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### TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE Regular Session of 2008

Friday, March 7, 2008 9:00 a.m.

#### **TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 301.**

TO THE HONORABLE RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department") thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 301, regarding the **reappointment** of Denny R. Sadowski to the Contractors License Board ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Mr. Sadowski's reappointment to the Board.

Mr. Sadowski is being reappointed to the Board as a licensee member. He has been a licensed contractor since March 1, 1979, and his license is current, active, and in good standing. He holds a specialty contractor license in the asphalt paving and synthetic field surface classifications.

Mr. Sadowski has many years of experience in the construction industry, and is familiar with licensing issues and concerns. He is able to clearly and reasonably

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articulate his opinion at Board meetings, and has been instrumental in tracking legislative matters and testifying at legislative hearings on the Board's behalf.

The Department supports the confirmation of Mr. Sadowski to the Contractors License Board, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



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March 7, 2008

To: Honorable Russell Kokubun, Chair

Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable

Housing

Fr: Bruce Barrett, Executive Vice President of Residential Operations

Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii

Re: GM 301 Consideration and Confirmation of Denny Sadowski to the

Contractors License Board for a term to end 6-30-2012

Senate Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing

March 7, 2008; CONFERENCE ROOM 229

On behalf of Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii, we would like to offer our support for the confirmation of Denny Sadowski to the Contractor's License Board for a term to end June 30, 2012.

Mr. Sadowski is the Secretary and Treasurer of CO-HA Builders, Inc., a general contracting company. He has also served as a member of BIA-Hawaii and led its Government Relations Committee from 2002 to 2004.

In 2004, Mr. Sadowski was appointed to the Contractors License Board and has served as the Board's legislative chair for the past three years. His understanding of the construction industry and of government's role in its oversight is essential to his effectiveness on the Contractors License Board.

For these reasons, Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii supports the reappointment of Denny Sadowski to the Contractors License Board.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 548-3746 or Carleton Ching, Vice President of Government and Community Relations, at 548-3793



### **BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION**

March 7, 2008 Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing 9:00 a.m. Room 229

Senator Russell Kokubun, Chair Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing State Capitol, Room 229 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

> RE: GM 301 Consideration and Confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee Denny R. Sadowski to the Contractors License Board for a term to expire 6-30-2012

Dear Chair Kokubun and Members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing:

I am Karen Nakamura, Chief Executive Officer of the Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA-Hawaii). Chartered in 1955, the Building Industry Association of Hawaii is a professional trade organization affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders, representing the building industry and its associates. BIA-Hawaii takes a leadership role in unifying and promoting the interests of the industry to enhance the quality of life for the people of Hawaii.

BIA-Hawaii offers its strong support of GM 301 that nominates Denny Sadowski to the Contractors License Board for a term to expire on June 30, 2012. Mr. Sadowski is the Secretary /Treasurer of CO-HA Builders, Inc., a general contracting company, and is an outstanding member of BIA-Hawaii who led our Government Relations Committee for three consecutive years (2002-2004). As chair of the Government Relations Committee, Mr. Sadowski worked very diligently with the Committee and other members to monitor and lobby on issues of importance to our industry.

Denny Sadowski was appointed to the Contractors License Board in 2004 and has served as the Board's legislative chair. His experience in working with construction groups and with governmental officials was much appreciated and respected.

For these reasons, BIA-Hawaii supports the reappointment of Denny Sadowski to the Contractors' License Board. Thank you for the opportunity to share our views with you.

Karen J. Makamur

### COALITION OF HAWAII ENGINEERING & ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSIONALS

Email to: Testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

Honorable Senator Russell S. Kokubun, Chair, Senator David Y. Ige, Vice Chair and Members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection & Affordable Housing

Subject:

GM 301 - Denny R. Sadowski, Contractor's Licensing Board

Hearing:

Friday, March 7, 2008

Time:

9:00am

Place:

Conference Room 229, State Capitol

Aloha Honorable Senators,

The Coalition of Hawaii Engineering & Architectural Professionals represents several professional Engineering and Architectural organizations including American Council of Engineering Companies Hawaii; American Institute of Architects; Hawaii Chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers; American Public Works Association Hawaii Chapter; Structural Engineering Association of Hawaii; and the Hawaii Society of Professional Engineers.

