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Testimony of  
David Y. Ige  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

Before the  
**SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**  
February 20, 2019  
1:15 p.m., Room 225

In consideration of  
**GM 578, Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan**  
as the  
Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto and committee members:

I respectfully request your support in confirming the appointment of Lynn Araki-Regan as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation (DOT).

Lynn has a law degree from the William S. Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai'i, a B.S. in Accounting, and she graduated summa cum laude from H.P. Baldwin High School on Maui. She was previously employed with the County of Maui, serving as the economic development coordinator, budget director and the mayor's chief of staff. She is also an attorney with 22 years of experience in litigation, commercial transactions, creditor's rights and landlord/tenant law.

I am confident that Lynn's impressive background and past government service will be a great asset to DOT. Lynn also brings an invaluable neighbor island perspective to the department which will be an added benefit of her appointment.

My administration is committed to transforming the culture of government by embracing and accelerating change. I am confident that Lynn Araki-Regan will support our employees at DOT as we strive for a greener transportation future. Moving forward together, we can build a better home for our keiki, kupuna, and all the residents of Hawaii.

Mahalo for your consideration.

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February 15, 2018

TESTIMONY TO THE  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
For Hearing on Wednesday, February 20, 2019  
1:15 p.m., Conference Room 225

By

RYKER WADA  
DIRECTOR

**Governor's Message 578**  
**(WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY)**

Dear Chair Inouye, Vice-Chair Harimoto and Members of the Committee on Transportation

RE: Consideration and confirmation of Lynn A. S. Araki-Regan for Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

I submit this testimony in **Strong Support** of the confirmation of Lynn Araki-Regan as Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation. In the short time I have had the pleasure of knowing Ms. Araki-Regan in her capacity as Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation, I have found her be a dedicated, measured and helpful person who is well suited for the position of Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation. In her current capacity I have experienced Ms. Araki-Regan as cooperative, helpful, and welcoming.

I support the confirmation of Ms. Araki-Regan as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

Thank you for allowing me to testify in **SUPPORT** of Governors Message 578 and Lynn A. S. Araki-Regan.

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February 19, 2019

To: The Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair,  
The Honorable Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair, and  
Members of the Senate Committee on Transportation

Date: Wednesday, February 20, 2019

Time: 1:15 p.m.

Place: Conference Room 225, State Capitol

From: Scott T. Murakami, Director  
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR)

**Re: G.M. No. 578 Submitting for consideration and confirmation as the Deputy  
Director of the Department of Transportation, Gubernatorial Nominee, LYNN A.S.  
ARAKI-REGAN**

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Scott T. Murakami, and I am the Director of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations. I am testifying in support of Governor's Message 578, Gubernatorial Nominee, Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan, as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

Ms. Araki-Regan has demonstrated that she has the leadership and experience to assist in leading the Department of Transportation. As the Managing Director and the Mayor's Chief of Staff for the County of Maui, Ms. Araki-Regan managed offices and assisted the Mayor in decision making and coordinating strategic initiatives. In addition, Ms. Araki-Regan's legal background and service to the Maui community will be a strong asset to the Department of Transportation in understanding and addressing challenges on the Neighbor Islands.

I urge you to confirm Ms. Araki-Regan to serve as the Deputy Director of Transportation.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to testify in support of Ms. Araki-Regan.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY BY  
RODERICK K. BECKER  
AND  
ROBERT YU  
TO THE  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 578

Wednesday, February 20, 2019  
1:15 p.m.  
Room 225

SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION AS THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, LYNN A.S. ARAKI-REGAN, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE AT NOON ON 12-05-2022.

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto and Members of the Committee:

We strongly support Lynn Araki-Regan's appointment to the position of Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation (DOT). We are working with Ms. Araki-Regan in our professional capacity as Director and Deputy Director of Finance, respectively.

Governor Ige's administration is committed to addressing the many issues facing our state in a direct and forthright manner. We strive to do the right thing, the right way to achieve our shared goal of a healthy, sustainable economy to support our keiki, our kupuna, and the disadvantaged.

Ms. Araki-Regan is an integral part of a team that is committed to achieving the goals of this administration in an honest, transparent, accountable, and responsive manner.

Ms. Araki-Regan has served in various positions with the County of Maui. Ms. Araki-Regan's education and work experience will be beneficial to DOT; therefore, we support confirmation.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor

JOSH GREEN  
Lt. Governor



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TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

FEBRUARY 20, 2019  
1:15 P.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM 225

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 578  
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION AS THE DEPUTY  
DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, GUBERNATORIAL  
NOMINEE, LYNN A.S. ARAKI-REGAN, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE AT NOON ON 12-  
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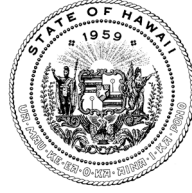
Chairperson Inouye and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on GM 578, submitting for consideration and confirmation as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation, Gubernatorial Nominee, LYNN A.S. ARAKI-REGAN, for a term to expire at noon on 12-05-2022. The Department strongly supports this measure.

