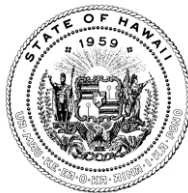


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Thursday, March 29, 2018
9:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 622, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JILL WAKABAYASHI, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2022.

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

My name is Alan Taniguchi and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Physical Therapy ("Board"), Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to testify on G.M. 622, regarding the **reappointment** of Jill Wakabayashi to the Board. The Department supports the confirmation of Ms. Wakabayashi's reappointment to the Board.

Ms. Wakabayashi has served on the Board since April 22, 2015, and has attended every meeting since her appointment. Ms. Wakabayashi obtained her Associate in Science degree as a physical therapist assistant ("PTA") from Kapiolani Community College in 1991 and was an Assistant Professor and PTA Program Director at Kapiolani Community College from 2002 to 2017. Her reappointment will ensure continuity of the Board's efforts to effectively oversee the practice of physical therapists and physical therapist assistants in Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the confirmation of Ms. Wakabayashi to the Board.



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Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda, and members of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,

I am Gregg Pacilio, PT and Board President of the Hawaii Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association (HAPTA), a non-profit professional organization serving more than 340 member Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants. Our members are employed in hospitals and health care facilities, the Department of Education school system, and private practice. We are movement specialists and are part of the spectrum of care for Hawaii, and provide rehabilitative services for infants and children, youth, adults and the elderly. Rehabilitative services are a vital part of restoring optimum functioning from neuromuscular and musculoskeletal injuries and impairments to improve and enrich quality of life.

HAPTA supports the nomination of Jill Wakabayashi as a member of the Board of Physical Therapy. Jill has been a long standing member of the Board of Physical Therapy and has the experience to continue representing the physical therapy community as well as the people of Hawaii in physical therapy care.

Please accept our letter of support for consideration and confirmation of Jill Wakabayashi. Feel free to contact us if you have any further questions.

From: [Nancy Kuboyama](#)
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Aloha

This letter is to highly recommend Jill Wakabayashi for the position of returning board member for the State of Hawaii Board of Physical Therapy.

I have known Jill for 9 years, as an instructor, mentor and colleague.

She has served in many capacities for the advancement of Physical Therapy in our community, including but not limited to guiding the careers of Physical Therapist Assistants as Program Director of the PTA program at KCC from 2003-2017, serving as a board member and past President of the Hawaii Parkinson's Association for over 10 years, board member for two years on the State of Hawaii Physical Therapy Board, and voting delegate on the federal FSBPT licensing board representing the State of Hawaii.

I have always been impressed with Jill's exemplary dedication, conscientiousness and caring for those who are in the profession and the patients that they treat. She has always maintained the highest ethical standards. She has nurtured students to develop their professional skills and cultivated their enthusiasm for lifelong learning.

It has been a privilege to learn from and work with her and I am confident that she would continue to be an asset to the board in the future.

Thank you
Nancy Kuboyama LPTA

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