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GCA of Hawaii

GENERAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF HAWAII

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February 13, 2018

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TO: HONORABLE DONNA MERCADO KIM, CHAIR, HONORABLE
RUSSELL RUDERMAN, VICE CHAIR, COMMITTEE ON
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

HONORABLE KAI KAHELE, CHAIR, HONORABLE DONNA
MERCADO KIM, VICE CHAIR, COMMITTEE ON HIGHER
EDUCATION

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF S.B. 2831 RELATING TO PROCUREMENT FOR
THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.** Reinstate the President of the
University of Hawaii as the chief procurement officer for contracts for
construction and construction related professional services furnished by
licensees under chapter 464, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 13, 2018
TIME: 1:30 P.M.
PLACE: Capitol Room 224

Dear Chair Mercado Kim, Chair Kahele, Vice Chair Ruderman and Members of the
Committees,

The General Contractors Association (GCA) is an organization comprised of over 500
general contractors, subcontractors, and construction related firms. The GCA was
established in 1932 and is the largest construction association in the State of Hawaii.
GCA's mission is to represent its members in all matters related to the construction
industry, while improving the quality of construction and protecting the public interest.

**GCA is in support of S.B. 2831, Relating to the Procurement of the University of
Hawaii** which proposes reinstate the President of the University of Hawaii as the chief
procurement officer for contracts for construction and construction related professional
services. The GCA through its Committee has worked with the University of Hawaii in
identifying ways to improve the delivery of university projects. The University of Hawaii
has been open to hearing feedback and identifying ways in which it can improve in the
execution of important repair and maintenance projects and new construction.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our support of S.B. 2831.