

GM532

Measure Title:	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, Gubernatorial Nominee, SHELLY OGATA, for a term to expire 06-30-2022.
Report Title:	Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs
Current Referral:	CPH

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Testimony in SUPPORT of GM 532
Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs,
Gubernatorial Nominee, SHELLY OGATA, for a term to expire 06-30-2022

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH
SENATOR ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR
SENATOR STANLEY CHANG, VICE CHAIR

Testimony of Caroline Cadirao
PSM Manager, Executive Office on Aging
Attached Agency to the Department of Health

Hearing Date: Friday, March 29, 2019 Room Number: 229
9:30AM

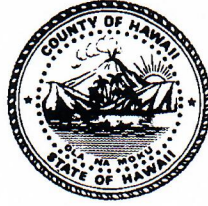
1 **EOA's Position:** The Executive Office on Aging (EOA), an attached agency to the Department
2 of Health, is in strong support of the nomination of Shelly Ogata to the Policy Advisory Board for
3 Elder Affairs (PABEA).

4 **Comments:** Ms. Shelley Ogata's extensive experience and knowledge in the aging network
5 would be an asset to PABEA. As a Planner in the Hawai'i County Office on Aging for five years,
6 Ms. Ogata developed and coordinated services for older adults and assisted in developing program
7 policies and recommendations that meet the needs of Hawaii's older adults. She was also
8 appointed to the State Council on Mental Health for two four-year terms.

9 For these reasons, EOA supports the confirmation of Ms. Ogata for PABEA.

10 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

From the office of -
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The Honorable Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair; and
Members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health

March 27, 2019

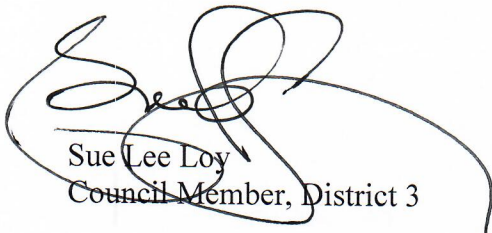
Dear Chair Baker and Committee Members,

I appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony to your committee in the nomination of Ms. Shelly Ogata to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs. Shelly brings to PABEA a wealth of knowledge, experience, judgment, impeccable integrity, insight, and heart. I have known her as a friend for many years and as a member of my staff for a little more than a year.

In matters relating to physical and mental health, aging policy, substance abuse prevention, program reviews, and support and guidance, among many other fields, Shelly is the "ace in the hole" who allows my office to be effective in attending to the needs of constituents, many of whom are elderly.

Reappointing Shelly Ogata to PABEA will continue to benefit our State by allowing her to share the knowledge she has gleaned throughout her years of quality service, and thereby improving the health and well-being of our island communities. I ask that you recommend approval of GM 532.

Aloha Piha,


Sue Lee Loy
Council Member, District 3

To Chair Senator Rosalyn Baker, Committee of Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health (CPH), and Committee Members

Hearing on Friday, March 29, 2019, 9:30am

RE: GM 532 Zonta Club of Hilo's Testimony in Support of Shelly Ogata Confirmation as a PABEA Board Member

Zonta Club of Hilo is part of an International Organization of professional and business women who advance the status of females and children worldwide. The club has over forty women in East Hawaii. We support Zontian Shelly Ogata's nomination to the PABEA Board. Shelly is known to our community as someone who understands the complex issue facing our elders (kupuna).

Shelly Ogata's experiences as a practicing nurse, a team member of Hawaii County's Office of Aging and Aging and Disability Resource Center, an Aide to Council Member Sue Lee Loy, a small business owner, and involved community member in different civic organizations, make her an extraordinarily, outstanding PABEA Board Member Nominee.

Shelly's contributions to the Zonta Club's discussion of Kupuna issues and legislation has helped members to understand the issues facing all people, particularly kupuna, living in the super-rural environment of Hawaii Island. Her experiences are not only county-wide, but statewide.

