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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF CHRISTIAN YATES NOMINATION TO THE HAWAII STATE REHABILITATION COUNCIL

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Christian Yates to the State Rehabilitation Council.

The SRC strongly supports the nomination of Christian Yates to serve on the State Rehabilitation Council. The Federal Rehabilitation Act mandates that someone from the Dept. of Education, Special Education has a seat on the SRC Council. Christian Yates fulfills this requirement and the seat has been vacant on the Council for some time now.

The SRC looks forward to Christian's participation on the SRC Council. Thank you for your consideration. Feel free to contact me anytime for further information or input.