (3) years through my affiliation with the Federal Law Enforcement Foundation. He is extremely knowledgeable and experienced with maritime matters, particularly as they apply to operations, safety, security, and emergency management.

Our state is heavily reliant upon maritime operations to sustain the health and well-being of our residents and visitors. We need highly qualified people with the skills and expertise like Mr. Anonsen to ensure our State emergency preparation, response, and recovery plans are appropriate to address current and projected threats. His extensive experience in maritime operations is critical to the protection of our ports from natural and man-made threats as well as the expeditious restoration of logistics infrastructure vital to support and sustain recovery efforts.

Mr. Anonsen is a leader in his industry and the many organizations he actively participates in, and supports. He regularly exhibits selfless dedication and initiative in spearheading community projects. Especially noteworthy is his accomplishment in securing and coordinating the resources necessary to provide much needed shoes and socks for a public school track and basketball team that were previously at a severe disadvantage or unable to compete due to inadequate footwear.

I humbly ask for your support in confirming Mr. Anonsen not only for the skills, knowledge and experience he has, but the character, integrity, and selflessness that he consistently demonstrates.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.



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April 10, 2017

Hawaii State Legislature  
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Re: PSM 04-11-17/GM 733

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

It is my pleasure to offer a few words in support of Mr. William (Bill) F. Anonsen, as the Committee considers his reappointment to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

I have known Bill for many years due to our mutual work within the maritime community and specifically in Hawaii. His reputation within this community is one of the highest regard. His love, devotion and respect for the community in Hawaii and protection of the people, the culture and the environment is reflective of his high standards.

For the last seven years, I have had the distinct pleasure of serving with Bill on the Coast Guard Foundation (CGF) Board of Trustees and this is where I have really been made aware of Bill's commitment to people. His support and interest in assisting U.S. Coast Guard personnel and their families while stationed in Hawaii is an inspiration to all. He has worked tirelessly in this capacity to offer assistance, provide information, raise money, or share support when needed and he encourages others to get involved and support the local Coast Guard community as well.

His support and engagement with the Coast Guard Foundation to these Coast Guard "first responders" in Hawaii has assisted the children of enlisted personnel with college scholarships; provided recreational and morale equipment for USCG Cutters engaged in long deployments or helped to build a fitness facility at the Sector in Honolulu; and helped the Coast Guard family –shipmates and family members -- grieve a loss and then begin the healing process together through the support of the CGF and people like Bill.

In short, Bill is an individual who cares – about the community he lives in, the State of Hawaii, the maritime community, the environment and all those who keep us safe. He is collaborative in his actions and engages wonderfully across the public and private sector.

I thank you for your time and consideration of my letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Judith A. Roos". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.



April 11, 2017

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS**

Sen. Clarence Nishihara, Chair; Sen. Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair; and Committee Members  
Public Hearing, April 11, 2017, 1:15 p.m. – Conference Room 229

**TESTIMONY OF NOMINEE WILLIAM F. ANONSEN**  
**IN SUPPORT of GM 733 GUBERNATORIAL REAPPOINTMENT**  
**( HAWAII ADVISORY COUNCIL ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT )**

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Glenn Wakai and distinguished members of the Committee, my name is William F. Anonsen, I'm the Managing Partner/Principal of The Maritime Group, and have had the privilege of serving our multi-island state on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management (HACEM), soon to complete a 4-year term. I'm honored to accept this gubernatorial nomination to continue my service on the HACEM currently serving as its chair.

If confirmed, I bring to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management my 40-years of business experience and an extensive working knowledge of all facets of the maritime transportation industry and emergency preparedness, response and operational continuity and recovery. As an island state that is largely dependent on waterborne transportation with over 85% of our consumables being imported and over 95% of these imports arriving by ocean carriers, having a member with maritime experience on the council provides a needed viewpoint and understanding of these elements of critical infrastructure and resources.

As a multi-island state, we must remain vigilant to ensure processes and systems are in place that protects life and Hawaii's unique finite resources. Cooperatively, we should and must continue our collaborative efforts in maintaining our emergency preparedness that strengthens Hawaii's resilience. We are living in a new world that requires new thinking and approaches to emergency management. During my first term, our advisory council's collective efforts have contributed to the successful execution of some of the elements in support of this needed transition which is helping to improve and maintain the quality of live in Hawaii.

