

**OAHU REGION
HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION**

The Honorable Senator David Y. Ige
Chair
Senate Committee on Health
415 South Beretania Street, Room 215
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator David Ige:

I am writing to you to express interest in serving as a member of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Board of Directors, Oahu region. Beyond my oversight of operations at Chaminade University, I would like to expand my involvement in community affairs. I am therefore particularly interested in the available governance position.

I believe that I have the ability to work well with stakeholders and undertake substantial tasks while serving the community. I understand that my role requires a commitment to improving the healthcare service for the residents of Oahu, particularly in the area of rural and long-term care. I would be grateful for an opportunity to further develop effective responses to the challenges ahead of us.

I hope to have the opportunity to meet with you and your committee members. If I can provide any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you very much for your review and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mary C. Wesselkamper
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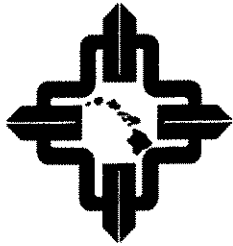
**Biography
of
Sue Wesselkamper**

Dr. Mary Civille (Sue) Wesselkamper was named president of Chaminade University of Honolulu in 1995. She is the first woman to preside over a university in Hawaii, the first to head a Marianist sponsored university, and at the time of her appointment, one of approximately two dozen lay women who were presidents of Catholic colleges and universities nationally.

Before coming to Chaminade University, Dr. Wesselkamper was Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences and Associate Professor of Social Work at the College of New Rochelle in New York State. Before this, she held faculty positions in Virginia at Radford University, at which she also served as Director of the Social Work Field Instruction program, and at New River Community College, at which she headed the Community and Social Services Program.

Dr. Wesselkamper earned a Doctorate in Social Welfare from the Graduate Center of the City University of New York, a Masters degree in Social Work from the University of Michigan, and a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and Government from Edgecliff College. Her professional and scholarly interests are in cross-cultural learning, experiential learning, and planning and program assessment.

Dr. Wesselkamper serves on the following Boards: the Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), the University of Dayton, the Marianist Center of Hawaii, the Kukui Gardens Corporation, the Hawaii P-20 Council, and the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council. She is a member of the Honolulu Rotary club and the Hawaii Women's Forum.



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Senator David Ige
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**TESTIMONY SUPPORTING
THE CONFIRMATION OF DR. MARY C. WESSELKAMPER
AS MEMBER OF THE HHSC OAHU REGION SYSTEMS BOARD**

Individual Testimony of
VINCENT H.S. LEE
Chief Executive Officer
Hawaii Health Systems Corporation
Oahu Region

I am Vince Lee, HHSC Oahu region chief executive officer. I appreciate the opportunity to testify in strong support of the confirmation of Dr. Mary C. Wesselkamper.

Dr. Wesselkamper has an extensive background in education and social work. She currently serves as the President of Chaminade University of Honolulu and is the past Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences and Associate Professor of Social Work at the College of New Rochelle in New York State. She currently is a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Dayton, the Marianist Center of Hawaii Board, the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council and the America, and the Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

We envision that Dr. Wesselkamper will bring her knowledge and expertise to bear in this important time when healthcare will need to effectively respond to the growing needs of our island communities.

Thank you for this opportunity to recommend. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 733-7911.

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