Ms. Araki-Regan has many years with the County of Maui serving in various positions which required problem solving and critical thinking. Ms. Araki-Regan has experience in various roles in local government and is an asset for the State as the DOT Deputy Director.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.





DAVID Y. IGE  
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Testimony to the Senate Committee on  
Transportation

The Thirtieth Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019

Wednesday, February 20, 2019  
1:15 p.m.

Testimony on **Governor's Message No. 578**, Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation as the **Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation**, Gubernatorial Nominee, **Lynn Araki-Regan**, for a Term to Expire on December 5, 2022.

To the Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair, the Honorable Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Catherine Awakuni Colón, Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, and I am writing in **support** of the appointment of Lynn Araki-Regan to serve as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation, for a term to expire on December 5, 2022.

I first met Ms. Araki-Regan more than twenty years ago when we were both law students at the William S. Richardson School of Law at UH's Manoa Campus. While in school, I observed Ms. Araki-Regan to be a collegial, bright, and engaged student. I'm certain that her years of experience in private practice and with the County of Maui has only enhanced that energetic student who I met years ago, and has prepared Ms. Araki-Regan to serve as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

I firmly believe Ms. Araki-Regan will be a valued and highly productive member of Governor Ige's cabinet, and respectfully request that you recommend approval of her nomination as Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

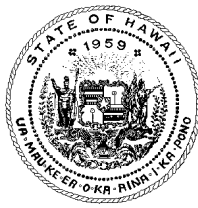
Testimony of Catherine P. Awakuni Colón

G.M. 578

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Thank you for the opportunity to support GM No. 578. I would be pleased to respond to any questions that you may have.

DAVID Y. IGE  
GOVERNOR



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WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 578  
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION  
AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE LYNN A.S. ARAKI-REGAN.

by

Nolan P. Espinda, Director  
Department of Public Safety

Senate Committee on Transportation  
Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair  
Senator Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair

Wednesday, February 20, 2019; 1:15 p.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 225

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) supports the nomination of Lynn Araki-Regan as Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation (DOT).

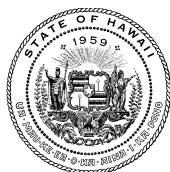
With broad experience as an attorney, Maui County Managing Director and Budget Director, and Economic Development Coordinator, as well as an educator, Deputy Director Araki-Regan is ideally suited to serve in a leadership role for the large and diverse DOT.

PSD supports, without reservation, the nomination of Ms. Araki-Regan as Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.



DAVID Y. IGE  
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TESTIMONY  
OF  
AUDREY HIDANO, DEPUTY COMPTROLLER  
DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES  
TO THE  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
ON  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2019, 1:15 P.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM 225, STATE CAPITOL

G.M. 578

SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION AS THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, **LYNN A.S. ARAKI-REGAN**, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE AT NOON ON 12-05-2022.

Dear Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto and Members of the Committee on Transportation.

I submit this testimony in **Support** of the confirmation of Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation. In the short time I have had the pleasure of knowing Ms. Araki-Regan, I have found her to be a dedicated, knowledgeable, and well-prepared person. In her current capacity I have experienced Lynn as cooperative, helpful, and welcoming.

I support the confirmation of Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

Thank you for allowing me to testify in **SUPPORT** of Governors Message 578 and Lynn.



DAVID Y. IGE  
GOVERNOR

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Statement of  
**MIKE MCCARTNEY**  
Director

Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism  
before the  
**SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

Wednesday, February 20, 2019  
1:15 PM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 225

In consideration of  
**GM578**

**Submitting for consideration and confirmation as the  
Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation, LYNN A.S. ARAKI-REGAN,  
for a term to expire at noon on 12-05-2022.**

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto and Members of the Committee.

I am writing in support of the appointment of Lynn A.S. Araki Regan to serve as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation. My name is Mike McCartney and I am the Director for the State Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.

Ms. Araki-Regan brings extensive experience from her leadership roles at the County of Maui and as an attorney in the private sector. As the Budget Director and most recently, as the Chief of Staff to the Mayor of Maui County, Araki-Regan collaborated with County and State departments and managed the communications, budget and economic development programs, amongst other responsibilities. Her past experience and skills would be a benefit to the people of the State of Hawaii.

For these reasons, we urge her confirmation for the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.

DAVID Y. IGE  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF HAWAII

JOSH GREEN  
LT. GOVERNOR  
STATE OF HAWAII



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**LATE**

TESTIMONY OF JOBIE M. K. MASAGATANI, CHAIRMAN  
HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION  
BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
HEARING ON FEBRUARY 20, 2019 AT 1:15PM IN CR 225

IN SUPPORT OF

**GM578**

for consideration and confirmation as the Deputy Director of the Department of  
Transportation,  
Governatorial Nominee, **LYNN A.S. ARAKI-REGAN**,  
for a term to expire 12-05-2022

February 19, 2019

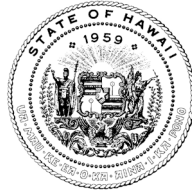
Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto, and members of the Committee:

It is an honor to provide this testimony in support of Governor Ige's nomination of Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation (DOT).