Personally, I have been on the PABEA Legislative Committee since 2013 after retiring as the Hawaii County Prosecuting Attorney. I have observed Shelly's meaningful contribution to the PABEA Board and PABEA Legislative Committee meetings since her nomination to PABEA.

As a county, we recognized the need for a response to our growing senior population, commonly known as the "silver tsunami or wave." Shelly's unique background working with Aging Networks provide an unsurpassed foundation to sit on PABEA. Her professional experience, including her nursing experience working with homeless and elders, her understanding of the administrative requirements of an Aging and Disability Resource Center and the EOA, her experience handling family caregiving, and now with the legislative experience of working with as a County Council Representative's Aide gives her a solid foundation to participate as an effective PABEA Board Member.

Shelly is passionate and committed to supporting the best elder services system and healthy aging. Her professional approach and experience makes her an unquestionably qualified nominee for the PABEA.

Zonta Club of Hilo recommends that you confirm Shelly Ogata as a PABEA Board Member. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Charlene Iboshi for the Zonta Club Of Hilo

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Submitted on: 3/27/2019 6:53:50 PM

Testimony for CPH on 3/29/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
GARY SIMON	Testifying for Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs (PABEA)	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Chang, and Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health,

I am Gary Simon, Chairperson of the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs (PABEA), which is an appointed board tasked with advising the Executive Office on Aging (EOA).

I am offering testimony on behalf of PABEA.

My testimony does not represent the views of the EOA but of PABEA.

PABEA wholeheartedly supports the nomination of Shelly Ogata to PABEA.

I have known Shelly since September of 2018.

Over the last seven months, I have found Shelly's insight into kupuna issues to be wise.

Her legislative testimony this session has been assertive and compelling.

Shelly will be a valuable addition to PABEA.

We urge you to support her nomination and to recommend her confirmation.

Very gratefully,

Gary Simon

Chairperson, Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs (PABEA)

To Chair Senator Rosalyn Baker, Committee of Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health (CPH), and Committee Members

Expected Hearing on Friday, March 29, 2019, 9:30am

RE: GM 532 Testimony in Support of Shelly Ogata as a PABEA Board Member

My name is Charlene Iboshi. I support Shelly Ogata's nomination to the PABEA Board. I have been on the PABEA Legislative Committee since 2013 after retiring as the Hawaii County Prosecuting Attorney. The last specialized unit started in the Hawaii County's Office of the Prosecuting Attorney's Office was the Elder Abuse and Exploitation Unit. We recognized the growing issues involving exploitation of our growing senior population, commonly known as the "silver tsunami or wave."

I have known Shelly Ogata through her work at the Hawaii County Office of Aging and County Council Aide, the Hawaii Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industries, and the Zonta Club of Hilo. Additionally, I know her husband Chad Ogata from their business and chamber activities. I have observed her participation and meaningful contribution at recent PABEA meetings.

Shelly's unique background working with Aging Networks provide an unsurpassed foundation to sit on PABEA. Her professional experience, including her nursing experience working with homeless and elders, her understanding of the administrative requirements of an Aging and Disability Resource Center and the EOA, her experience handling family caregiving, and now with the legislative experience of working with as a County Council Representative's Aide gives her a solid foundation to participate as an effective PABEA Board Member. She is passionate and committed to supporting the best elder services system and healthy aging.

Please confirm Shelly Ogata as a PABEA Board Member. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

William H Farr
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March 27, 2019

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 230
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: GM532

Dear Senator Baker,

It is my pleasure to write this letter in support of Shelly Ogata's nomination to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs (PABEA) being submitted by David Ige, Governor, State of Hawaii.

In the 28 years that I have been working for the Hawaii County Office of Aging (HCOA), it has been my privilege to have worked with Shelly in the past 4 years. In the role of a Planner and Monitoring the Case Management Contract, Shelly has demonstrated the knowledge and skills necessary to plan, design, coordinate, and implement services that will provide our Kupuna the best opportunities to remain at home and live with dignity as long as possible. In her current role as Council Aide, she provides opportunities to help coordinate and streamline State and County resources to be more effective for the benefits of all our Kupuna.

