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Testimony of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

Before the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection Friday, April 5, 2024 9:30 a.m. Conference Room 229 and Via Videoconference

On the following measure: G.M. 745, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, SHERRY MIZUMOTO, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2028

Chair Keohokalole and Members of the Committee:

My name is Nadine Y. Ando, and I am the Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (Department). The Department supports the appointment of Dr. Sherry Mizumoto to the Board of Acupuncture (Board).

As the owner and operator of Dr. Sherry L. Mizumoto Acupuncture, she has successfully developed and marketed an acupuncture & herbal clinic. Additionally, her role as a professor at Pacific College of Health and Science highlights her commitment to educating and mentoring future acupuncture professionals.

Dr. Mizumoto's clinical experience at the University of California San Diego Center for Integrative Medicine, coupled with her educational background, including a doctorate in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, and licensures, make her a highly qualified candidate for the position. Testimony of DCCA G.M. 745 Page 2 of 2

Dr. Mizumoto's extensive experience, leadership skills, and commitment to excellence make her an excellent candidate for the Board of Acupuncture. I support her confirmation and believe she will bring valuable perspectives to the Board's mission.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.