Ms. Araki-Regan's background and professional credentials as a lawyer and her employment with the County of Maui makes her well-qualified for this appointment. The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands works frequently with the DOT on a wide-range of projects to improve traffic flow in and around new and existing homestead communities statewide, and we look forward to working alongside Ms. Araki-Regan for the next four years.

We respectfully ask your committee to advise and consent to this nomination, and we thank you for your consideration of our testimony.

DAVID Y. IGE  
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DOUGLAS MURDOCK  
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Testimony of  
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Before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
Wednesday, February 20, 2019

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 578  
Gubernatorial Nominee Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan

Dear Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto and members of the committee:

I strongly support the confirmation of Ms. Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan, nominee for Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation (DOT).

Ms. Araki-Regan previously served as managing director for the County of Maui. Prior to that, she also served as Maui county mayor's chief of staff, where she managed the communications, budget, Community Development Block Grant Offices and Office of the Economic Development Program. Ms. Araki-Regan is also an attorney, with 22 years of experience in litigation, commercial transactions, creditor's rights and landlord/tenant law.

Ms. Araki-Regan will be a tremendous asset to the DOT as she brings her experience and perspective working on the neighbor island and county level as she manages and directs the administrative operations and functions of the DOT.

Thank you for allowing me to provide testimony in support of Deputy Director of the Department Transportation nominee Ms. Lynn Araki-Regan.

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February 20, 2019

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The Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair  
The Honorable Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair  
and Members  
Committee on Transportation  
State Capitol, Room 225  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Chair Inouye, Vice-Chair Harimoto and Members:

**SUBJECT: Governor's Message (GM) 578 for Consideration and Confirmation  
as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation  
Gubernatorial Nominee Lynn A. S. Araki-Regan for a term to expire  
at noon on 12-05-2022**

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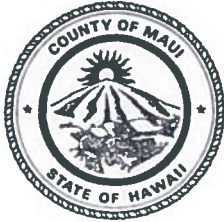
The Board of Water Supply (BWS) supports GM 578 nominating Ms. Lynn A. S. Araki-Regan to serve as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation (DOT).

I am confident that Ms. Araki-Regan's legal expertise and experience in county government will be an asset for the Department of Transportation. I respectfully request members of the Senate Committee on Transportation vote favorably on her nomination and advancing GM 578 for full Senate confirmation.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Ms. Araki-Regan's nomination to serve as Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

Very truly yours,

Ernest Y. W. Lau, P.E.  
Manager and Chief Engineer



Michael Victorino  
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19 February 2019

The Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye , Chair  
The Honorable Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair  
Senate Committee on Transportation  
415 South Beretania Street, Rm 225  
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**LATE**

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto, and members of the Committee on Transportation:

Subject: Support for Governor's Message 578, Appointment of Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

My name is Herman Andaya and I am the Administrator of the Maui Emergency Management Agency ("MEMA") of the County of Maui. It is my privilege to submit this testimony in firm **SUPPORT** of GM 578 and for the confirmation of Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan as the Deputy Director of the State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation.

I have known Ms. Araki-Regan for over 30 years. In my interactions with Ms. Araki-Regan, I have found her to be intelligent, hard-working and most importantly, passionate about her community.

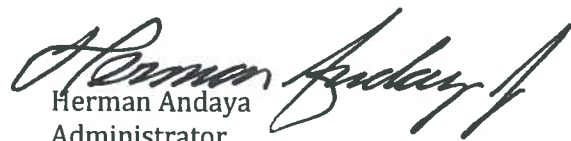
Ms. Araki-Regan is highly regarded among government officials, the Hawaii State Bar, and the community at large because of her intelligence, her professional demeanor and dedication to public service. Her most outstanding attribute is her ability to bring people together, facilitate discussions and create solutions. In her many positions, she has demonstrated a firm commitment towards her passion for public service. Her breadth of experience in the law as an attorney, in key leadership positions in government, and as a community leader will prove to be invaluable to the Department of Transportation.

In the government setting, she understands the gravity of the work assigned to her and ensures that she is equal to the task. As an example, while she was the Mayor's Chief of Staff, I needed someone to act as the public information officer (PIO) in the emergency operation center (EOC) while we were preparing for a hurricane. Knowing the importance of this role, she volunteered and began disseminating information to the public through press releases, social media and television interviews. She went above and beyond what was expected of her because she understood the importance of keeping the public informed, especially during a hurricane.

I am confident that her confirmation will be a credit to the Department of Transportation and the State of Hawai'i.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important nomination.

