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

TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE Regular Session of 2008

> Monday, March 17, 2008 9:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 456.

WRITTEN ONLY

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

My name is Ronald Boyer, Deputy Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony on Governor's Message No. 456, regarding the appointment of Douglas Hiroshi Inouye, to the Board of Private Detectives and Guards ("Board"). The Department supports Mr. Inouye's appointment and respectfully requests that the Committee recommend that the Senate advise and consent to his appointment to the Board.

I am familiar with Mr. Inouye and his candidacy for appointment to the Board in that I have spoken with him about the Board and his interest in serving there. Based on my discussion with Mr. Inouye, I believe that he possesses the qualifications,

background, and experience to contribute in a positive and constructive manner on matters that will come before the Board.

Mr. Inouye has extensive legal experience. He is currently the Corporate

Counsel for the Queen's Health Systems/Queen Emma Land Company, where he is inhouse counsel on all legal matters to the State's largest nonprofit hospital and
healthcare system. Mr. Inouye has also served as a Deputy Attorney General and was
in private practice for several years.

During his tenure as a Deputy Attorney General, Mr. Inouye had the occasion to appear before a number of boards and commissions. Therefore, he has good working knowledge of the mechanics, processes, and procedures of how boards operate.

Mr. Inouye also has a good perspective and insight into the guard industry in Hawaii. His capstone project for his MBA was a comparative analysis of the guard industry in Hawaii and on the Mainland. Additionally, while employed by Outrigger Hotels Hawaii, Mr. Inouye oversaw that entity's guard service.

As with many who volunteer their time to serve on a board or commission of this type, Mr. Inouye is active in his community. He currently serves as a board member of the University of Hawaii Alumni Association.

I am confident that if given the opportunity, Mr. Inouye will prove to be an asset to the State through his service on the Board. I respectfully request that the Committee recommend that the Senate advise and consent to Mr. Inouye's appointment.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on Mr. Inouve's behalf.

TESTIMONY OF **CARLITO P. CALIBOSO**

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING MARCH 17, 2008, 9:30 A.M. RM 229

MEASURE: G.M. 456

TITLE:

BOARD OF PRIVATE DETECTIVES AND GUARDS

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Private Detectives and Guards, Gubernatorial Nominee, DOUGLAS HIROSHI INOUYE, for a term to expire 6-30-2012.

Chair Kokubun and Members of the Committee:

I strongly support the nomination and confirmation of Douglas H. Inouye to the Board of Private Detectives and Guards. I have known Mr. Inouye for several years as a practicing attorney, colleague and friend.

Due to his high level of intelligence, integrity, work ethic, attention to detail, and people skills, I believe that he will be a tremendous asset to the State of Hawaii. Accordingly, I respectfully request that this Committee fully support the confirmation of Mr. Inouye to the Board of Private Detectives and Guards.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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March 12, 2008

Honorable Russell S. Kokubun, Chair State Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, & Affordable Housing Hawaii State Capitol, Room 407 Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Kokubun,

I submit this letter of referral with much enthusiasm and high regard for Douglas Inouye, and his family and community values.

I met Doug while we attended the University of Hawaii Executive MBA Program from 2001-2003. Immediately, he struck as a caring and honest person with a genuine interest in the well being of others. He was the first to open his home to his 24 classmates and their significant others, who soon grew into an extended 'ohana.

In addition to the long hours of MBA study and his crucial role at the Queen Emma Foundation, Doug always found a way to remain a loving husband to his wife, Jane, and dedicated father to his son, Gordon.

Doug once asked me if I would be willing to work with Gordon on refining the skills of his son's first love, soccer. A few months into the program, Doug and his family moved to town in order to avoid the traffic they endured while living in Mililani. I was amazed at how he would drive to Waipio after a long day's work and an hour of traffic, then encourage his son to never give up and continue working at his skills. I would have found another coach, but not Doug. He honors his commitments, especially when it is important to his family.

With an unwavering understanding and caring of people, it is no surprise that Doug has been nominated to serve on another board. He is a natural born philanthropist, who always maintains his strong work ethic, composure, and most importantly, his sense of humor. He has served numerous community causes, and his desire to continually help others is an inspiration.

Perhaps a quote that best summarizes my strong endorsement of Doug is this. I once asked how he willingly donates so much of his time, and he passionately replied:

"I've been blessed with a great life. It is time to give back to others. Today's leaders, tomorrow's next generation...we all need support." Doug has always been, and always will be a man of his word, and I trust that he will accomplish great things on your Board.

I hope you will strongly consider Douglas Inouye for your Board. If I can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact me at 808.356.0361 or $\underline{DavinK@e808.com}$.

Aloha,

Davin Kazama President March 9, 2008

Honorable Russell S. Kokubun, Chair Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing Hawai`i State Capitol, Room 407 Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: <u>Governor's Message No. 456, Nomination of Douglas Hiroshi Inouve to the Board of Private Investigators and Guards</u>

Dear Sen. Kokubun,

I am writing to you in support of the nomination of Douglas Hiroshi Inouye to the Board of Private Investigators and Guards. I have known Mr. Inouye for almost seven years, having first met him in the Executive Masters of Business Administration program at University of Hawai'i. I recommend him for this appointment without reservation, and feel he would make a valuable contribution to the Board.