In conclusion, I fully support the nomination of Shelly Ogata to the Policy Advisory Board for Elderly Affairs. I believe Shelly will be a valuable and effective resource to this board and to all the Kupuna in the State of Hawaii.

Sincerely,



William H. Farr, Information Systems Analyst IV
Hawaii County Office of Aging

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From: Mary Kate Murray
Sent: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 10:23 AM
To: baker4 - Alisha
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March 26, 2019

Senator Baker,

Shelly is a wonderful fit as advocate for Hawaii's elders. She is experienced. She is accomplished. She cares.

While we kupuna continue to serve our communities we need support in protecting our quality of life. With her "let's get-it-done" attitude, Shelly is seriously qualified to accomplish this much needed support. THANK YOU!

Jim Cisler
Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs
And 76 year old kupuna o Hawai'i
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March 27, 2019

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Re: GM532 Nomination to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs

Dear Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

I hope this finds you all well. I am writing this letter in regards to the nomination of Shelly Ogata to serve on the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs.

I have known Mrs. Ogata in a professional capacity for approximately 14 years. During that time the role of which I knew her changed from various responsibilities within the community, however her passion for working and advocating for our kupuna has not wavered. Particular roles she held that I would like to highlight is her time serving on the State Council on Mental Health, as well as her role as a primary caregiver to both of her parents. In her roles as both a caregiver and a service provider to kupuna, I have observed her ability to effectively facilitate and collaborate with numerous sectors in the areas of assessment, capacity building, strategic planning, and implementation of policies. Her ability to communicate effectively, even in challenging situations, is admirable as she remains firm and fair, while exhibiting dignity and compassion to those she is working with.

Mrs. Ogata comes with a great amount of experience, which in turn places her in a great position to get things done, and also take on the responsibilities of a Policy Advisory Board member for Elder Affairs. I highly recommend her nomination for consideration as I know everyone will benefit from her serving in this capacity. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or need further information.

Me ka ha'aha'a,

Jan-Marie Osorio
Special Projects Coordinator
County of Hawai'i- Office of the Prosecuting Attorney

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From: [baker4 - Alisha](#)
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March 22, 2019

Office of Senator Rosalyn Baker
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Re: Nomination of Shelly Ogata to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs

Aloha Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

It is my pleasure to support the nomination of Shelly Ogata to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs. I have known Shelly personally and professionally for over 15 years.

Shelly has demonstrated her commitment to the community through her service as the President of the Waiākea High School Foundation, long-standing member of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industries of Hawaii, Zonta Club of Hilo, and Hilo Meishoin. In these various capacities, Shelly actively participates in service projects, and is known in the community for her passion and advocacy for programs and resources for kupuna. As the Community Developer for Vibrant Hawaii, a Collective Impact movement to reduce the number of households on Hawaii Island who live within the ALICE or poverty thresholds, I reached out to Shelly early in the initiative as I trusted that she would have an accurate and deeply empathetic understanding of the challenges our kupuna face, and that she would be willing to bring these challenges to the forefront of community conversations.

In a professional capacity, I worked closely with Shelly when she served as a Planner at the County of Hawaii Office of Aging, and I served as the County of Hawaii Disaster Recovery Coordinator. I relied on Shelly to quickly organize, facilitate communication and mobilize teams of responding agencies who canvassed lower Puna in the days and weeks following Tropical Storm Iselle. As the coordinator of this effort, Shelly demonstrated her effectiveness as a leader and team member who is able to communicate effectively, ensure safety of teams, conduct after action reviews and synthesize feedback to ensure challenges were addressed and objective outcomes were met.

I believe Shelly is an ideal candidate for the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs and encourage your strong support of her nomination.

Sincerely,



Janice Ikeda, MA