Sincerely,

  
Herman Andaya  
Administrator

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/11/2019 1:22:14 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Michael Buelsing	Testifying for Pacific Marine & Supply, Co.	Support	No

Comments:



**LATE**

Testimony of Ku'uhaku Park  
On Behalf of the Matson  
Support GM578  
Before the House Committee on Transportation  
February 20, 2019

Dear Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto, and Members of the Committee on Transportation,

Matson supports GM578, which nominates Lynn Araki-Regan to serve as Deputy Director of Administration of the Department of Transportation. Ms. Araki-Regan's years of experience as a high-level administrator in the County of Maui and her experience as a private sector attorney qualify her to serve as the Deputy Director of Administration of the Department.

The Department of Transportation oversees the State's transportation infrastructure, which is vital to the economic health of our State. As the State's largest shipping company, Matson relies on the Department to ensure that harbor facilities adequately support our cargo transportation operations.

Thank you for considering our testimony in support.



Feb. 20, 2019

Testimony in Strong Support of GM578 Lynn Araki-Regan - TRS 2/20/19 1:15pm Rm 225

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto, and Members of the Committee:

I am proud to submit testimony in **strong support of GM578 appointing Lynn Araki-Regan** Deputy Director, Dept. of Transportation, State of Hawai`i.

I have known Lynn for over 20 years since I met her in 1996 as a law clerk for the late Mario R. Ramil, Assoc. Justice, Hawai`i Supreme Court. As I was still a law student at the time, Lynn as Justice Ramil’s law clerk, was my supervisor; but more significantly, I came to regard her as my mentor.

Combining a sound legal mind with clear oral and written communication skills together with hard work and grit, I admired what Lynn was able to accomplish and chose her as one of my role models. I attempted to emulate the quality of her work with the grit for which she was known. Today, looking back over 20 years and everything that I have been through and accomplished, I can say Lynn had a positive influence on me.

Even today, I still search her out and seek her advice. In a recent collections matter, an area of the law in which she formerly specialized, I sought her out even though her practice was on Maui. I trust her advice.

In addition, I’ve followed her business pursuits, involvement in her community, and her lovely family. In all respects, I continue to consider a great model with whom I share so much.

About 2 years ago, I saw her at Justice Ramil’s funeral. It was like old times – like yesterday, even though the occasions on which I get to see her are rare. She brought her whole family from Maui to say goodbye to a hero we had in common. This is a testament to her character and who she is as a person, and who I am proud to count as a friend.

For these reasons, I **strongly support** Lynn’s nomination.

Very truly yours,

Bryan Andaya





**Testimony to the Senate Committee on Transportation**

Tuesday, February 20, 2019 1:15 p.m.

Conference Room 225, State Capitol

RE: GM 578 – Nomination of Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation, Lynn A.S. Araki- Regan

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto and Members of the Transportation Committee

**I respectfully submit my strong support for the consideration and confirmation of Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan for First Deputy Director of the State Department of Transportation** and provide the following **comments** to GM 578:

Ms. Araki-Regan possesses a broad range of leadership experiences recently serving as Maui County Managing Director, and in previous roles as Maui County Economic Development Director, a practicing attorney, and as a leader in several community non-profit organizations. She has a knack for identifying issues, marshaling scarce resources and implementing projects and programs to deliver positive economic impact. Ms. Araki-Regan is a great addition to the State DOT and brings a needed perspective from her roles serving Maui County and neighbor island communities. She has already shown great dedication and commitment toward working with legislators and other state leaders to tackle challenges faced by Department of Transportation and plan ahead for our state’s future. Ms. Araki-Regan is an excellent choice to co-lead the Department of Transportation as its First Deputy.

For these reasons, I humbly urge your support for the confirmation of Ms. Araki-Regan.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on GM 578.

Sincerely,

Jeannine A. Souki  
Director, Government Affairs and Communication

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/19/2019 10:29:27 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for O`ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai`i	Support	No

Comments:

February 19, 2019

Senator Lorraine Inouye, Chair  
Committee on Transportation  
State Capitol, Room 210  
415 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: GM 578 - Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation, Gubernatorial Nominee, Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan, for a term to expire at noon on 12-05-2022

Dear Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my strongest support for the confirmation of Ms. Lynn Araki-Regan as my First Deputy Director at the Department of Transportation (DOT).

It is with great pleasure and without reservation that I speak in support of Lynn's nomination to this important position. She is particularly well qualified and an ideal selection. I have had the honor of building a strong partnership with her and I continue to appreciate her thoughtful and diligent analysis of our programs, budgetary matters, and personnel issues. I have always found her fair, forthright, and flexible. She knows that making progress requires partnerships.

In the short period of time that she's been at DOT, she has proven herself to be an exceptional executive, an astute decision maker, and a tireless partner who will afford everyone an opportunity to present differing views and be fair in seeking solutions. Most of the staff who had the opportunity to work with her see her as a listener and quick learner who tempers her search for solutions with her knowledge, insight, and commitment to balance. She has common sense and a commitment to getting the job done right. She possesses extraordinary skills, high ethical standards, and integrity that will advance the department's mission. Her wide range of experiences gives her a level of expertise and insight DOT will surely benefit from.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony in support of Lynn Araki-Regan.

