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To: The Honorable Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Chair
The Honorable Chris Lee, Vice Chair, and
Members of the Senate Committee on Labor and Technology

Date: Wednesday, April 5, 2023

Time: 3:00 pm

Place: Conference Room 224 & Videoconference, State Capitol

From: Jade T. Butay, Director
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR)

Re: GM 596; Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, JOHN MIHLBAUER, JR., for a term to expire 06-30-2026.

The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations **strongly supports** the confirmation of John Mihlbauer Jr. to the Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board (HMOAB).

Mr. Mihlbauer possesses the experience and knowledge to serve on the HMOAB. Mr. Mihlbauer is a professionally license engineer in California and Hawaii with an extensive professional experience in engineering. He earned his MS in Safety and Systems Management from the University of Southern California and his BS in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Hawaii.

Mr. Mihlbauer has previously served as the Chairperson of the HMOAB. The Department greatly appreciate his willingness to continue to serve voluntarily on this important board and to ensure that the construction tower and crane operators across the islands operate hoisting machines in a safe and lawful manner on behalf of the citizens of our State.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of Governor's Message 596.