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June 23, 2020,

Senator Donna Mercado Kim
Chair-Senate Committee on Higher Education
Senate District 14
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 229
415 South Beretania St.
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Honorable Chair Kim and the Senate Higher Education Committee,

I am pleased to support the appointment and confirmation of Ms. Nadine Nishioka to the Hawai'i Commission for National and Community Service.

This Commission, enacted by Federal Statute, is responsible for administering and receiving federal funds to support AmeriCorps Programs in the State of Hawai'i. There are currently 9 programs in the Hawaii portfolio, with approximately 350 to 400 members serving throughout the state bringing in over \$4,200,000.00 a year in Federal Funds. The current focus areas of our programs concentrate on land conservation; legal help for low-income and or disadvantaged individuals; sustainable agriculture; healthy futures; and financial literacy.

The composition of the Commission by Federal statute requires a minimum of 15 members, an equal representation of political parties with NO one party having a majority, and representation of various professional occupations.

Ms. Nishioka will represent Community-based Agency and Youth Coaching. I have had the privilege to work with her the past two years on the Commission, and she has been a very valuable leader in supporting community service and volunteerism in Hawai'i. Her appointment will also allow the Commission to maintain the equal balance between political parties which is needed to remain compliant with the Federal Statutes.

Please allow Ms. Nishioka the opportunity to continue to serve on the Hawai'i Commission for National and Community Service by confirming her to another term.

Respectfully,

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Tracy Lee
Interim Executive Director
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF HAWAII
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June 29, 2020

Senator Donna Mercado Kim, Chair
Senate Committee on Higher Education
Hawaii State Capitol
415 S. Beretania Street, Room 218
Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Governor's Message 842 Nominating Nadine Nishioka for the Hawaii Commission on National and Community Service,

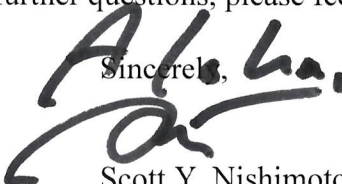
Dear Chair Kim, Vice Chair Kidani, and Members of the Higher Education Committee:

I am in strong support of Nadine Nishioka's nomination to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service.

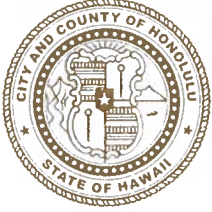
Ms. Nishioka has continuously demonstrated her commitment to the community over the past two decades. She is currently the Chair to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service and has served on this commission since July 2010. She has given her time and talents as the Executive Director for the Moiliili Community Center for the past seven years, as the President of the Manoa Lions Club, the past President of Japan Exchange and Teaching Alumni Association, and the past District Governor of the Lions Club International, District 50 Hawaii Lions.

She has graciously served on the Manoa Neighborhood Board, as a Board Member of the Manoa Girls' and Boys' Athletic Leagues, and the Hawaii Literacy Program. She has been recognized for her tireless efforts and was the recipient of the Lions Club International President's Award and recognized as President Obama's Lions Club International Champion of Change. Through her many years of service, she has contributed significantly to the growth and development of our community, and she will continue to be an exemplary commissioner to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service.

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 586-8515.


Sincerely,

Scott Y. Nishimoto
Representative, District 21



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TESTIMONY OF ANN KOBAYASHI
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On

GM 842, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERSTION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE HAWAI'I COMMISSION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE, GUBERNATIROIAL NOMINEE, NADINE NISHIOKA, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2021.

Senate committee on Higher Education
Thursday, July 2, 2020
3 P.M. Conference Room 229

Dear Honorable Chair Kim, Vice Chair Kidani, and Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on Governor's Message 842, in **strong support** of the confirmation of Nadine Nishioka to serve on the Hawai'i Commission for National and Community Service.

Ms. Nishioka currently serves as the Executive Director of the Moiliili Community Center and has continuously worked hard in ensuring the goals and objectives of the Center is met each year. In 2020, the Moiliili Community Center celebrated its 75th anniversary of serving large and diverse populations and has grown into a popular communal center, hosting a variety of programs, which include: Kupuna Support, Senior Center, Children and Families, and Japanese Language. In addition to creating, coordinating and offering these widely used programs and services, Ms. Nishioka has dedicated much of her time towards advocating for the underserved youth and elderly communities.

