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to expire 6-30-2016.

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STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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October 29, 2013

MEMORANDUM:

TO: The Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senate Committee on Human Services

FROM: Patricia McManaman, Director

SUBJECT: **G.M. 25 - Gubernatorial Nomination of Dr. David Fray to the State
Rehabilitation Council**

Hearing: Tuesday, October 29, 2013; 8:30 a.m.
Conference Room 229, State Capitol

The Department of Human Services (DHS) supports the nomination of Dr. David Fray to the State Rehabilitation Council (SRC).

Dr. David Fray is seeking an appointment for his first term to the SRC. Dr. Fray is currently the Administrator of the Developmental Disabilities Division of the Department of Health. Dr. Fray's professional career has been focused on serving people with disabilities both nationally and internationally. His extensive experience in providing services to individuals with disabilities includes educating professional service providers in alternative practices in health treatment, providing clinical dental services to special needs individuals, and establishing innovative vocational rehabilitation programs for persons with disabilities.

Dr. Fray is a member of numerous national developmental disabilities and special needs organizations and has received many awards for his work in these fields.

Dr. Fray shows a commitment through his work and life to persons with disabilities and will bring his values to the SCR as a visionary believing that people with disabilities can achieve a healthy life of quality and community integration given the right opportunities.

Dr. Fray will provide representation to the SRC for the Parent Information and Training Center and Honolulu County.

The DHS requests a favorable consideration of Dr. David Fray's nomination to the State Rehabilitation Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony to this Committee.

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October 29, 2013

The Honorable Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
The Honorable Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Human Services
Hawaii State Capitol
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RE: GM25, State Rehabilitation Council, gubernatorial nominee DAVID FRAY, on October 29, 2013 at 8:30 am, in the Hawaii State Capitol, Room 226.

Honorable Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland & Honorable Senator Josh Green:

This letter is written in strong support of the nomination of Dr. David Fray to the Rehabilitation Council.

Dr. Fray is the Administrator for the Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Division. In his role over the years, Dr. Fray has been instrumental in the development of Hawaii's system of care for individuals with developmental disabilities. He has worked tirelessly to advocate and administer policies and practices which have resulted in elimination of waitlists, improvements in quality practices such as the Support Intensity Scale and collaborative strategies that build on family and community supports. The Rehabilitation Council and the consumers will greatly benefit from Dr. Fray's membership on the Council because of his extensive knowledge, years of experience and ability to work successfully together with diverse stakeholders.

Thank you very much.

Respectfully submitted,

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October 21, 2013

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland
Chair, Human Services Committee
Hawaii State Capitol
Room 226
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: Dr. David Fray's nomination to the Rehabilitation Council

Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland:

Please accept this letter of support for Dr. David Fray's nomination by Governor Abercrombie to serve as a member on the Rehabilitation Council.

As an Associate Professor at the University of Hawaii – Center on Disability Studies, I have had numerous opportunities to work directly with Dr. David Fray. I always appreciate his breath of knowledge which is a result of his dedication and extraordinary track record of more than 30 years of experience in disability policy both as a clinician and administrator. His most significant role is as the Chief of the Hawaii Department of Health - Developmental Disabilities Division (DOH-DDD) and as a faculty member with the John A Burns School of Medicine Department of Pediatrics, LEND program.

One of Dr. Fray's strengths is his commitment to the disability community which is proven by his actions. This is demonstrated by the systemic changes he has stewarded while Chief of DOH-DDD. He has worked collaboratively with all stakeholders to eliminate waitlists for services at the Department of Health. He supports research to direct well considered decisions for the division. He has championed the adoption of the Support Intensity Scale to provide consistency for the evaluation of services and supports for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. He is a staunch advocate for improved and increased employment opportunities for persons with developmental disability.

Dr. Fray fosters strong relationships with people with disabilities, their families, community agencies, service providers, the University of Hawaii - Centers for Disabilities Studies, Pacific Basin Research and Rehabilitation Training Center, the Department of Education and numerous other stakeholders in the disability field. Further he exhibits collaborative relationships with government agencies, private providers and the advocacy community. These leadership and communication skills equip him to improve the services available in rehabilitation to persons with disabilities.

I strongly support Dr. Fray's nomination to the Rehabilitation Council based upon his knowledge of the field, experience and willingness to serve persons with disabilities and our communities.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rebecca Rude Ozaki". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rebecca" being the most prominent.

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Senator Chun Oakland, Chairperson
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Re: Dr. David F. Fray's Nomination to the State Rehabilitation Council

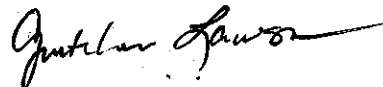
Honorable Suzanne Chun-Oakland:

As the Chairperson for the Hawaii State Rehabilitation Council (SRC) and the President/CEO of a Rehabilitation Facility, The Arc of Kona, I highly recommend Dr. Fray be confirmed as a member of the State Rehabilitation Council. Dr. Fray is currently the Chief of the Department of Health, Developmental Disability Division, as such his expertise in rehabilitation of individuals with Intellectual Disability and the Department of Health's Developmental Disability Division's shared vision of work for those who desire it, regardless of disability, mean a stronger Council (SRC) through collaboration and commitment.

