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TESTIMONY OF THE
CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER, OFFICE OF ELECTIONS
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY
ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 18
NOMINATION OF SHAWN MERRILL TO THE
BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF THE ISLAND OF HAWAII

August 29, 2017

Chair Taniguchi and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary, thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the nomination of Shawn Merrill to the Board of Registration of the Island of Hawaii, for a term to expire on June 30, 2019.

The purpose of the Boards of Registration is to hear and decide on appeals that arise from a voter challenge or a clerk's decision regarding voter registration. On election days, Board of Registration members sit in their respective counties to hear appeals that may arise from voters registered within the districts.

Ms. Merrill's extensive background in community and public service, and willingness to serve the people of Hawaii makes her an excellent nominee to the Board of Registration of the Island of Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the nomination of Ms. Merrill to the Board of Registration of the Island of Hawaii.