Sincerely,



Jade T. Butay

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/11/2019 4:47:01 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Linda Chu Takayama	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/12/2019 9:11:29 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Alan S. Hayashi	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto, and members of the Committee on Transportation---

I am in strong support of both Mr. Jade Butay, proposed Director of DOT, and Ms. Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan, proposed Deputy of DOT, as we need continuing good qualified leadership within DOT.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. Mahalo, Alan S Hayashi

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/15/2019 8:13:59 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Victor K. Ramos	Individual	Support	No

Comments:



TO: Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair  
Senator Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair  
Senate Committee on Transportation

From: Pankaj Bhanot (in my individual capacity)

Re: GM 578

Date: Wednesday, February 20, 2019

Time: 1:15 p.m.

Place: Conference Room 225  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto and members of the Senate Committee on Transportation, my name is Pankaj Bhanot and I am the current Director of the Department of Human Services. However, I am submitting this testimony as an individual in strong support of GM 578 submitted by the Governor for consideration and confirmation of Ms. Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan as the Deputy Director (Administration) of Department of Transportation (DOT), for a term to expire at noon on December 05, 2022.

Ms. Araki-Regan has a distinguished twenty-three (23) year professional career in public and private sector. Lynn has served County of Maui with distinction and exemplary excellence for over six (6) years in various capacities within the Executive branch. Lynn Possesses professional experience, education, knowledge, skills, abilities, and the lived experience to honorably and competently serve as the Deputy Director (Administration) of the DOT.

Ms. Araki-Regan's experience as the Managing Director, Mayor's Chief of Staff, Budget Director, and Economic Development Director, of the County of Maui, and 22 year experience as a practicing attorney, has prepared her to assume the role of the Deputy Director (Administration) of the DOT and support the Director in improving internal controls and management at the DOT. I have complete confidence that Lynn will serve our Aloha State and the DOT with great distinction and honor.

I request the Senate Committee on Transportation to unanimously confirm Ms. Lynn Araki-Regan as the Deputy Director (Administration) of the Department of Transportation.

Thank you for the opportunity to support GM 578.

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/16/2019 7:05:02 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Ann Chung	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

Aloha Chair Inouye and members of the committee:

I STRONGLY SUPPORT the nomination of Lynn Araki-Regan for Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation. She has an outstanding background in her various roles in the administration of the County of Maui which will be of great value in this position. I believe that Lynn will be very effective in her new role as Deputy Director and will provide strong support to the department and to the community.

Mahalo for the opportunity to share my support.

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/17/2019 6:46:55 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Joyce Harris	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Senator Lorraine Inouye, chair Senate committee on transportation,

My name is Joyce Harris resident of Maui County. I'm in strong support of Government David Ige's nomination of Mrs. Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan as deputy director to the State Department of Transportation.

I have known Lynn for over 6 years, she has proven herself to be honest, trustworthy, caring, intelligent, thoughtful, diligent and a no nonsense person. Lynn and her family is well known in Maui community for their hardworking dedication to our community with endless volunteer work with love caring ways. They are always looked up to and respected as leaders of our community.

Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan, combined with her public and private sector experiences will play integral role in this position. I strongly believe that she will shine new light to this department.

I strongly endorse her confirmation.

Thank you very much for reading my testimony.

Respectfully,

Joyce Harris

808-283-6398

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/17/2019 9:44:57 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Alan Arakawa	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I've had the pleasure of being a friend, mentor, and supervisor of Lynn Araki Regan. I have known her for nearly 20 years. Lynn is excellent in many areas. She has been an outstanding attorney, small business owner, and has been recognized as an outstanding community member, winning numerous awards.

She is an inspirational leader and very versatile. As Mayor of Maui County, I have appointed her to the positions of Director of the Office of Economic Development, Budget Director, and Chief of Staff. She was also my Managing Director for a short period of time.

Lynn is a very intellectual person, has excellent work ethics, and in my opinion, will make an excellent Deputy Director. She works well with others and is a very good person.

Please refer to her resume for more detailed Information.

Former Maui County Mayor Alan M. Arakawa

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/18/2019 9:47:47 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Buck Joiner	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Subject GM578

Recommendation: Support

Dear Honorable Senator Lorraine R. Inouye

and members of the Senate Transportation Committee

I have known Lynn Araki-Regan for about 20 years and have known her father for more than 30 years. I wholeheartedly support her appointment as Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

Lynn is incredibly dynamic, action-oriented, focused, with impeccable integrity. But more importantly, she is a leader in all aspects of her life, be it work or volunteering. Lynn has the ability to inspire others to do their best and to work towards a common goal with extreme dedication. Lynn is unmatched in her ability to deal with large challenges effectively and efficiently. She is a goal setter, a leader, and her ability to get others to follow is incredible.

