TESTIMONY OF ROBERT TOYOFUKU ON BEHALF OF THE HAWAII ASSOCIATION FOR JUSTICE (HAJ) IN SUPPORT OF HB NO. 691, RELATING TO PHYSICIAN SHORTAGES

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LATE TESTIMONY

My name is Bob Toyofuku and I am testifying on behalf of the Hawaii Association for Justice (formerly known as CLH*) in Support of H.B. No. 691.

This is a positive approach in attempting to solve the shortage of physicians in rural areas. HAJ wholeheartedly supports the concepts in this bill and is of the opinion that funds should be appropriated at this time in spite of the current economic situation.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in SUPPORT of H.B. No. 691.

^{*} CLH has changed its name to conform to the name of its national organization the American Association for Justice.