In its advisory capacity, I pledge to continue to support the ongoing stellar efforts of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA) and our statewide first responders and collaborate with our partners in both the public and private sector on matters that serve to strengthen and promote a vital emergency management system in our multi-island state.

**Mahalo for the opportunity to serve and the consideration of my nomination**

Respectfully,

*William F. Anonsen*

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DR. AND MRS. EDISON H. MIYAWAKI

April 7, 2017

The Honorable Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair  
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs  
State Capitol  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Nishihara,

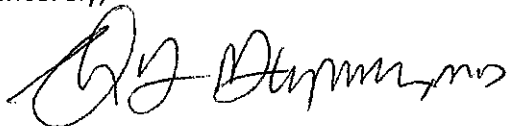
The following is an enthusiastically strong letter of recommendation for MR. WILLIAM F. ANONSEN, who is in the process at present of applying for the position at the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

I have known Bill for just shy of a decade. In our closest working relationship, we worked on the Honolulu Police Community Foundation, on the FBI Citizens Academy, on the Federal Law Enforcement Foundation and the Chaminade University Board of Trustees.

Currently, Bill is Managing Partner, Principal of the Maritime Group. He has been in the position for a relatively long period of time. He has been recognized favorably and (importantly) globally. And he has carefully cultivated relations both at home, on Mainland, and abroad during his current stint as Managing Director and Principal.

Honest, hardworking and committed, I place my support fully and without qualification behind WILLIAM F. ANONSEN, based precisely on past successes. Needless to say, I recommend him to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management in the strongest possible way, and would be glad to answer any questions you might have.

Sincerely,



Edison H. Miyawaki, M.D.  
Co-Owner of Cincinnati Bengals

To: Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair  
Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

From: Galen Yoshimoto

Date: April 11, 2017

Subject: **Governor's Message 733, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM ANONSEN, for a term to expire 06-30-2021.**

Aloha Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai and the members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs:

I submit this testimony in **support** of the nomination of **WILLIAM ANONSEN** to serve another term on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

During my employment at the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, I had the opportunity to work with Mr. Anonsen. He has proven his ability to work with a variety of individuals and agencies to improve emergency response in our state. His leadership has been instrumental to the increased effectiveness of the council.

I ask the committee to recommend the confirmation of **WILLIAM ANONSEN** for another term on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony in support of this gubernatorial nomination.



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April 10, 2017

The Honorable Ronald Kouchi, President  
And Members of the Senate  
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 9681 3

Dear Senate President Kouchi and Members of the Senate:

I am submitting testimony for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM ANONSEN, for a term to expire 06-30-2021.

I have known Mr. William F. Anonsen for over 15 years and can affirm that no one in the state of Hawaii has a better level of knowledge in the field of our civil defense system than Mr. Anonsen, and I endorse his confirmation. Because Hawai'i is a multi-island state, we need someone highly experienced and professional - like Mr. Anonsen - who can unite all the islands as one and help create policies and procedures that result in everyone within the Committee on Public Safety being on the same page. Further, by confirming Mr. Anonsen, all citizens will know that they continue to have an agency they can trust when serious emergencies arise.

Sincerely,

Maki Kuroda  
CEO/President E Noa Corporation and Waikiki Trolley

Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs  
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair  
Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair

Tuesday, April 11, 2017, 1:15 PM

RE: GM 733, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM ANONSEN, for a term to expire on 06-30-2021.

Aloha Chair Nishihara, Vice-Chair Wakai and members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs. My name is Charles Toguchi and I'm providing written testimony in support of William (Bill) Anonsen. Mr. Anonsen has served on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management for the past six years...and served as the Committee Chair for the past four years.

In my interaction with Bill for over 19 years, he has always impressed me as a person of high integrity and ethics. He is a man of action and proven leadership. He loves Hawaii and is always working to ensure that processes and systems are in place to help protect Hawaii's finite resources. I am confident that Bill will continue his stellar efforts to collaborate with our partners in both the public and private sectors on matters that serve to strengthen and promote a vital civil service system in our State. We need Bill Anonsen's continued leadership on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

Without any reservations, I strongly urge your favorable consideration of William Anonsen's nomination. Thank you very much for the opportunity to present this testimony.