In short, Lynn Araki-Regan is the very best there is. You can depend and count on her 100%.

Most sincerely

Buck Joiner, MS, MBA, PE

mover shaker, -retired.

Lifetime motto and commitment **HERE TO HELP**

**Testimony by Tiffany Iida  
February 18, 2019**

**The Honorable Senator Lorraine Inouye, Chair  
And Members of the Senate Committee on Transportation  
State Senate  
State Capitol, Room 204  
415 South Beretania Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813**

**Dear Senator Inouye and Members of the Committee on Transportation:**

**RE: Testimony of Governor's Message 578 Relating to Consideration and Confirmation of Nominee Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan as Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.**

**My name is Tiffany Iida, and I am writing in support of and ask for your support in the confirmation of the appointment of Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.**


**I have known Ms. Araki-Regan from childhood and am able to say that her commitment to the community started from then. She was always passionate about education, the law, community and helping others. Her sense of volunteering started at a young age as well and continues to this day. I have been grateful to have served on many boards with her and have been in several of the same nonprofits such as the Kiwamis Club, Maui County Sister Cities Foundation, Japanese Cultural Society of Maui and Maui Matsuri are just a few to mention.**

**Ms. Araki-Regan has an amazing ability to adapt in any surrounding and thrives on expanding her knowledge. She commits herself to excel and succeed and is not afraid to take on challenges. I have seen her take on various roles within the private, non-profit and government sector and she has always been able to learn, grow and expand these entities. Ms. Araki-Regan and I also worked in the same office and I was able to witness her leadership skills and her willingness to work with others. She has great managerial skills and was able to motivate her colleagues to make positive changes within their department.**

**Ms. Araki-Regan not only has a great work ethic, she also has a quality in her to grow and nurture her family, friendships and colleagues. She truly cares about others and wants to see everyone happy to be the best they can be. She can motivate and encourage you to do things you thought you would never be able to accomplish. Because of her ability to uplift those around her, she has been able to make huge and positive changes within our community. I would highly recommend her as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.**

**Should you need to contact me, I can be reached by email at [iidatiffany@gmail.com](mailto:iidatiffany@gmail.com) or by cell phone at 808-276-5444.**

**Sincerely,**



**Tiffany Iida**

February 19, 2019

**TESTIMONY IN STRONG SUPPORT OF GM 578  
Senate Committee on Transportation**

**To: Senator Lorraine Inouye, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation**  
**From: Christopher Curley, Private Citizen, 74 Wailani St., Wailuku, HI 96793**  
**Subject: Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation Gubernatorial Nominee LYNN  
A.S. ARAKI-REGAN as Deputy Director for the Department of Transportation**

My name is Christopher Curley and I am writing this as a private citizen to provide testimony in strong support of Mrs. Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan's nomination as Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

I have known Lynn for approximately eight years through our shared involvement with Scouting on Maui. She has devoted a tremendous amount of time to Scouting, first as a Den Leader, then as Advancement Chair, and finally as VP of Fund Development. Scouting on Maui was very fortunate to have Lynn's commitment to excellence and improving the Scouting program.

Scouting is only one of many causes that Lynn has thrown herself into supporting. I have sincerely never met anyone who is so dedicated to helping others. One of her greatest talents is her ability to convince the people around her to step up and assist in her community service causes.

I know our State of Hawaii and the Department of Transportation will be grateful to have Lynn's energy, intelligence and motivational leadership.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my testimony.



Christopher Curley



To: The Honorable Senator Iolaine R. Inouye, Chair  
The Honorable Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair  
Committee Members

From: Jean Min

Subject: GM 578 Gubernatorial Nominee Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan  
Deputy Director, DOT  
Expiration Date: Noon on December 5, 2022

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of Lynn A.S. Araki-Regan's nomination as Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation.

My name is Jean Min and I have known Lynn Araki Regan socially for just a few years but she never fails to impress me as I learn more and more about her. Her interests and knowledge are widely varied from being an attorney, realtor and etiquette instructor to being involved with Hospice Maui, March of Dimes, and the Maui Humane Society to name a few.

It is evident to me that she has a love for public service after having worked at the County of Maui under Mayor Alan Arakawa's administration as the Mayor's Chief of Staff and other positions in the County.

She is dedicated and passionate in everything that she does and is a very well rounded individual. She is also energetic, gracious, generous and thoughtful.

She will be an asset in any organization.

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/19/2019 11:12:15 AM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
STEPHANIE OHIGASHI	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Lorraine R. Inouye and Vice-Chair Breene Harimoto,

I am writing this letter of testimony in support of my lifelong friend, Lynn

Araki-Regan. I have no doubt she will make valuable contributions to the State

Department of Transportation as Deputy Director.

For as long as I have know Lynn, she gives 100%+ to whatever she takes on, whether

an important legal, work, community matter or a family event.

