



Written Statement of  
**Len Higashi**  
Acting Executive Director  
Hawaii Technology Development Corporation  
before the  
**Senate Committee on Energy Economic Development and Tourism**

Wednesday, March 9, 2022  
3:00 p.m.  
Videoconference

In consideration of  
**GM619**  
**Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, BERNICE GLENN, for a term to expire 06-30-2023.**

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Misalucha, and Members of the Committee.

I am pleased to have this opportunity to **support** the confirmation of Ms. Bernice Glenn to the board of the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation.

I have had the privilege of working with Bernice in various roles related to the defense contracting sector. Bernice has leveraged her success in her professional career to always give back to Hawai'i. She has made HTDC aware of new government contracting opportunities to share with Hawai'i tech small businesses. Her insights and connections across the country will be tremendous assets for HTDC as we work to increase commercialization opportunities for Hawai'i based companies. I look forward to having her leadership on the board in the years to come. Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments and I encourage your favorable vote on her behalf.

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March 8, 2022

Aloha, Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair; Senator Bennette E. Misalucha, Vice Chair; and members of the Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism:

I am writing to express my **support** of GM619, which submits Bernice Glenn for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation, for a term to expire June 30, 2024.

Bernice has impeccable credentials, but more importantly, a solid track record of engineering and managing high-level, large-scale collaborations between the public, private, and nonprofit sectors. Over the past 27 years, she has demonstrated a keen sense in identifying transformative opportunities for diverse communities and stakeholders.

Although she is a successful entrepreneur and sought-after business consultant, Bernice also has a great deal of experience navigating the dense and complex world of public policy, both locally, domestically, and internationally.

Her term with the High Technology Innovation Corporation, a dual-use technology and workforce development program, is especially relevant.

The HTDC, and Hawaii in general, would be well served by having Bernice in this role.

Mahalo for your consideration.



Ryan Kawailani Ozawa



**LATE**

March 8, 2022  
(via email attachment)

The Honorable Glenn Wakai  
Hawaii State Senator  
Chair, Senate Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism  
Hawaii State Capitol 415 S. Beretania St., #407, Hon., HI 96813  
(808) 586-8585

Re: Nomination of Bernice Glenn to Board of Hawaii Technology Development Corporation

Dear Senator Wakai and Committee Members,

I am writing in support of the nomination of Bernice Glenn to the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation Board.

I have known Bernice for years in our capacities supporting the Hawaii Defense Economy sector, cybersecurity sector, and technology workforce efforts, in particular. She offers to Hawaii her deep and high-level contacts across the National defense community, the economic development network in Hawaii, and her strong ties to political and defense industry leadership in Japan.

I strongly recommend Bernice for this position as I have seen her passion to ensure that Hawaii uses innovative approaches and leverages existing federal and industry programs to secure contract opportunities for Hawaii companies and job opportunities and career pathways for Hawaii's talent pool.

Mahalo for this opportunity to provide this recommendation for Bernice Glenn.

Respectfully,

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Teddi Anderson  
President & CEO

March 3, 2022

Mr. Tim Faulkner  
tim.faulkner16@mail.com

To whom it may concern:

I highly recommend Ms. Bernice Glenn for the position of Technology and Workforce Development in Hawaii and the Pacific Region. I have observed executive excellence while she served in positions of technology development and trend analysis, talent management, and strategic communication and messaging for the Army and the State of Hawaii. She understands how to lead people, build collaborative networks, plan and program, drive innovation and achieve results. Truly a remarkable leader and team player who has served at the senior level.

Bernice has the senior level business acumen and Pacific Region experience to serve at the executive level. She has served in multiple capacities in the Pacific Region and is a known quantity. Ms. Glenn separates herself from others by being a humble team player who can balance a multitude of complex problems. Bernice has built key US Department of Defense and business stakeholders, and coalition partners to achieve significant results. Her ability to impact strategic outcomes and provide keen assessments to senior officials is unmatched. She understands the culture and the political dynamics of the Indo-Asia Pacific Region.

Ms. Bernice Glenn has my highest recommendation. She is a selfless servant that will have a positive organizational impact.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Timothy L. Faulkner', with a large, sweeping flourish above the name.

Timothy L. Faulkner

**LATE**

**From:** Dave Kozuki <[davekozuki@gmail.com](mailto:davekozuki@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 1:11 PM

**To:** Sen. Glenn Wakai <[senwakai@capitol.hawaii.gov](mailto:senwakai@capitol.hawaii.gov)>

**Subject:** : Nomination of Bernice Glenn to Board of Hawaii Technology Development Corporation

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The Honorable Glenn Wakai

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Senator Wakai:

Please accept my letter of support for Bernice Glenn as nominated to the Board of Hawaii Technology Development Corporation.

As an executive entrepreneur in the Hawaii Technology Sector, I have a long history of working with HTDC in multiple capacities. Therefore, I am familiar with the mission of HTDC and the importance it plays in helping to develop Hawaii's Tech economy.

I have also had the pleasure of working directly with Bernice Glenn. Her dedication and understanding of Hawaii's Technology Sector is truly an asset that I hope we can harness for the Board of HTDC. Besides Bernice's overall technical and strategic understanding of the industry, she is also extremely well connected to Hawaii's Department of Defense leadership ecosystem, enabling her to bring local resources to assist with their mission. At the same time, this will help bring more opportunities to Hawaii.

Sincerely,

Dave Kozuki

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**From:** Jon Wallenstrom <[jonw@alaka-i.com](mailto:jonw@alaka-i.com)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 8, 2022 1:58 PM

**To:** Sen. Glenn Wakai <[senwakai@capitol.hawaii.gov](mailto:senwakai@capitol.hawaii.gov)>

**Subject:** Recommendation for Bernice Glenn to Board of the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation

Dear Senator Wakai,

I strongly recommend Bernice Glenn and know that the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation (HTDC) will benefit from her involvement on their board of directors.

I have known Bernice for many years and while she would be a welcome and important addition to any endeavor, she is particularly skilled and knowledgeable in issues that involve technology. Hawaii needs to advance and expand our high-tech footprint and Bernice has already been an ambassador and driver of that future. HTDC could not find a better person to join their board and assist them in their pursuit of their mission.

I personally believe that there are few things more important to Hawaii than expanding professional opportunities for our citizens. I would feel much better about my future if Bernice Glenn were given a voice in HTDC as that is an agency that can help create a better Hawaii.

thank you for the opportunity to provide this recommendation,

Jon C. Wallenstrom  
Founder, Alaka'i Development

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