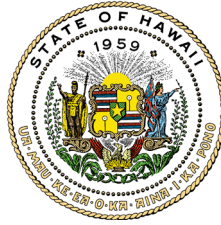


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**Testimony in SUPPORT of GM0703**  
**Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs,**  
**Gubernatorial Nominee: Raelene Tenno**

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH  
SENATOR JARRETT KEOHOKALO, CHAIR  
SENATOR ROSALYN BAKER, VICE CHAIR

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

Hearing Date: April 5, 2021  
1:00 p.m.

Via Videoconference

- 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 Ms. Raelene Tenno to the Policy Advisory
- 3 Board for Elder Affairs (PABEA).
- 4 **Comments:** Ms. Raelene Tenno is being considered as a nominee to the PABEA for a term to
- 5 expire 6-30-2025. Her twenty-seven years of experience in real estate and financial planning and
- 6 eight years as an operations manager will bring a diverse perspective that will be welcomed at
- 7 PABEA. She also brings enthusiasm and a diverse skill set in customer service and building
- 8 effective relationships. Since 1993 she continues to be a dedicated volunteer and serves in a
- 9 leadership role as the Board of Director and Program Chair for the Hawaii Council of
- 10 Community Associations, an organization committed to educating Hawaii condo board members
- 11 of their duties and responsibilities under HRS-514B.

- 1 Ms. Tenno's vast work experience and volunteer involvement will provide new insight and be a
- 2 valuable resource in providing her input, recommendations, and guidance to EOA. For these
- 3 reasons, EOA supports the confirmation of Ms. Raelene Tenno for PABEA.
- 4 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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March 30, 2021

Senator Jarrett Keohokalole, Chair  
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice-Chair  
Senate Committee on Health

Re: **GM 703**. Testimony in Strong Support of Gubernatorial Nominee  
Raelene Tenno to Serve on the Policy Board for Elderly Affairs  
Hearing: Monday, April 5, 2021 at 1 p.m.

Chair Keohokalole, Vice-Chair Baker and Members of the Health Committee:

I am Jane Sugimura, President of the Hawaii Council of Associations of Apartment Owners (HCCA).

I have known Raelene Tenno for over ten years and for most of that time she has served as a Director on the HCCA Board. She has been the Treasurer for HCCA for almost 8 years and for the last 6 years, she has organized and produced the HCCA educational seminars that have been conducted for condominium boards of directors, unit owners, management companies and vendors and contractors who serve the condominium community. During the pandemic, Raelene organized and produced the seminars on various digital platforms, e.g., Zoom, Web-Ex, Go-to-meeting. She has been a productive, creative and effective member of our HCCA organization and has been successful in promoting HCCA's values and goal to educate the condominium community on issues that affect the daily lives of people who live and work in condominiums. Recently, Raelene has become a co-host on "Condo Insider"- a You Tube educational video platform that HCCA initiated almost 3 years ago to provide free, seminar-type programs to the condominium community that can be viewed on any device at any time.

Because many condominium residents are senior citizens, several of our educational seminars have focused on "aging in place" programs and policies to assist boards and project management with guidance so that they can provide a safe and healthy environment for the seniors living in their buildings. The fact that there are so many seniors living in condominiums provides Raelene with a valuable insight that will assist her and her colleagues develop policies that will be helpful to elderly residents in the State and their families.

I have the highest respect and regard for Raelene Tenno and believe that she will bring value to the work of this Board and I respectfully ask that you approve her nomination.



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**GM-703**

Submitted on: 3/30/2021 3:37:35 PM

Testimony for HTH on 4/5/2021 1:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Mike Golojuch, Sr.	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly support the confirmation of Raelene Tenno to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs. She is an organized person and cares for the elderly. She would definitely be an asset to this policy advisory board. Please confirm and thank you for letting me share my thoughts on this outstanding individual.

Mike Golojuch, Sr.

**GM-703**

Submitted on: 3/30/2021 9:41:11 PM

Testimony for HTH on 4/5/2021 1:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Susie Chun Oakland	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Chair Keohokalole, Vice Chair Baker, and Members of the Senate Committee on Health:

Thank you so much for your kind consideration of Raelene Tenno to serve as a member of the Policy Advisory Board of Elder Affairs. Ms. Tenno is deeply committed to the community and cares for our kupuna and their well-being. Her community organizing experience and business and housing background will be an asset to PABEA. I know she is committed to be involved and will fully participate in PABEA meetings.

Thank you for your time and favorable consideration.

Aloha,

Susie Chun Oakland

**GM-703**

Submitted on: 3/31/2021 12:37:47 PM

Testimony for HTH on 4/5/2021 1:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Sandie Wong	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I join in the Testimony in support of the Hawaii Council of Community Association. I strongly support Raelene Tenno's confirmation.

**GM-703**

Submitted on: 3/31/2021 1:25:34 PM

Testimony for HTH on 4/5/2021 1:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
JOY SCHOENECKER	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Hi strongly support Raelene Tenno for this committee.

Joy Schoenecer

**GM-703**

Submitted on: 3/31/2021 1:46:45 PM

Testimony for HTH on 4/5/2021 1:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Tim Apicella	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

March 30, 2021

Senator Jarrett Keohokalole, Chair

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice-Chair

Senate Committee on Health

RE: GM703. Testimoy in Strong Support of Gubernatorial Nominee Raelene Tenno to Serve on the Policy Board for Elderly Affairs.

Hearing: Monday, April 5, 2021 at 1:00 pm

Chair Keohokalole, Vice-Chair Baker, and members of the Health Comittee:

My name is Tim Apicella. I would like to ask for your support for Ms. Tenno's nomination.

I currently serve on the Board of Hawaii Council of Associations of Apartment Owners (HCCA), and have had the pleasure of working with Ms. Tenno for several years. What I have observed is that she consistently provides thoughtful insights of how specific proposed condominium legislation may impact senior citizens living in the many condo associations across Hawaii. It has been clearly apparent that she has senior citizens best interests at heart, and advocates quite well for their interests and consideration.

I believe Ms. Tenno would be an excellent choice to serve on the Policy Board for Elderly Affairs, and ask you for your support.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony before your committee.



Respectfully,

Tim Apicella

**GM-703**

Submitted on: 4/1/2021 1:16:32 PM

Testimony for HTH on 4/5/2021 1:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
R Laree McGuire	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I highly support Raelene Tenno ("RT") for this position. I am an attorney in Honolulu and have been for the past 30 years. I have worked with RT for decades in her capacity as a member of a condominium Board of Directors and also in her capacity as the Treasurer for HCCA. You will not find a more dedicated person. She is a huge asset to whomever she works with and goes above and beyond to get the job done. She is also very resourceful and eager to learn new technologies so that they will enhance her work product. I have the utmost respect for RT and know she will do a great job if appointed to serve. I respectfully request that you approve her nomination.

Mahalo,

R. Laree McGuire