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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 express my interest in serving on the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation East Hawaii Regional Board of Directors. As the owner of Kinesis Hawaii, a Physical Therapy/Rehabilitation Clinic in Pahos as well as the Rural Physical Therapy Clinic in Ka'u, I can provide the board with an intimate perspective on rural health care. In addition, my experience includes serving as President of the Hilo Medical Center Foundation for a number of years and having also been a member of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Corporate Board.

A perfect storm in the current state of healthcare is brewing and I believe I can make a difference in changing the course of healthcare in East Hawaii. I have lived in Hawaii since 1979 and have over 32 years of experience in the Physical Therapy field. There is nothing more I want to see in the coming years than the advancement of healthcare in East Hawaii.

I would greatly appreciate an opportunity of meet with you and members of the Senate Committee on Health. Enclosed is my resume for your review. Please feel free to call me at 965-8686.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Enclosure

#### Carol Myrianthis, R.P.T./PsyD.

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Dr. Carol Myrianthis, is co-owner of Kinesis Hawaii, a Physical Therapy/Rehabilitation Clinic in Pahoa as well as the Rural Physical Therapy Clinic in Kau. In addition to serving as Foundation President, Dr. Myrianthis is an active member of the Executive, Public Relations, and VA Home Planning Committees. Dr. Myrianthis lives in Hilo with her husband Nick.

Dr. Myrianthis was born and raised on Montreal, Canada. She received her Bachelors of Science Degree in Physical Therapy from McGill University in Montreal. She received her Masters of Science Degree in Behavioral Science from California Coast University (CCU) and earned her Doctoral Degree in Psychology from CCU in May of 2003.

Dr. Myrianthis has over 32 years experience in the physical therapy field. While in Canada, she was Staff Therapist at the Jewish Convalescent Hospital; Consultant Physical Therapist for Miriam Home of Exceptional Children; and Staff Therapist and Clinical Coordinator at the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Center. Dr. Myrianthis served as Staff Therapist for the Easter Seal Society in Maui and served as Staff Therapist (1980-1982) and Director of Physical Therapist (1982-1987) at HMC. In 1982, she became coowner of Kinesis Hawaii, a private Rehabilitation Practice in Hilo and in 1989 she established the Rural Physical Therapy Clinic in Kau and in 1994 in Pahoa. From 1992 through 1996, Dr. Myrianthis was the Clinical Site Coordinator and Clinical Assistant for the North American Institute of Manual Therapy. From 1994 to 1996, she provided physical therapy services to LifeCare Center in Hilo, where she established the Physical Therapy Department. In addition, Dr. Myrianthis was recruited as Rehabilitation Manager of LifeCare Center and Hale Anuenue in 1998 and re-opened Pahoa Physical Therapy/Rural Rehabilitation Clinic (Kinesis Hawaii) in 1999.

Dr. Myrianthis' interest include behavioral medicine, orthopaedics, art, dance, physical fitness, travel, reading, and writing. Her professional affiliations include the Canadian Physiotherapy Association, American Physical Therapy Association, and Reality Therapy Association. Dr. Myrianthis served on the Board of Directors of the Bay Clinic, Hospice of Hilo, Arthritis Foundation, the East Hawaii Cultural Center and was the first woman Commodore of the Hilo Yacht Club. She chairs the Home Health Advisor Committee and is the Past President of the Hawaiian Physical Therapy Association (HPTA), Independent Physical Therapy Network of Hawaii, and Business and Professional Women.

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#### SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair Senator Carol Fukunaga, Vice Chair Monday, October 29, 2007 at 1:15 pm Conference Room 016

### TESTIMONY SUPPORTING THE CONFIRMATION OF CAROL MYRIANTHIS, RPT, PsyD AS MEMBER OF THE HHSC EAST HAWAII REGIONAL BOARD

Individual Testimony of RONALD J. SCHURRA Chief Executive Officer Hawaii Health Systems Corporation East Hawaii Region

I am Ronald Schurra, HHSC East Hawali region chief executive officer. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the confirmation of Carol Myrianthis, RPT, PsyD to the HHSC East Hawali Regional Board.

