

GOV. MSG. NO. 360

## **EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS**

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LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

February 5, 2008

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Sirs and Mesdames:

In accordance with the provisions of Article V, Section 6, of the Hawai'i State Constitution, I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration and confirmation, the following nomination to the **State Council on Developmental Disabilities:** 

Liz Ann K. Salvador

Term to Expire: 6/30/2012

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGILE

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March 31, 2008

The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair Senate Committee on Health Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator Ige and Members of the Committee:

SUBJECT: GM 360 - State Council on Developmental Disabilities

Gubernatorial Nominee Liz Ann K. Salvador

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD) **STRONGLY SUPPORTS GM 360** to confirm the nomination of **Liz Ann K. Salvador** for a term to expire on June 30, 2012.

The Council's Federal mandate (P.L.106-402) is clear in determining the composition of this body to ensure that all the players involved in the development, implementation, and use of DD supports are represented. The law specifically requires that 60 percent of the membership of the Council be comprised of individuals with DD, their parents, or family members. Additionally, the following agencies are required to be on the Council: Department of Health; the agencies that administer funds provided under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, the Older Americans Act of 1965; Titles V and XIX of the Social Security Act; the Protection and Advocacy Agency; the Centers for Excellence in DD Education, Research, and Service; agencies and private non-profit organizations concerned with services to individuals with DD. The Governor's nominee meets all the Federal requirements for Council membership.

Ms. Salvador was first appointed by Governor Lingle in 2004. She is the sister of two young men with autism and resides on Kauai. She is the Executive Director of Ho'oheno, a private non-profit organization providing services to individuals with DD. Ms. Salvador is the current Chair of the Council and has been actively involved with Council activities and is a member of the Council's Executive and Community Supports Committees, DD Division's Waiver Policy Advisory Committee, and Quality Assurance Subcommittee.

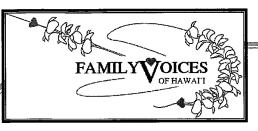
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Ms. Salvador's knowledge and experience as a family member and service provider has continued to contribute to the mission and activities of the Council. We are fortunate to have her as the Chair and a member, and we fully endorse her nomination to the Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in strong support for **GM 360** confirming Liz Ann K. Salvador to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Sincerely,

Waynette K.Y. Cabral Executive Administrator



## Family to Family Health Information Center

Date: March 30, 2008

To: COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Ige, Chair

Senator Carol Fukunaga, Vice Chair

Fr: Leolinda Parlin, State Coordinator for Family Voices of Hawai'i

Re: GM 360 - Support for confirmation to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities,

Gubernatorial Nominee, LIZ ANN K. SALVADOR

On behalf of Family Voices of Hawai'i, I support GM 360.

As an organization, Family Voices is a national grass roots organization of family of friends of child with special health care needs. In Hawai'i, we operate the federally funded Hilopa'a Family to Family Health Information Center.

Liz Ann Salvador has the expertise and experience to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DDC). As a small business owner and a sibling of 2 young adults with developmental disabilities Liz Ann's perspective is invaluable. The inception of their family business on Kaua'i, Ho'oheno Inc., was derived to fulfill a need in the community which as a family they had experienced firsthand - the scarcity of trained resources to serve individuals like her brothers. Since her mother's retirement, Liz Ann has stepped up to the plate in running the organization and has filled her mother's shoes quite well.

Liz Ann has served her family and island community well as the current chair of the DDC. She has always made herself available to participate in subcommittees, workgroups and task forces across departments and programs to further the community based services for individuals with disabilities.

She is a well respected member of the advocacy community.

Thank you for time and consideration in supporting GM 360.