I have worked in the rehabilitation field in the State of Hawaii since 1992 in various capacities and been involved with both the division of Vocational Rehabilitation and the Developmental Disabilities Division throughout that tenure. Both Divisions are working towards independence for people limited by disability so it makes good sense for them to join a forum for deliberative and proactive discussion leading to the attainment of shared goals.

Thank you for your positive affirmation and approval for Dr. Fray's membership on the Hawaii State Rehabilitation Council.

Sincerely,



Gretchen Lawson, Chair, SRC
President/CEO, Arc of Kona

C: Senator Josh Green-VC, Rm. 215; Senator Michele Kidani, Rm. 228;
Senator Sam Sloan, Rm. 214; Brian T Taniguchi, Rm. 219

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October 29, 2013

The Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
The Honorable Josh Green, Vice Chair
Senate Human Services Committee
Twenty-Seventh Legislature
Interim of 2013
Hawaii State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: GM 25 - David Fray - Nomination to the State Rehabilitation Council

Dear Chair Chun Oakland, Vice Chair Green and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii Self-Advocacy Advisory Council (SAAC) represents people with a variety of intellectual and developmental disabilities who work toward improving the lives of persons with disabilities. SAAC is pleased to learn that Dr. David Fray has been nominated by Governor Abercrombie to serve on the Rehabilitation Council.

The members of SAAC have known Dr. Fray for many years through his work as the Chief of the Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Division. SAAC knows he has passion and concern for persons with disabilities and their families.

Dr. Fray has developed strong relationships with people with disabilities, their families, and community service providers. He has 30 years of experience in the field of disabilities taking a leadership role in helping agencies, providers and advocacy groups to improve services to persons with disabilities.

Hawaii Self-Advocacy Advisory Council strongly supports Dr. Fray's nomination to the State Rehabilitation Council based on his knowledge of the field, experience and willingness to serve persons with disabilities and our communities.

Respectfully submitted,

Shavanna Mahoe
President
Hawaii Self-Advocacy Advisory Council

October 16, 2013

Honorable Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland
Chair, Human Services Committee
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RE: Dr. David Fray-- Nomination to the Rehabilitation Council

Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland

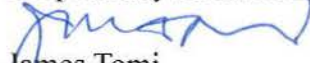
I am pleased to learn that Dr. David Fray has been nominated by Governor Abercrombie to serve on the Rehabilitation Council. I am disabled and am currently working part time as a cook for Abilities Unlimited, a non profit serving the Adult Disabled Community.

I have known Dr. Fray because he has lunch at the cafeteria where I work as a cook. I know he has passion for persons with disabilities and their families. Dr. Fray has worked tirelessly advocating for the disabled community in helping secure not only job opportunities, but more importantly life opportunities-- the chance for disabled individuals to network and gather support and know they are not alone. I am convinced Dr. Fray will bring not only compassion, but courage to the Rehabilitation Council.

Dr. Fray has developed strong relationships with numerous stakeholders in the disability field. He brings more than 30 years of experience in the field of disabilities as both a clinician and administrator.

I strongly support Dr. Fray's nomination to the Rehabilitation Council.

Respectfully submitted,


James Tomi

cc: Senator Josh Green

October 11, 2013

Senator Chun Oakland, Chairperson
Senate Committee on Human Services
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 226
Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Dr. David F. Fray's Nomination to the State Rehabilitation Council

Honorable Suzanne Chun-Oakland:

I am an active leader within the community and service provider industry that is committed to serving others by supporting as well as working towards improving and increasing the resources available to all community stakeholders including persons with disabilities. I was truly pleased to learn of Dr. Fray's nomination to the State Rehabilitation Council and am honored to support this nomination.

As you know, Dr. Fray has been the Chief of the Department of Health, Developmental Disabilities Division for over ten years. I have had numerous opportunities to observe and interact with Dr. Fray over the years- most recently as a Board member for the Hawaii Waiver Providers Association- and can honestly state that Dr. Fray is highly passionate and dedicated to serving all persons with disabilities. In addition, Dr. Fray has successfully built positive, collaborative relationships with government agencies, providers and community members and has worked continuously to advocate for improved employment opportunities for persons with intellectual disabilities.

I believe Dr. Fray's level of expertise and leadership would be highly valuable and appreciated in furthering a vision of independence for persons limited by disability. As a result, I strongly recommend Dr. Fray be confirmed as a member of the Hawaii State Rehabilitation Council.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michele L. Ku". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "M".

Michele L. Ku