We urge you to Support GM 301 - Nomination of Mr. Denny R. Sadowski for Contractors Licensing Board. Mr. Sadowski has spent many years of dedicated service as a general contractor and specialty recreational surface contractor. He has been actively involved in the Construction community and is currently serving on the Contractor's Licensing Board, active in the Building Industry Association, and a director for various organizations. He is a dedicated, ethical and hard working business person with BA and MA degrees from the lowa State University.

We urge you to support this nomination. Mahalo for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Coalition of Hawaii Engineering & Architectural Professionals

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RE: GM 301 Consideration and Confirmation of Denny Sadowski to the Contractors License Board for a term to end 6/30/2012

Dear Chair Kokubun and Members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing:

I am John Cheung, President of C C Engineering & Construction, Inc., a general and specialty contractor doing business in Hawaii since 1984.

I strongly support the nomination of Denny Sadowski to the Contractors License Board for a term to expire on June 30, 2012. Mr. Sadowski is the Secretary/Treasurer of CO-HA Builders, Inc., a general contracting company. He is an outstanding member in the construction industry.

Denny Sadowski was appointed to the Contractors License Board in 2004 and has served as the Board's legislative chair for the past 3 years. His understanding of the construction industry and of government's role in its oversight is essential to his effectiveness on the Contractors License Board.

Respectfully submitted,

John Cheung

President

To: Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing

Mar 7, 9am Room 229

Subject: Support for Denny Sadowski Contractors License Board

I write in support of Mr. Sadowski who has proved to be valuable member of our Board these past 4 years. We need people of vision and understanding to serve our industry. Please confirm Mr. Sadowski for a second term.

Mahalo

F.M. Scotty Anderson Vice Chair, State Contractors License Board

### testimony

From: Fred Moore [discover@hsimechanical.com]

Sent: Saturday, March 01, 2008 7:45 PM

To: testimony

Cc: Mary Flood - HI; 'Denny Sadowski'; Karen Nakamura; Karen Iwamoto

Subject: testimony supporting Denny Sadowski's reappointment to the Contractors License Board

Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing Committee

Hearing scheduled for March 7, 2008, 9 AM, Room 229

Representative Robert Herkes, Chair and Committee Members,

My name is Fred Moore, President, HSI Mechanical, Inc. a Hawai'i Small Business since 1979, employing 42 Hawai'i residents.

I writing in support of the nomination of Denny Sadowski to the Contractor's License Board. We strongly support Mr. Sadowski's continued service on this critical board.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our testimony.

With Aloha, Fred:~)

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"When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one which has been opened for us."

-Helen Keller

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March 2, 2008

SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Re: GM 301 Nomination of Denny R. Sadowski to the Contractors License Board.

March 7, 2008 at 9 a.m. in Room 229.

Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing Committee (CPH)

Dear Senator Russell S. Kokubun, Chair; Senator David Y. Ige, Vice Chair and Members of the Committee:

I have known Mr. Sadowski on a professional basis for many years. I have worked with him on numerous matters at BIA Hawaii and wholeheartedly support his reappointment to the Contractors License Board. Mr. Sadowski has volunteered much of his time and expertise to BIA in support of its members and the various issues that concern the construction industry. His knowledge and expertise in the area of construction and contractor related matters is excellent and highly respected by the members of BIA. Mr. Sadowski's dedication to and concern for the industry and the community in general is without question.

Mr. Sadowski has shown that same knowledge, dedication and leadership in his service as a member of the Contractor Licensing Board. He should be allowed to continue in his dedicated work with the Board.

Please confirm the nomination of Mr. Sadowski to the Contractors License Board.

Thank you for allowing me to provide testimony.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Roy T. Ogawa

#### March 7, 2008

# SENATE COMMITTEE on COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION and AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE (CPH) 9:00am

9:00am Room 229

RE: Consideration and Confirmation of Denny Sadowski to the Contractors License Board (CLB) for a term to expire 6-30-2012

Chair Kokubun and Members of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection:

Thank you for allowing my testimony to express my support to the re-appointment of Denny Sadowski to the Contractors License Board.

I currently serve with Mr. Sadowski on the Contractors License Board and describe him the following way:

- Reliable: attends all meetings
- Active: participates in discussion and decisions; Legislative Committee Chair
- Honest: always honest and fair in decision making
- Knowledgeable: his industry knowledge is greatly beneficial to our Board
- Cordial: he is greatly liked by the Board
- Respectful; to those around the table and those who come before it

Mr. Sadowski is a great benefit to the Contractors License Board and his contribution is immeasurable.

Thank you for allowing me to express my support for Mr. Denny Sadowski to the Contractors License Board.

Yours truly,

Joe Kindrich