

Dear Chairwoman Kidani, Vice-Chair Mercado Kim, and members of the Education Committee,

RE: GM569

My name is Carrie Sato. I am a retired teacher who has known Dawn Raymond as a member of the HSTA Board of Directors.

Dawn is a dedicated educator to not only her students and community, but also to her profession. She has worked without hesitation in any school environment assigned and with a wide range of student abilities. She is a recognized leader among her peers, for her perspicuity - ability to arbitrate between multi-faceted points of view, toward an acceptable resolution.

In her service to her profession, as a member of the Hawaii Teacher Standard Board (HTSB) and HSTA district president and member of the HSTA board, she has served with a keen sense of justice and forthrightness.

Through our mutual service on the HSTA board, I recognized the unique gifts of this very special teacher. I hope this committee will be able to extend her service as a member of the HTSB.

Mahalo,

Carrie N. Sato, Ed.D.  
Secondary Teacher, retired

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Jennifer Jo	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Education:

I am writing in support of Dawn Raymond's appointment to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board. I have had the pleasure of working with Ms. Raymond at Chiefess Kapiolani Elementary School since 2019. Ms. Raymond has a passion for enhancing the educational opportunities for educators, and has brought this passion to her current role on the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board.

Ms. Raymond is a proven leader in our school community, and is not afraid to ask the tough questions for the greater good of our students and educators. She is also thoughtful and reflective when making any decisions, and is always looking out for the greater good of her community.

Ms. Raymond is also a true friend with a heart of gold. She is always available to provide support and guidance to her colleagues, and I am confident that she will bring this same care and compassion to her role as a member of the of the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of Ms. Raymond's nomination to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Jo

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Comments:

Dear Chairwoman Kidani and members of the Education Committee,

My name is Karen Kohagura. I am a second-grade teacher at Pahoia Elementary School and HSTA Hilo Chapter Secretary.

I have known Dawn Raymond since July 2014 when we were both delegates at the NEA Representative Assembly in Denver. I worked closely with her during her term as President of the HSTA Hilo Chapter (2016 to 2019).

During Dawn's tenure as President, she was committed to increasing the active participation of our Hilo Chapter members by personally speaking to them. She encouraged teachers from different schools to become actively involved by participating in our various community activities or becoming members of our Executive Board. She had a strong belief that Hilo Chapter and all of HSTA would be stronger with a diverse representation of our members in our activities and in leadership roles.

Please approve Dawn Raymond's reappointment as a member of the HTSB.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit my testimony.