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TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 421

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

The State Department of Transportation enthusiastically supports Mr. William Lindemann's nomination to the Commission on Transportation (COT). Mr. Lindemann contributes noteworthy insights and opinions as a current Commissioner on the COT. It is evident that the other Commissioners value Mr. Lindemann's suggestions, and that Mr. Lindemann enjoys the respect of his peers.

Mr. Lindemann is a licensed professional engineer and a general contractor. He has managed a variety of construction projects throughout his illustrious 25-year career. Mr. Lindemann is extremely knowledgeable and eloquent in his sharing of this knowledge with the Department and with other Commissioners. His continued presence on the Commission will produce milestone policies that will improve the efficiencies and operations of the Department of Transportation.

The Department of Transportation appreciates Mr. Lindemann's sacrifice of time and energy as he serves on the Commission and respectfully asks the Senate to confirm Governor Lingle's nomination of Mr. William Charles Lindemann to the Commission on Transportation, for the term July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2012.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

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February 19, 2008

Honorable J. Kalani English, Chair
Honorable Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair
Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Transportation and International
Affairs,

I am testifying in support of Governor's Message 421, for consideration and confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee, William Charles Lindemann, to the Commission on Transportation for a term to expire on June 30, 2012.

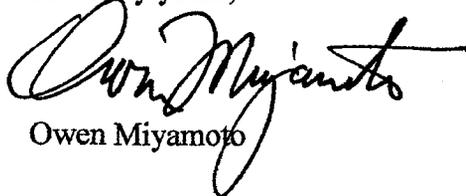
My name is Owen Miyamoto and I am a member of the Commission on Transportation.

The Commission on Transportation is an advisory body to the Director of Transportation with membership made up of persons from each of the counties of the state. Utilizing their private sector experience, the members are able to provide a different outlook on the many programs of the Department. In my previous career in the Airports Division of the Department of Transportation I have had the opportunity to observe how the Commission interacted with the Director and the Department. It was clear that the maximum benefit to the Department came from the interest and participation by individual members of the Commission.

Mr. Lindemann has completed his first term as Transportation Commissioner and is being nominated for a second term as provided by law. Based on my personal observations of his past participation on the Commission, I feel he will continue to provide his valuable input and advise to the Director if confirmed for renewed membership.

I urge your favorable consideration for his appointment.

Sincerely yours,


Owen Miyamoto