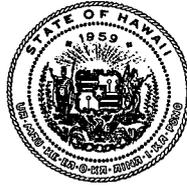


GM 341

Valerie L. Simonsen ND

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea, Gubernatorial Nominee, VALERIE L. SIMONSEN ND, for a term to expire 6-30-2013.

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Testimony of Chiyome Leinaala Fukino, M.D.
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March 11, 2009

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health supports the nomination and confirmation of
2 Dr. Valerie L. Simonsen to the Tri-Isle Subarea Health Planning Council.

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None.

4 **Purpose and Justification:** The purpose is for consideration and confirmation to the Tri-Isle Subarea
5 Health Planning Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, Valerie L. Simonsen. Dr. Simonsen is a licensed
6 naturopathic physician and received her doctorate in naturopathic medicine from the National College of
7 Naturopathic Medicine in Portland, Oregon. For many years she has served the Maui community with
8 complementary medicine and has been an active and contributing member of the Tri-Isle Subarea Health
9 Planning Council for four years.

10 We ask for your support on the reappointment of Dr. Simonsen on the Tri-Isle Subarea Health
11 Planning Council.