

Stanley Young

Senator Joy San Buenaventura
Chair, Senate Committee on Human Services
State Capitol
Honolulu Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator San Buenaventura,

Thank you for this opportunity to answer your questions for this nomination to the State Rehabilitation Council. Here are my answers:

- 1). Having been on the SRC for the last two years, I wish to continue to volunteer and give my input to the SRC, to give suggestions and feedback for rehabilitative services from the point of view of business, as well as from a perspective of a rehabilitation client. Again, thank you for the opportunity.
- 2). Having been a client of Hoopono for 25 years, and as a licensed blind vendor of the State Licensing Agency, Hawaii Department of Human Services, I take a serious role and responsibility on the SRC to help our rehabilitation community to make the best value of our resources and services for those who need rehabilitation.
- 3). Having started as a blind vendor, sole proprietor with no employees at the Waikiki Post Office, and having operated facilities from Kuhio Park Terrace to the mess hall at Kaneohe Marine Corps, together with my current facility with 84 employees, my background and experience in business, management, budgeting, customer relations, expense and inventory control, insurance and

employee relations, may help to provide some valuable input and suggestions to the State Rehabilitation Council.

4). I hope to do my best to contribute to the SRC.

5). I hope that my ability to communicate and collaborate would facilitate cooperation among the members of the SRC.

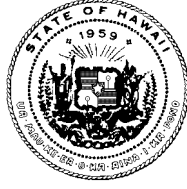
6). I am Chair of the elected Hawaii State Committee of Blind Vendors, a Committee mandated by the Federal Randolph Sheppard Act. This is a result of collaboration with the blind vendors, and this ability will help with the members of the SRC.

7). I don't see any conflicts of interest at this time, and should any, in my opinion, arise, I will recuse myself from voting on such issues.

Mahalo,

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TO: The Honorable Chair Joy A. San Buenaventura
Senate Committee on Human Services

FROM: Cathy Betts, Director
Maureen Bates, Administrator, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

SUBJECT: **GM 661 – Relating to consideration and confirmation to the State Rehabilitation Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, Stanley Young, for a term to expire on 06-30-2025.**

HEARING: Tuesday, April 5, 2022, 3:00 P.M.
Conference Room 225 & Videoconference, State Capitol

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR), Department of Human Services, supports the nomination and confirmation of Mr. Stanley Young to the State Rehabilitation Council (SRC).

Mr. Young seeks an appointment to the SRC as a representative for the disability advocacy groups representing a cross-section of individuals with physical, cognitive, sensory, and mental disabilities, and parents, family members, guardians, advocates, or authorized representatives of individuals with disabilities who have difficulty in representing themselves or are unable due to their disabilities to represent themselves as described in section 348-8(a)(6), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

Mr. Young is a person with a disability whose personal experiences can provide insight to advocate for the disability community regarding the vocational rehabilitation process. Mr. Young is a blind vendor at Daniel K. Inouye International Airport newsstand and, along with his partners, employs over 80 individuals with disabilities. Mr. Young's

first-hand experiences are precisely the type of knowledge needed to advise DVR on what programs best suit the needs of individuals with disabilities seeking employment.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of this nomination.