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To: Senate Committee on Human Services

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Re: GM789 - Gubernatorial Nomination of Gwen Keliihoomalu for the State

Rehabilitation Council

Testimony in Strong Support

Chair, Senator Green, Vice Chair, Stanley Chang and members of the Committee on Human Services. I am here today to offer my professional and personal support for the reappointment of Gwen Keliihoomalu to the State Rehabilitation Council.

As a member to the council and a colleague of Gwen's, I have come to appreciate her perspective on various issues relating to DVR's delivery of services and how that service delivery model will change under the Work Opportunity Incentive Act now being implemented nationwide.

Gwen is a dedicated and valued member of the Council, and a strong advocate for DVR clients. Personally I am looking forward to working with Gwen for another three years.

Please move her nomination to the full Senate for consideration.

Most cordially,

George S. Massengale, JD