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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair

Senate Committee on Human Services

FROM: Lillian B. Koller, Director

SUBJECT: G. M. 428 - GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE MYRNA B. MURDOCH

TO THE COMMISSION ON FATHERHOOD

Hearing: Tuesday, February 24, 2009; 1:15 p.m.

Conference Room 016, State Capitol

G. M. 428 - GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE MYRNA B. MURDOCH TO THE COMMISSION ON FATHERHOOD

The Department of Human Services supports the nomination of Myrna B.

Murdoch to the State Commission on Fatherhood.

Ms. Murdoch has been an active member of the volunteer community in Honolulu serving as a Board member for Honolulu Theater for Youth, Junior League and St.

Francis School for Girls, Punahou PFA member and class parent, member of the YMCA and several other charitable organizations. She founded the Children's Rights Council of Hawaii in 2002 and joined the national board of Children's Rights Council in 2004. She will bring valuable knowledge and insight on issues of parenting, children, and accessing community funds and support. Ms. Murdoch has been serving on Fatherhood Commission since 2006.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Ms. Murdoch's nomination to the Commission on Fatherhood.