Aloha,  
Charles T. Toguchi

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Testimony for PSM on Apr 11, 2017 13:15PM in Conference Room 229

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
sheldon lehman	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Dear Senators, I am writing today to support William Anonsen on his appointment to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. I have served on the council for the last term and Bill has been the chairman the entire time. Bills leadership has been invaluable to the council and I would like to see him continue in that position, Thank you for your consideration, Sheldon Lehman

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**Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs**  
**Public Hearings, April 11, 2017, 1:15pm. Conference Room 229, State Capitol**

**Subject: In support of Governor's Message 733**

**Aloha Chair Nishihara, Vice-Chair Wakai and Committee Members,**

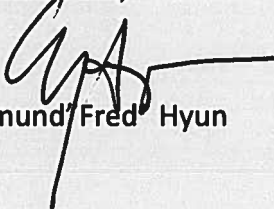
**My name is Edmund "FRED" Hyun. I speak as an individual in unequivocal support for Governor Ige's nomination of William F. Anonsen to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.**

**I know two sides of Bill, one as a maritime consultant and the other as a dear friend. Maritime is Bill's passion, his life. In the maritime arena, Bill is the "local" expert known by all statewide, nationally and internationally. Bill's expertise is immeasurable and credentials impeccable. Not only does he display a high degree of competency and professionalism, Bill addresses stressful situations with true diplomacy and tact. He maintains a totally positive outlook and never has a negative word about anyone. He carries these qualities into his personal life and is generous with his time helping and contributing to others in the business and non-profit organizations.**

**I first met Bill when he was the Director of Port Operations with Norwegian Cruise Lines (NCL) and I was with Akal Security. Bill provided excellent insights as to federal maritime regulations as well as harbor security. I also know Bill as he and his wife, Marcia Anton are supporters of KickStart Karate, a non-profit organization for children and youth as well as the Honolulu Police Community Foundation.**

**I fully endorse and encourage this committee to forward William "Bill" Anonsen to the Senate for confirmation.**

**Mahalo Piha,**

  
**Edmund Fred Hyun**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
ann chung	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I would like to express my support for the nomination of William Anonsen to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management for the term expiring on June 30, 2021. I have known Bill for many years and he has always been an exceptional strategic thinker. He has already served 6 successful years on this Council - 4 years as its Chair. If confirmed, I know he will continue to support the ongoing stellar efforts of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency and our statewide first responders. He will continue to collaborate with partners in both the public and private sector on matters that serve to strengthen and promote a vital civil defense system in the State of Hawaii. As a multi-island state, we must remain vigilant to ensure processes and systems are in place that protects life and Hawai'i's unique finite resources. Cooperatively, we should and must continue our collaborative efforts in maintaining our emergency preparedness that strengthens Hawaii's resilience. We are living in a new world that requires new thinking and approaches to emergency management. Bill has been and will continue to add tremendous value to this Council.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Andy Winer	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Dear Chair Nishimoto and Vice Chair Wakai: I am writing in my individual capacity to support Bill Anonsen's reappointment to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. I have known Bill for over 10 years, and he has done an exemplary job on this committee. Having worked on emergency management issues while serving the Obama Administration at NOAA and now in Senator Schatz's office, I understand the importance of this advisory committee. Bills background on maritime issues brings a unique and important perspective to the committee, and I would urge this Committee to approve his reappointment. Thank you for considering my comments.  
Andy Winer

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Darryll Wong	Individual	Support	No

Comments: My name is Darryll Wong. I was the prior TAG for the State of Hawaii. I would like to give my full support for the confirmation of William Anonsen for the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. I have known him for many years and his dedication and professionalism and work on this council has been exemplary. Mahalo for your consideration. Darryll Wong

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Eric Schiff	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support the approval of Gubernatorial Nominee Mr. WILLIAM ANONSEN to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. His work is exemplary and his experience is unsurpassed.

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Re: Testimony in relation to Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management, Gubernatorial Nominee, WILLIAM ANONSEN, for a term to expire 06-30-2021.

To: Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair,  
Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs

Dear Senator Nishihara:

Please accept this testimony in support of Mr. William Anonsen as Chairman of the Advisory Council on Emergency Management. I have known Mr. Anonsen for close to 35 years in his capacity as a businessman and leader in the Hawaii shipping industry. He is a man of exception integrity and honesty that will continue to be an exemplary representative of the people of Hawaii in this critical advisory post.

I can so testify since I also served on the Advisory Council (then Civil Defense) as a member and Chairman in the early 2000's. I am also a retired Chief Inspector with the Department of Homeland Security's Bureau of Customs and Border Protection. The Advisory Council is critical to responding to natural and man-made disasters that can severely affect our state. He has the skills, knowledge and attitude to serve Hawaii as it needs to be served

Mr. Anonsen will continue supporting the ongoing stellar efforts of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency and our statewide first responders. In his advisory capacity, he will continue to collaborate with our partners in both the public and private sector on matters that serve to strengthen and promote a vital civil defense system in the State of Hawaii.