I have worked side by side with her on numerous Chamber of Commerce forums, County meetings, seminars, studies, educational projects, sister cities and cultural events. Hard work is no stranger to Lynn.

I am honored to submit this testimony on behalf of such a dedicated and compassionate leader.

Please accept my testimony in very strong support of Lynn Araki-Regan for Deputy Director for the State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation.

Mahalo nui loa,

Stephanie Ohigashi

(808)281-4535

TESTIMONY OF  
LYNN A.S. ARAKI-REGAN

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
FEBRUARY 20, 2019  
CONFERENCE ROOM 225  
1:15 P.M.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 578 RELATING TO  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE LYNN ARAKI-REGAN  
FOR DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto, and members of the committee:

I am honored to appear before you today as Governor David Ige's nominee as the Deputy Director for the Department of Transportation (DOT) and express my sincerest gratitude to you for giving me this opportunity to come before your committee to be considered for this position.

As Deputy Director of DOT, I am responsible for the administrative functions of the department including personnel administration, central computer services, business management activities, environmental compliance, civil rights, emergency management, and contract services. I also work closely with Director Jade Butay in managing and directing the administrative operations and functions of the DOT.

Prior to being nominated as the Deputy Director of DOT, I served as the Chief of Staff for the County of Maui's Office of the Mayor. Prior to being promoted to that position, I served as the County of Maui's Economic Development Coordinator and Budget Director. Through these experiences in the government sector, as well as more than two decades working in the private sector and volunteering in the non-profit sector, I have gained invaluable experiences in a variety of areas including overseeing and managing operations, budgeting, public relations, strategic planning, community coalition building, grant writing, grant monitoring, and personnel/HR issues.

A fourth generation Mauian, I was born, raised, and educated in my hometown of Wailuku. A product of Maui's public schools (Wailuku Elementary School, 'Iao Intermediate School, and Henry Perrine Baldwin High School), I received a bachelor of science degree in accounting from Santa Clara University, followed by a juris doctor degree from the William S. Richardson School of Law at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa where I served as Technical Editor of the University of Hawai'i Law Review. Upon returning to Maui in 1996 following my law clerkship for Justice Ramil at the Hawai'i Supreme Court, I never anticipated leaving Maui until two months ago when my husband was offered an exciting job opportunity on Oahu, followed by Governor Ige nominating me to serve as Deputy Director of DOT.

As a long-time neighbor island resident, I believe that DOT plays a significant role in the quality of life and livelihood of our residents throughout Hawai'i. Whether it be travel between our

islands or the transport of people, food, and supplies between Hawai'i and the rest of the world, the success and effectiveness of DOT is critical in the continued and future success of our economy and our state.

If afforded this opportunity to continue my passion for public service through DOT, one of my primary objectives would be utilize my background to help DOT become more productive, efficient, and responsive. I am especially interested in streamlining and increasing efficiencies regarding various human resources functions including establishing or amending position classifications, updating positions descriptions, improving recruitment and retention efforts, as well as improving overall employee morale by implementing a range of staff recognition initiatives. In addition, I hope to bring a neighbor island perspective to the discussions and decision-making processes at the DOT. Oftentimes, our neighbor island communities feel disconnected, and my goal would be to use my experiences to develop stronger ties to these communities.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the three other deputy directors (Highways, Airports, and Harbors), Ed Sniffen, Ross Higashi, and Derek Chow who make up an amazing leadership team under the direction and guidance of Director Jade Butay. It has truly been an honor and a privilege to work closely and collaboratively with them.

Thank you Chair Inouye and distinguished members of the Committee for your time and consideration.

**LATE**

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/19/2019 2:00:47 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
David Rodriguez	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

I write in strong support of G.M 578, Lynn Araki-Regan as the first deputy to the department of transportation (DOT).

Lynn offers renewed enthusiasm and hope in meeting the aspirational and transportation goals set forth by the State. She is a quick learner and a motivating force in meeting the challenges the DOT faces.

I too, am inspired by her to get things done and very eager to work with Lynn as first deputy of the DOT.

Aloha,

David J. Rodriguez

**LATE**

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/19/2019 2:14:28 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Deb Kuwaye	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

**LATE**

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/19/2019 2:17:08 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Grace S. Ichikawa	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

**LATE**

**Stacy Helm Crivello**  
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February 19, 2019

The Honorable Senator Lorraine R. Inouye,  
Chair, Senator Committee on Transportation

Dear Senator Inouye and Committee Members:

Re: Hearing of February 20, 2019; **OFFERING TESTIMONY of SUPPORT on GM 578**, relating to the Consideration and Confirmation as Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation, Gubernatorial Nominee, Lynn A. S. Araki-Regan

Thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony of support for your consideration and confirmation of **Lynn A. S. Araki-Regan** as the Deputy Director Department of Transportation for a term to expire at noon on 12-05-2022.

