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TESTIMONY
OF
RUSS K. SAITO, COMPTROLLER
DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES
TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TAXATION
ON
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## RELATING TO CONFIRMATION TO THE KING KAMEHAMEHA CELEBRATION COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, PONI ELLIOT KAMAUU

Chair Fukunaga, and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify before you on the confirmation to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission (the Commission), gubernatorial nominee, Poni Elliot Kamauu. The Department of Accounting and General Services recommends that Mr. Kamauu be recommended for confirmation.

HRS Section 8-5 requires that the Commission have a member from the Papakolea Community Association. Mr. Kamauu is a member of the Papakolea Community Association. His appointment fulfills the statutory requirement for representation.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.