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## TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE Regular Session of 2009

Friday, April 17, 2009 9:00 a.m.

#### **TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 566**

#### **WRITTEN ONLY**

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, DAVID Y. IGE, VICE CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Ronald Boyer, and I am the Deputy Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony on Governor's Message No. 566, regarding the appointment of Raymond Skelton to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects ("Board"). The Department supports Mr. Skelton'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. Skelton 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. Skelton, I believe that he possesses the qualifications,

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

Mr. Skelton has over 20 years of experience as a project manager in the heavy construction industry. He is currently a Regional Manager with Goodfellow Bros., Inc., where he is responsible for the company's operations on Maui. Mr. Skelton was responsible for several of the firm's multi-million dollar projects on Maui, including Phases 1 to 4 of the Maui Campus of the Kamehameha Schools, the Wailea Golf Course, Maui Lani Subdivision and Golf Course, and the Kaahumanu Avenue Extension. Mr. Skelton would like to use his extensive experience to help protect the public interest.

Mr. Skelton is a member of the Maui Contractors Association and the Maui Contractors Foundation and also volunteers his time on the St. Anthony School Board.

Mr. Skelton looks forward to giving back to the community by serving on the Board.

I am confident that if given the opportunity, Mr. Skelton 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. Skelton's appointment.

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

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#### **COUNTY COUNCIL**

COUNTY OF MAUI
200 S. HIGH STREET
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April 14, 2009

Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair Honorable David Y. Ige, Vice Chair Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 231 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Senator Baker, Vice Chair Ige and Committee Members:

SUBJECT: LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR RAY SKELTON

I am writing to you in support of Ray Skelton's application to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects.

I have known and worked with Ray Skelton for many years. Ray is a professional, dependable and responsible leader. Ray in continuously contributing to his community and his integrity is shown through his many business accomplishments. Ray would be an outstanding addition to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects and he has my sincere endorsement and support.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or require further information.

Sincerely.

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Council Member

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April 1, 2009

State Boards and Commissions Office of the Governor Hawaii State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Governor Lingle and Commission Members:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Ray Skelton for the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects. I have known him for twenty years and worked with him in the heavy building and construction industry.

Ray has always displayed a high degree of integrity, responsibility, and ambition. He is definitely a leader rather than a follower. In addition to his excellent business and community accomplishments, he has proven his leadership time and time again.

He is also a most dependable team player. His good judgment and mature outlook ensure a logical and practical approach to his endeavors.

Ray would be an asset to any board or commission, and I am happy to give him my wholehearted endorsement.

Sincerely.

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Perry O. Artutes Executive Director Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund

Cc: Ray Skelton





April 14, 2009

Honorable Rosalyn Baker Chair Commerce and Consumer Protection Committee 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Consideration and Confirmation of Raymond Skelton to the Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects Board for a term ending on June 30, 2013

Dear Chair Baker and Committee Members,

I am Jacqueline Haraguchi, Executive Director of the Maui Contractors Association. Maui Contractors Association is a building trade organization with over 220 members and has been the voice of the Building Industry in Maui County for over 40 years.

Maui Contractors Association offers its support of the nomination for Raymond Skelton to the Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects Board for a term to expire on June 30, 2013. Mr. Skelton's knowledge and experience in the building industry will be an asset to the Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to send in support and should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (808)871-5733.

Sincerely,

Jacqueine Haraguer

#### Mr. Charles G. Jencks 75 Ka Drive Kula, HI 96790

March 27, 2009

Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects. C/O State Boards and Commissions Office of the Governor Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, HI 96813

Subject: Consideration of Mr. Raymond Skelton

#### Gentlemen:

Mr. Raymond Skelton has submitted a request for appointment to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects. I am writing to you in support of Mr. Skelton's application. I have knownMr. Skelton for over nineteen years and worked with Mr. Skelton in my capacity as the Director of Public Works for the County of Maui and as an associate in the private sector. Mr. Skelton is a professional in every respect and has the highest regard for ethical and professional conduct. This reputation is reflected in the excellent reputation Goodfellow Brothers, Inc. has in the State of Hawaii. I strongly support his application and selection as member of this important board.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter or recommendation please feel free to contact me in my office at 879-5205.

Sincerely.

Charles Joneks