

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1836

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 23 2021

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 755

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 755, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION

G.M. No. 755 KURT AKAMINE,
for a term to expire 06-30-2025,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Kurt Akamine for service on the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Kurt Akamine from Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Kauai Region, Grove Farm, and one individual.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Akamine's experience in the health care industry, commitment to public service, and dedication to the health and wellness of the community qualify him for appointment to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation. Mr. Akamine is the Vice President of Ohana Pacific Management Company, the parent company of Garden Isle Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center where, prior to becoming Vice President, he served as an administrator for thirteen years. Your Committee notes that Mr. Akamine's volunteer service includes serving as a past Board Chair for the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Kauai region, Vice



Chair for the Hawaii Long Term Care Association, and as a statewide review board member of the State Health Planning and Development Agency. Mr. Akamine earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

Your Committee further finds that Mr. Akamine's appointment satisfies the requirement that a representative reside on the island of Kauai. Mr. Akamine indicated in his personal statement that he has a strong sense of responsibility towards the island of Kauai and looks forward to carrying out the duties and responsibilities of a board member. Your Committee therefore recommends that Mr. Akamine be appointed to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation based on his experience in the health care industry and commitment to the health and wellness of the community.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committee on Health that are 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 Health,



JARRETT KEOHOKALO, Chair