Mr. Inouye has a number of personal qualifications that have direct application to his Board service. Through fifteen years of legal practice he has developed an impeccable reputation for high ethical conduct and devotion to service. In particular his time as state deputy attorney general has given him a deep understanding of the state's legal and regulatory systems, as well as a strong grasp on the legislative process and the processes of state government. His legal knowledge has been enhanced through his attendance of the MBA program.

In addition to his strong professional background, Mr. Inouye has been an active member of the community and strongly supportive of community development. This has been particularly apparent in his tireless efforts on behalf of the University of Hawai'i, including the UH Foundation and the Alumni Association. Through these activities he demonstrated an ongoing commitment to community service and enhancing the public welfare.

In closing, I will also commend Mr. Inouye for his clarity of thought, his objectivity and his diligent work ethic. I believe that he will make an excellent member of the Board, and again reiterate my recommendation for this appointment. Thank you, Senator, for your public service on behalf of the people of Hawai'i.

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CEO, HG Pacific Management

Timothy J. Roe, MD, MBA PO Box 240577 Honolulu, HI 96824-0577 (808) 377-8520 Dear Senator Kokubun,

I met Douglas Inouye in 2001, when we attended UH's Executive MBA program together. I am glad to call him a friend of mine. He is one of the kindest people I know. He is never too busy to help someone out, when they are in need. He has assisted and guided me many times with business and legal matters and I consider his council invaluable.

Doug is a pleasure to be around and is always quick with a witty comment, joke and smile. He is an extremely hard worker and you can depend on him to finish any job he starts. He is a balanced individual, in that, on one hand he is very intelligent and cerebral, but at the same time he has a great personality and can relax.

What I love most about Doug is his humility. If you just met him on the beach fishing or talked story with him briefly, you probably would not guess that he is a highly accomplished and successful individual. Nothing about Doug suggests arrogance or a desire to impress others. Humility is his strong suit.

I remember in our classes and group work together, Doug was consistently a main player in leading the group, strategizing and getting work done, but he never wanted to take the credit for it. If you look at our class photos with Doug, he is always in the background. He doesn't want to be in the spot light, but would rather see others there and help them to succeed.

Doug is a devoted father and husband and cares greatly for his community. His experience and record speak for themselves and demonstrate Doug's selflessness and commitment to others. His encouragement has lead me to try many new things and I am grateful to him.

Douglas Hiroshi Inouye is the best candidate for your board and after his term is served I guarantee you will wonder how you ever got a long without him.

Respectfully,

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TESTIMONY OF KRIS N. NAKAGAWA (by electronic mai)
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON
COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

GM NO. 456 MARCH 17, 2008, 9:30 a.m.

RELATING TO DOUGLAS HIROSHI INOUYE, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE TO THE BOARD OF PRIVATE DETECTIVES AND GUARDS, FOR TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2012

Chair Kokubun and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on GM No. 456.

I strongly support the appointment of Douglas Hiroshi Inouye as a member of the Board of Private Detectives and Guards ("Board").

I am an attorney licensed in Hawaii since 1992. I first met Mr. Inouye when I began practicing land use and administrative law in the early 1990's at the law firm of Dwyer Imanaka Schraff Kudo Meyer & Fujimoto ("Dwyer Imanaka"). At that time, Mr. Inouye was also employed with Dwyer Imanaka practicing in real estate and litigation. Subsequently, I was also honored and privileged to work with Mr. Inouye again in the Employment Law Division of the Department of the Attorney General in the late 1990s.

I believe Mr. Inouye has the requisite knowledge and experience, particularly in the area of administrative law, to sufficiently perform the necessary duties as a member of the Board. As a colleague, I found him to be honest, fair, ethical and impartial in his decisions and practice of law, and he always strived to educate and encourage others around him to do the same. Accordingly, I believe Mr. Inouye will be a great asset to the Board and the State of Hawaii.

I respectfully request your favorable consideration in the appointment of Mr. Inouye as a member of the Board.



March 14, 2008

Via Email: senkokubun@capitol.hawali.gov

Honorable Russell S. Kokubun Chairman, Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing and

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Re: Confirmation of Douglas Hiroshi Inouye to the Hawaii Board of Private Detectives and Guards

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

I am writing in support of Mr. Douglas Hiroshi Inouye for confirmation of his nomination to the Hawaii Board of Private Detectives and Guards. I have known Mr. Inouye for over 17 years as a friend and as a colleague in the practice of law. Mr. Inouye is currently senior corporate counsel for The Queen's Health Systems and in such capacity he addresses and resolves a wide range of complex legal issues. Mr. Inouye has also served as a Deputy Attorney General for the State of Hawaii and has provided legal guidance to various state departments and the judiciary.

I know Mr. Inouye to maintain the highest degree of integrity, honesty and fairness and I would trust him to be entirely impartial in his deliberations as a member of the Board of Private Detectives and Guards. Mr. Inouye is highly intelligent and he uses his legal and business education and experience to approach issues from a logical and practical standpoint. He is also a tireless problem solver who gets things done.

For the foregoing reasons and more, I urge this committee to confirm Mr. Inouye's nomination to the Board of Private Detectives and Guards.

very rivily yours

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