As a multi-island state, we must remain vigilant to ensure processes and systems are in place that protects life and Hawaii's unique finite resources. Cooperatively, we should and must continue our collaborative efforts in maintaining our emergency preparedness that strengthens Hawaii's resilience. We are living in a new world that requires new thinking and approaches to emergency management.

Sincerely,

Creighton W. Goldsmith  
President, Akamai Global Consultants, LLC

cc: Mr. William Anonsen

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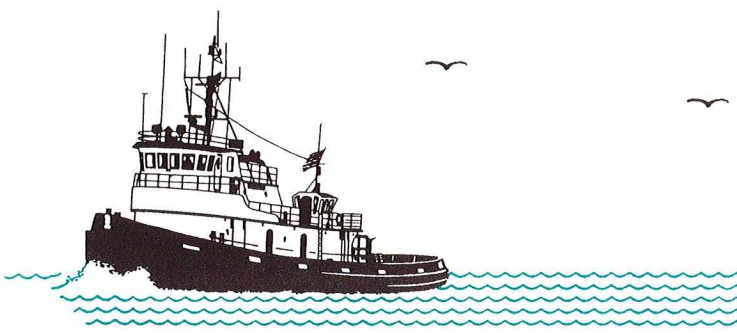
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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Melissa Pavlicek	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha! My name is Melissa Pavlicek. I am an attorney and small business owner in Honolulu. I am writing to strongly support the nomination of William Anonsen to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. I have known Mr. Anonsen in a personal and professional capacity, often working with him on a daily or weekly basis, for nearly ten years. He is diligent, thoughtful and community-service oriented. He has the highest degree of integrity. I have personally observed his commitment to projects like donating shoes to students who might not otherwise be able to compete in track meets and to helping establish Hawaii's law enforcement memorial. He is a mentor, a role model and an outstanding community leader. He will greatly contribute to the work of the Council and his service would be of benefit to the people of the state of Hawaii. Please confirm his nomination.

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Senate Committee on Public Safety  
Intergovernmental and Military Affairs  
Senator Clarence Nishihara, Chair; Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair  
Public Hearing, April 11, 2017 in Conference Room 229

Dear Governor David Ige

I wholeheartedly recommend William F. Anonsen to a second term on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management committee as an Oahu representative and currently serving as its chair.

I have known Mr. Anonsen for over 32 years. Bill and I have worked together in many capacities on the waterfront and within the maritime industry here in Hawaii. I know and believe Bill's experience and knowledge of all our ports here in Hawaii is indisputable. I feel Bill has a unique insight into the Issues and vulnerabilities that we face with our harbor's infrastructure.

On all fronts, I can attest to Bill's moral character and integrity. His leadership skills, managerial skills, experience, maturity and accomplishments in Hawaii's maritime industry speak for themselves. Couple these skills with his open communication style and his excellent people skills and you have an individual that will be of great benefit to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management team.

If you would like additional information about William F. Anonsen, please feel free to contact me via telephone at (808) 479-8582 or e-mail at [bradr@sause.com](mailto:bradr@sause.com).

Sincerely,

Brad C. Rimell  
Port Captain  
Sause Bros. Ocean Towing Co. Inc.



**Testimony in SUPPORT of  
Governor's Message 733  
Relating to the appointment of WILLIAM ANONSEN  
to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management**

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

Tuesday, April 11, 2017

1:15 PM

State Capitol, Conference Room 229

Honorable Chair Nishihara, Vice-Chair Wakai, and members of the committee,

I am honored to submit this testimony in support of William Anonsen's appointment to serve a second term on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. I am the Environmental Compliance Manager for Grace Pacific LLC, and have known Bill in a professional capacity for the past eight years. Through my personal experiences in working with Bill, I can attest to his depth of knowledge in the maritime industry, in both the private and public sectors. He is familiar with commercial harbor operations throughout the State of Hawaii, including the myriad tenants, vessels, and other harbor users. His knowledge and familiarity with the types of vessels and the cargoes carried to and from Hawaii, along with the capabilities of Hawaii's emergency response operations, will be an indispensable asset to the Council.

