Testimony of the Board of Acupuncture

Before the
Senate Committee on Commerce & Consumer Protection
Friday, March 21, 2025
9:30 a.m.
Conference Room 229 and Videoconference

On the following measure:
G.M. 658, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION
TO THE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, BROOKE FOREMAN,
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2029

Chair Keohokalole and Members of the Committee:

My name is Chelsea Fukunaga, and I am the Executive Officer of the Board of Acupuncture (Board). The Board supports the reappointment of Ms. Brook Foreman to the Board as a licensed member.

Ms. Foreman is the current Vice-Chairperson for the Board, has been licensed since July 1, 2015, and her license is current active, and in good standing. Ms. Foreman currently works as a Functional and Chinese Medicine Doctor and Integrative Health Coach. Since her interim appointment in October 2020, she has attended 22 out of 23 meetings.

Ms. Foreman is a dedicated and reliable member who is always prepared for Board meetings. As the Vice-Chairperson, Ms. Foreman's extensive experience as an acupuncturist enables her to contribute to provide valuable insight and perspective to Board discussions and assist the Board in its decision making.

The Board believes that Ms. Foreman's combination of experience, enthusiasm, and commitment to public service continue to make her a strong choice for reappointment to the Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

Chelsea L. Fukunaga



From: Dr. Sherry Mizumoto

Sent: Wednesday, April 9, 2025 11:39 AM

To: Brooke Foreman

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Subject: Favorable Testimony for GM658 Chairperson Brooke Foreman

My name is Sherry Mizumoto and I am writing to submit strong support for GM658 which pertains to Brooke Foreman remaining as State Board of Acupuncture Vice Chairman for two more years.

Sincerely,

Dr. Sherry L. Mizumoto, DAOM, LAC

Chelsea L. Fukunaga

From: Debbie McMenemy

Sent: Wednesday, April 9, 2025 11:29 AM

To: Chelsea L. Fukunaga

Subject: [EXTERNAL] GM658 Testimony



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Aloha Ms. Fukunaga,

Thank you for receiving testimony for Dr. Brooke Foreman, D.Ac. on her nomination to the Hawaii Acupuncture Board.

I've worked with Brooke since moving to Hawaii 10 years ago. We met while she was teaching a seminar at our annual acupuncture association on O'ahu. Her knowledge and enthusiasm for our profession is vast. Dr. Foreman has always purported herself well and been a strong advocate for our profession and the public.

I strongly support Dr. Foreman's nomination to the Hawaii Acupuncture Board. Mahalo again.

—Dr. Deborah McMenemy, D.Ac.

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Chelsea L. Fukunaga



From: Marta Rebella

Sent: Wednesday, April 9, 2025 7:42 PM

To: Chelsea L. Fukunaga
Cc: Brooke Foreman

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Favorable testimony for GM658 Chairperson Brooke Foreman

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I, Marta Rebella, strongly support Brooke Foreman to continue to serve on the Board of Acupuncture. It has been a pleasure to serve on the Board with Dr. Foreman, she brings a depth of knowledge and insight that is valuable to our meetings.

Marta

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