

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 15 2019

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 507

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 507, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

HAWAI'I BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

G.M. No. 507 CRAIG NISHIMOTO,
for a term to expire 06-30-2021,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Craig Nishimoto for service on the Hawaii Board of Veterinary Medicine.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Craig Nishimoto from the Hawaii Board of Veterinary Medicine and three individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Dr. Nishimoto's knowledge, background, and commitment to public service qualify him for appointment to the Hawaii Board of Veterinary Medicine as a licensee member. Your Committee notes that Dr. Nishimoto has been a licensed veterinarian in Hawaii since 1984 and is the owner of Paradise Animal Clinic in Kalaheo, Kauai. According to testimony received by your Committee, Dr. Nishimoto has extensive experience practicing large animal medicine and surgery and has particular expertise in the treatment of cancers. Dr. Nishimoto is also an active member of his community, including serving as an executive board member of the Rotary Club of Poipu Beach, organizing voluntary veterinary



missions to America Samoa and Cambodia, serving as a past President of the Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association, and previously serving on the Hawaii Board of Veterinary Examiners from 1997 to 2001. Your Committee further finds that Dr. Nishimoto has served as an interim member of the Hawaii Board of Veterinary Medicine since June 2018 and his experience continues to enhance the effectiveness of the Board. Your Committee therefore recommends that Dr. Nishimoto be appointed to the Hawaii Board of Veterinary Medicine based on his background, knowledge, and commitment to public service.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Commerce, Consumer
Protection, and Health,



ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



