

Testimony of the Board of Dentistry

**Before the
Senate Committee on Commerce & Consumer Protection
Friday, April 11, 2025
9:30 a.m.
Conference Room 229 and Videoconference**

**On the following measure:
G.M. 732, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION
TO THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, MARIANNE TIMMERMAN,
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2029**

Chair Keohokalole and Members of the Committee:

My name is Sheena Choy, and I am the Executive Officer of the Board of Dentistry (Board). The Board supports the confirmation of Marianne Timmerman's appointment to the Board as a dental hygiene member.

Ms. Timmerman has been licensed as a Hawaii dental hygienist since August 28, 1991, and her license is current, valid, and in good standing. She previously served as a dental hygiene member on the Board from 2014 to 2019, attending 33 of 37 meetings.

Ms. Timmerman is actively involved in the dental hygiene community, serving in leadership roles with the Hawaii Dental Hygienist's Association and as a state representative to various national clinical testing agencies. Her involvement at both the local and national level allows her to have a keen pulse on the policy issues facing the field of dentistry and dental hygiene. Ms. Timmerman's extensive volunteer service as an examiner for state and national clinical dental hygiene examinations further equips her with valuable insight on the evaluation of clinical competency for licensure.

The Board believes that Ms. Timmerman's proven commitment to protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the community, local and national leadership experience, and professional expertise will be an asset to the Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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To Whom it May Concern,

It is an honor and my extreme pleasure to recommend my very best friend, Marianne Timmerman, as a hygiene member on the Board of Dentistry. I have been fortunate to have had Marianne's unwavering support and encouragement for 26 joyous years. She is the glue that holds her family and friends together, consistently demonstrating exceptional leadership, problem-solving skills, compassion and an unparalleled ability to diplomatically and confidently tackle difficult situations. I know that she takes great pride in, and dedication to, her career as a dental hygienist and would unquestionably be an asset to your Board.

Please use my contact information provided should you have any questions or if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

/s/

Ginny Wakefield