Ms. Nishioka also serves as a member of the Manoa Lions Club, where she has displayed her desire to assist those in need through her volunteer efforts. For a number of years Nadine has organized state-wide projects such as food drives to assist the Food Banks on all islands and has also headed the Lions' efforts to assist the Hawaii Red Cross in their fund-raising efforts. Her efforts were recognized by the International Association of Lions Club with her selection as one 11 Lions from the United States to receive the 2012 President Obama's Champions of Change Award. She was designated as a Champion of the Environment and went to Washington D.C. to participate in a forum where she shared her ideas with the Lions of the World.

Throughout Nadine's career she has demonstrated her willingness to serve and help those in need. Although she has received many awards and accolades, those who know her understand she tirelessly serves her community with nothing expected in return. It is for this reason that I strongly urge the nomination of Nadine Nishioka to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Services be approved by your committee. I know that she will be an outstanding member of the Commission.

Sincerely,

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Councilmember Ann Kobayashi
District V



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Senator Donna Mercado Kim
Chair-Senate Committee on Higher Education
Senate District 14
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 229
415 South Beretania St.
Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Governor's Message GM842 nominating Nadine N. Nishioka for the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service

Dear Honorable Chair Kim and the Senate Higher Education Committee Members,

I am pleased to support the appointment and confirmation of Ms. Nadine Nishioka to the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service.

I have known Nadine for almost 9 years. She has been a very effective and visionary leader in her various positions in the Lions Clubs of District 50 Hawaii, a service organization, as she rose from member, chairperson of committees to District Governor in 2016. As Executive Director of Moiliili Community Center I have observed that she places her participants, young to old, and staff as top priority during these challenging times. Nadine has remained professional, open-minded, dedicated and committed to those humanitarian needs that truly matter. Especially now, during the COVID pandemic and as other issues surface in our State, a good Leader is needed, one who can demonstrate integrity, be fair, compassionate yet discerning about where energies, funding and attention is required. Nadine can be counted to be such a leader in our Community.

Nadine is an individual that does not rest on her accomplishments alone but puts in time and dedication; she utilizes her experiences and community support to better our lives and those in need.

I strongly support Nadine Nishioka and ask that she be given the opportunity to continue to serve on the Hawaii Commission for National and Community Service.

Respectfully,

Jennifer Shintani
VP, Alan Shintani, Inc. &
VP, Moanalua Lions Club



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BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI
SENATOR
STATE OF HAWAII

TO: Senator Donna Mercado Kim, Chair, and Members
Senate Committee on Higher Education

RE: Testimony in Support of **GM 842** -- Nomination of **Nadine Nishioka** to serve on the Hawai'i
Commission for National and Community Service for a term to expire 06-30-2021.

TO BE HEARD: Thursday July 2, 2020 3:00 PM Conference Room 229

I am pleased to submit this testimony in support of the nomination of Ms. Nadine Nishioka to continue to serve as a member of the Hawai'i Commission for National and Community Service.

Ms. Nishioka is the Executive Director of the Mo'ili'ili Community Center, which delivers services, programs, and outreach to children and families, and well and frail seniors living in the area and beyond. She has also been active as a volunteer and leader in many community services programs, including the boys and girls youth and athletic programs in Mānoa, the Mānoa Girls' Athletic Club, Mānoa Lions Club, and Lions Clubs International District 50 Hawai'i Lions.

As a member of the Lions, Ms. Nishioka has demonstrated her desire and initiative to assist those in need through her volunteer efforts. For a number of years she has organized state-wide projects such as food drives to assist the Food Banks on all islands, and has also headed the Lions' efforts to assist the Hawai'i Red Cross in their fundraising efforts. Her efforts have been recognized by the International Association of Lions Clubs, which selected her as one of eleven Lions from the United States to receive President Barack Obama's Champions of Change Award in 2012.

Ms. Nishioka has a strong desire to help the people of Hawai'i, those in need, and especially to assist the young people of our community to become better citizens. Perhaps her greatest asset is that her willingness to serve is truly "from the heart." Her present service as a member of the Hawai'i Commission for National and Community Service exemplifies that spirit.

Thank you for your favorable consideration of the nomination of Ms. Nadine Nishioka to continue to serve as a member of the Hawai'i Commission for National and Community Service.

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi
Senatorial District 11
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 219