In addition to Bill's extensive experience in the maritime industry, he has a unique personality that is an especially desirable trait for public service. He is able to identify common ground and mutual interests between multiple parties, and successfully advocate for policy and business decisions that are mutually beneficial to all parties involved. Through this approach, he is able to leverage the capabilities and resources within the public and private sectors to forge cooperative agreements and partnerships.

With respect to the functions, duties, and powers of the Council, and Bill's experience demonstrated by his previous term, I support his nomination to a second term on the Council. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

Joseph Shacat

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Jan TenBruggencate	Individual	Support	No

Comments: My name is Jan TenBruggencate and I serve as the Kaua`i member of the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. In that capacity I have had the opportunity to serve with William Anonsen. His leadership of the Council has been informed and comprehensive. I urge your favorable consideration of his reappointment.

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COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair

Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair

**LETTER OF SUPPORT OF MR. WILLIAM F. ANONSEN**

For the Reappointment to Chair the Committee of the  
Advisory Council on Emergency Management

Honorable Senator Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai and Senators,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify and speaking in support of Mr. Bill Anonsen. From the little time of I know of Bill, I have high respect for his professionalism, regardless of what subject of discussion or matters of situation. I like his honesty and pragmatic approach and thinking. Bill is a true friend and stands behind firmly of his belief. This committee will do very well with Bill staying on a 2<sup>nd</sup> term. Mahalo.

Sincerely,

Alec Sou,  
General Manager  
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Reg White	Individual	Support	No

Comments: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair The Honorable Ronald Kouchi, President, And Members of the Senate Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 Dear Senate President Kouchi and Members of the Senate: I urge you to support the nomination of William Anonsen for re-appointment to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. This is a very important committee in order to assure our government and it's affected industries are at all times prepared for any emergency that may strike our Island Community. Mr Anonsen has proven himself to be a very visionary and organized advocate of these processes and is committed to making our environment and it's systems prepared to avoid, reduce or prevent almost any disaster that may approach us. This is an important committee and requires and deserves the best members we can provide to make it's task workable and dependable. I truly endorse and support the nomination of William Anonsen. Mahalo and Aloha, Reg White VP Project Development Paradise Cruise, Ltd. Honolulu, HI

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Senators Chair, Clarence Nishimoto, Vice-chair, Glenn Wakai, and Committee Members:

I am in full support of the Candidate for Chair of the Paroling Authority for the State of Hawai'i, Mr. Fred Hyun. Over the past several years, I have come to know Mr. Hyun as a dedicated Public Servant, a sincere Community Advocate, and a genuine human being with a sincere command of his thoughts and actions in conjunction with the proper respect and treatment of his fellow human beings.

Notwithstanding a continuum of mishaps and failure(s) and the **Corrections Systems'** best intentions, Fred Hyun's experiences and background in respect of his responsibilities regarding individuals who have broken the rules of conduct in certain categories, both in age and seriousness of offenses against man-made codes, has been able to retain both his objective responsibility in meteing out punishment but also gaining the respect of individuals placed under his care, direction and supervision. In short he has functioned as a community advocate in education and corrections in the true sense of the word in all his many endeavors!

While the common terms for places of incarceration have been changed from "**Jails and Prisons**" to **Community Corrections**



*Centers*, they have not, in fact, changed into facilities successfully modifying the personalities of the individuals to the point of carrying out the "Mantra" of well-intended, but, misnamed "Community Corrections Centers."

With Fred Hyun at the Helm of the Paroling Authority for Hawai'i, there is a greater possibility of success, in this regard! I, therefore, seek the full support Governor's Message 537! Respectfully submitted,

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Ronald Becker	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I would like to submit this reference in support of William Anonsen seeking reappointment with the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. I have known Bill for over ten years as a member of the Chaminade University Board of Regents and as friend and supporter of Chaminade's Criminal Justice Programs. He has been a steadfast friend of the program and a member of our Master's of Homeland Security Advisory Council. I have the greatest regard and trust in William and know he will serve the State as well as he has Chaminade University.

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Mike Vincent	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I have had the privilege of working closely with Bill Anonsen for over 15 years in his work with the maritime industry, our first responders, and the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. As long as I have known him, he has always worked to put the safety and interests of the community first in all that he does. What is amazing is that he has done this in the past while representing the maritime industry, where he did so in a manner of support and from the attitude of what the industry could do to help the community and our first responders. Bill has been a great asset to our state and the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management and I strongly recommend his confirmation for another term. Mahalo for your consideration  
Michael S. Vincent

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