As a former Maui County council member, I had the distinct privilege of working and collaborating on diverse issues with Lynn Araki-Regan when she served as Maui County's Chief of Staff as well as during her tenure as the administration's Budget Director. During my six years as the Molokai district residency council member, I solicited assistance from the administration with reference to Molokai's largest landowner's offer to the county to consider taking over 35 miles of their private roads. Lynn's efforts initiated all parties of interest to vet discussion with the previous administration. Her efforts have expanded to continuing talks of due diligence and ongoing research. There were many other issues we collaborated to have positive outcomes.

Her professional skills include administrative and budgetary expertise. Her past government service and commitment to serve is an asset to the department of transportation. She works with a strong sense of diligence and earnestness to serve the public. Over the years I have observed her service to the community.

I also believe her appointment is an affirmation of the importance of diversity for the Department of Transportation. She also brings knowledge of the neighbor islands' need to the department of the transportation.

I respectfully request your favorable review and confirmation of Lynn A. S. Araki-Regan.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Stacy Helm Crivello



**LATE**

**GM-578**

Submitted on: 2/19/2019 6:58:19 PM

Testimony for TRS on 2/20/2019 1:15:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Kay Fukumoto	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Chair Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Vice Chair Senator Breene Harimoto, and committee members,

I have known Lynn Araki Regan for over twenty years. We met as the founding members of the Maui Matsuri Festival and nineteen years later, that commitment to share traditions and honoring ancestors has continued to become one of the largest cultural events on Maui. Through the years I have seen first hand Lynn's commitment to work, community, and family. Her legal, fiscal, team building, and leadership skills have garnered her praise from co-workers and public and private industries. Her focus on community is extensive and her resume' of community service covers all facets of our Maui County community. And let's not forget family, as that is what keeps her grounded. She was raised to have a strong work ethic, to be compassionate, and to work with everyone regardless of differing opinions.

I strongly recommend her appointment and am confident she will represent the department and the State of Hawai'i with upmost professionalism.

Kay Fukumoto

Retired CPA, Entrepreneur, Small Business Owner

Fifty-year resident of Maui

Japanese Cultural Advisor

Yuki Lei Sugimura  
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February 10, 2019

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, Senate President  
And Members of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Hawaii State Capitol Room 409  
Honolulu, HI 96813

**LATE**

Dear Senate President Kouchi and Members of the Senate:

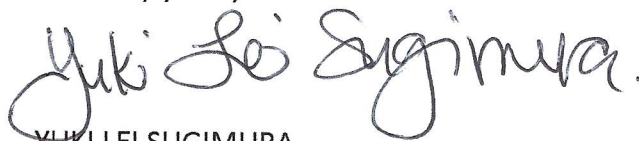
*RE: Lynn Araki Regan*

I am strongly support Lynn Araki Regan for confirmation as the Department of Transportation, First Deputy Director.

I have known Ms. Regan since 1999 and have worked on projects with her when she was the director of the Office of Economic Development; Budget Director to International Sister Cities Conference and almost 20 years as co-chairs of the Maui Matsuri, Japanese Festival. Ms. Regan always rose to the top and lead the organizations she was involved in and worked tirelessly to finish any job she committed. You are in receipt of her five (5) page curriculum vitae which shows details of her qualifications and accomplishments.

Through her years of experience, she has been a team player and leader. Ms. Regan will achieve the duties, learn the job, work tirelessly to be the best as the First Deputy Director for the Department of Transportation.

Sincerely yours,



YUKI LEI SUGIMURA  
Councilmember

ROSS M. HIGASHI

GM 578 – Submitting for consideration and confirmation as the Deputy Director of the Department of Transportation, Gubernatorial Nominee, LYNN A.S. ARAKI-REGAN, for a term to expire 12-5-2022

**LATE**

**Committee on Transportation  
February 20, 2019  
Room 225, 1:15pm**

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice-Chair Harimoto, and members of the committee:

It is with honor and pleasure that we submit this testimony and support of Gubernatorial nominee, Lynn Araki-Regan as the Deputy Director, Department of Transportation. Lynn has been in public service having served as economic development coordinator, budget director, and the Mayor's chief of staff for the County of Maui. Additionally, she brings 22 years of experience as an attorney with experience in litigation and commercial transactions.

Ms. Araki-Regan's duties and responsibilities over the course of her career makes her well suited for the position, as her experience has provided strategic, legal, regulatory, governmental, facilities, communications, and external affairs direction and leadership in developing various programs and initiatives.

In her role leading the DOT's Administrative Division, she will be responsible for the division's administrative functions, including personnel administration, central computer services, business management activities, environmental compliance, civil rights, and emergency management and contract services. Her legal experience and business knowledge will be an asset and we are confident she will make positive impacts on our department.

Approving Ms. Araki-Regan's nomination as the Deputy Director, Department of Transportation will provide proven leadership and experience for the department.

We respectfully ask your committee to advise and consent to this nomination, and we thank you for your consideration of our testimony