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October 26, 2007

Senator David Y. Ige, Chairperson
Senator Carol Fukunaga, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Health
415 South Beretania Street, Room 215
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: HHSC Maui Regional Board of Directors Hearing
Monday, October 29, 2007, 1:15 PM. Conference Room 016

Dear Senators Ige, Fukunaga, and other Committee members;

While I plan to attend this hearing in person, I did want to write ahead of time to express my gratitude for being given the opportunity to discuss my nomination to serve a member of this important Board of Directors. I am honored to be considered for this illustrious position and, if selected, will fulfill my duties as a board member to the best of my ability.

I have a master's degree in public administration with an emphasis on health care financing and worked for several years as a health policy analyst in Washington DC. Currently, as the Kula Community Association Vice-President and Chair of the Health and Safety Committee, it is my responsibility to build relationships with all healthcare groups on Maui and to educate policymakers about our needs. It is in this capacity that I have worked with Maui Memorial Medical Center and become familiar with their financial and operational systems. I have also worked with Lee Johnson, Administrator of Kula Hospital, and understand the unique role the hospital plays in providing health care on Maui.

I welcome this new opportunity to bring the public and other community groups in Maui County into the governance process. I also look forward to working with HHSC and with the other regional boards to create a unified, yet flexible system able to take advantage of economies of scale and be responsive to each other, and our own local communities.

I appreciate your consideration for my nomination, and I welcome the opportunity to discuss this matter further and answer questions regarding my potential appointment at the hearing.

Sincerely,



Gina Flammer



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Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Maui Region

October 25, 2007

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Senator David Y. Ige --Chairperson
Senate Committee on Health
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street, Room 215
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Ige:

I wish to express my strong support of the following nominees for the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Maui Region Board of Directors. I am confident this team will provide leadership and direction that will greatly enhance and add value to the Maui region:

- Zadoc Brown, Jr.
- Grant Chun
- Gina Flammer
- G. Stephen Holaday
- Donna McCleary, M.D.
- Lee Miyasato, M.D.
- Howard Nakamura
- Betty Jane Ott
- Karen Oura
- Susan Stewart, M.D.
- Richard Clay Sutherland.

We have had the pleasure to meet and work together recently on some informational sessions on the status of healthcare in Hawaii, and I can attest to their personal commitment through their willingness to learn, as well as to serve in this regard.

I respectfully request your consideration in approving their nomination and would welcome further discussion on these important appointments for the betterment of the Maui community.

Sincerely,

Wesley Lo
Chief Executive Officer
Maui Memorial Medical Center