Ms. Myrianthis has been involved in advocating healthcare in the East Hawaii region for many years. She has provided her expertise as the President of the Hilo Medical Center Foundation and a member of the HHSC Corporate Board. Ms. Myrianthis would be an excellent member of the HHSC East Hawaii Regional Board. She also provides Physical Therapy care to those in rural areas, which makes her an ideal driver for improved healthcare in our region.

Ms. Myrianthis recognizes that we are at a critical juncture in the history of HHSC. With her expertise, I know she will help us solve our healthcare challenges and achieve our healthcare goals.

Thank you for this opportunity to endorse Ms. Myrianthis. Should you have any guestions, please feel free to contact me at 974-4729.

# Hilo Medical Center We Care for Our Community HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION

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Individual Testimony of MONEY ATWAL Regional Chief Financial Officer / Regional Chief Information Officer Hawaii Health Systems Corporation East Hawaii Region

I am Money Atwal, HHSC East Hawaii region Regional Chief Financial Officer and Regional Chief Information Officer. I thank you for the opportunity to provide my endorsement for the confirmation of Carol Myrianthis, RPT, PsyD to the HHSC East Hawaii Regional Board.

Ms. Myrianthis is deeply committed to healthcare in the East Hawaii region. She has served as the President of the Hilo Medical Center Foundation and a member of the HHSC Corporate Board. She also knows the concerns of those in rural areas, such as Ka'u and Pahoa where she provides Physical Therapy care.

Ms. Myrianthis' understanding of the healthcare issues makes her an excellent candidate for the regional board. With her expertise, I know she will help our region improve the care we give our people.

Thank you for this opportunity to endorse Ms. Myrianthis. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 974-6956.

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> Individual Testimony of JULIE-BETH AKO Health Systems Services Director Hawaii Health Systems Corporation East Hawaii Region

I am Julie-Beth Ako, HHSC East Hawaii region Hospital Systems Services Director. I appreciate the opportunity to provide my support for the confirmation of Carol Myrianthis, RPT, PsyD to the HHSC East Hawaii Regional Board.

Ms. Myrianthis has provided her expertise as the President of the Hilo Medical Center Foundation and a member of the HHSC Corporate Board. She also recognizes the needs of those in rural areas by providing Physical Therapy care in Ka'u and Pahoa.

Ms. Myrianthis's commitment to improving healthcare in our region is clear and proven. With her expertise, I know she will make an excellent member of the HHSC East Hawaii Regional Board.

Thank you for this opportunity to endorse Ms. Myrianthis. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 974-4734.



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TESTIMONY SUPPORTING THE CONFIRMATION OF CAROL MYRIANTHIS AS MEMBER OF THE HHSC EAST HAWAII REGION SYSTEMS BOARD

> Individual Testimony of Heather Gallo Development Consultant Hilo Medical Center Foundation

I am Heather Gallo, Hilo Medical Center Foundation Development Consultant. I appreciate the opportunity to testify in strong support of the confirmation of Carol Myrianthis.

Carol Myrianthis has served as the President of the Hilo Medical Center Foundation for over five years. Her strong leadership has enabled the Foundation to make many accomplishments during her Presidency. Carol led the Foundation in the Million/Million Capitol Campaign, which raised over \$1 million for the Emergency Department and led the effort to gain state and community support the Hawaii's first Veterans Home. In addition, Carol has served as a Physical Therapist, helping many East Hawaii patients for many years.

I know that Carol will bring her valuable knowledge and experience to this position in this critical time when healthcare will need to effectively respond to the growing needs of our East Hawaii community.

Thank you for this opportunity to recommend Carol Myrianthis. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 808-935-2957.

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Heather Gallo, Development Consultant Hilo Medical Center Foundation