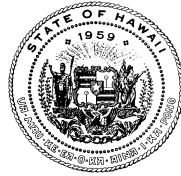


GM528

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Mental Health & Substance Abuse, O'ahu Service Area Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, SHIRLEY DAVENPORT, for a term to expire 06-30-2019.

Report Title: Mental Health & Substance Abuse, O'ahu Service Area Board

Current Referral: CPH



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**Testimony in SUPPORT of GM0528 and GM0529
Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the
Mental Health & Substance Abuse, Oahu Service Area Board,
Gubernatorial Nominee, SHIRLEY DAVENPORT,
for terms to expire 6-30-19 and 6-30-23 respectively.**

SENATOR ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR
SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

Hearing Date and Time: Friday, March 29, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

Room: 229

1 **Fiscal Implications:** None.

2 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health supports the nomination and confirmation
3 of Shirley Davenport to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Oahu Service Area Board
4 (OSAB). Dr. Davenport fills the provider segment of the board, pursuant to Chapter 334-11 of
5 the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

6 Dr. Davenport had previously served on the OSAB for eight years which ended in 2015.
7 She enjoyed her time on the Board so much that she is again applying to be an active
8 participant of the OSAB. Dr. Davenport's background in health care administration, as
9 evidenced by her clinical work at the River of Life Mission, provides her with the experience and
10 knowledge to understand the services of people living with mental illness. She also
11 understands the complexities and challenges faced in the delivery of healthcare in both city and
12 rural environments.

13 We respectfully request your favorable consideration in confirming the appointment of
14 Dr. Davenport who will bring renewed energy to the work of the OSAB.

15 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Dr. Davenport's behalf.

16 **Offered Amendments:** None.



GM528 Confirmation for Shirley Davenport

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION AND HEALTH:

- Senator Baker, Chair; Senator Chang, Vice Chair
- Friday, March 29th, 2019: 9:30 am
- Conference Room 229

In Strong Support for Shirley Davenport:

GOOD MORNING CHAIR, VICE CHAIR AND DISTINGUISHED COMMITTEE MEMBERS. My name is Alan Johnson. I am the President and CEO of Hina Mauka, a substance use disorder treatment and prevention non-profit provider.

We highly recommend Shirley Davenport, PhD, CSAC for consideration and confirmation to the Mental Health & Substance Abuse, O'ahu Service Area Board for 2019.

Dr. Davenport has served on the Board for several years, having dedicated her life's work to helping people and their families who suffer with mental illness and/or substance use disorders. She brings valuable insights to address systemic improvements to improve our quality of care for Hawai'i.

I have known Shirley for many years and can attest to her ethical character, her caring expertise, and her wonderful passion to help others.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony and are available for questions.

August 26, 2019

GM528 Letter of Recommendations for Shirley Davenport, PhD, CSAC

Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health

Friday, March 29, 2019 9:30 am Room 229

Aloha Senator Baker and Senator Chang,

My name is Patricia Johnson and a good friend of Shirley Davenport. I have known her for over 20 years and have worked with her in the mental health and substance abuse field. As a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, (LCSW) and Certified Substance Abuse Counselor in the State of Hawaii (CSAC), and with over 25 years of clinical experience, I have the knowledge and experience to know what it takes to be a leader in the field of addictions and mental health issues.

I found Shirley to be such a leader. She is ethical and leads with sound judgment during difficult decision making. She is very compassionate and knowledgeable in helping others with this population. She always shows genuine empathy and positive regards to those who are struggling in these areas of their lives.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony and am available if you have any questions.

Aloha,

Patricia Johnson, LCSW CSAC

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From: [MerrieSusan Marchant](#)
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Date: Monday, March 25, 2019 10:31:51 AM

To Whom It May Concern: Shirley Davenport is a person of integrity who would be an asset to any committee on which she serves. She is experienced in and knowledgeable of issues related to drug addictions, mental health challenges, homelessness, unemployment and other problems affecting individuals in the state of Hawaii. She is intelligent, focused and dedicated. I heartily recommend her to you.

MerrieSusan Marchant. Former General Manager River of Life Mission

Chair Baker, Vice Chair Chang and Members of the Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health Committee,

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Mahalo for hearing the nomination of Shirley Davenport to the Oahu Service Board on Mental Health and Substance Abuse. I support this nomination. Dr. Davenport is knowledgeable, resilient and has great analytical skills, which will be valuable to the work of this board in improving access to care in Hawai`i. Mahalo.

Cindi Dang, Psy.D.