

Testimony of Glenn Ida

Representing, The Plumbers and Fitters, Local 675 1109 Bethel St., Lower Level Honolulu, Hi. 96813

Before the Senate:
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Wednesday, April 13, 2011 2011
9:15 AM, Conference Room 229

In **strong Support, GM672**- Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, Gubernatorial Nominee, Vernon Ta'a, for a term to expire 6-30-2015.

Aloha Chair Baker and Vice-Chair Taniguchi and Committee Members,

My name is Glenn Ida; I represent the 1300 plus active members and about 600 retirees of the Plumbers and Fitters Union, Local 675.

Local 675, **strongly Supports** the nomination of Mr. Vernon Ta'a to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Mr. Ta'a served the Plumbers and Fitters Union Local 675, from 1992 till his retirement in 2009. He has a wealth of knowledge of the construction industry focusing on the work of plumbing professionals and their subcontractors. He has obtained an understanding of the rules, regulations and the laws that affect the plumbing trade. His dealing with the Contractors Licensing Board, the Department of Labor, HIOSH and others agencies added to his experience to be an effective lobbyist.

Local 675 respectfully requests your consideration and confirmation of Mr. Vernon Ta'a to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify. Glenn Ida, 808-295-1280



TESTIMONY OF REGINALD CASTANARES

President
The Hawai'i Building and Construction Trades Council,
AFL/CIO

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GM 672 – Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, Gubernatorial Nominee, Vernon Ta'a, for a term to expire June 30, 2015.

Aloha Chair Baker, Vice-Chair Taniguchi and Committee Members,

My name is Reggie Castanares; I have the privilege to serve the Hawai'i Building and Construction Trades Council of the AFL-CIO as its President. Our organization and Affiliates' represent the largest association of the construction trade workers in Hawaii with 16 specialty crafts and trades labor organizations

The HBCTC, strongly Supports, GM 672, the nomination of Vernon Ta'a, to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, whose term expires on June 30, 2015.

Mr. Ta'a served the Plumbers and Fitters Union Local 675, from 1992 till his retirement in 2009. He has a wealth of knowledge of the construction industry focusing on the work of plumbing professionals and their subcontractors. He has obtained an understanding of the rules, regulations and the laws that affect the plumbing trade. He helped to direct the legislative strategies on behalf of Local 675. His dealing with the Contractors Licensing Board, the Department of Labor, HIOSH and others agencies added to his experience to be an effective lobbyist.

The HBCTC respectfully requests your consideration and confirmation of Mr. Vernon Ta'a to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Reginald Castanares, President Hawaii Building and Construction Trades Council



To: The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer
Protection

From: Frances Rivero

RE: GM-672- Consideration and confirmation as the Director for the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, Nominee, VERNON TA'A - SUPPORT

Aloha Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

I respectfully urge your committee's support to confirm Vernon Ta'a to serve on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Thank you for your consideration.

Frances Rivero

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The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

From: Gale Braceros

GM-672- Consideration and confirmation as the Director for the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, Nominee, VERNON TA'A – SUPPORT

Aloha Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

I respectfully urge your committee's support to confirm Vernon Ta'a to serve on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Thank you for your consideration.

Gale Braceros

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To:

The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair
Wembers of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

From: Cal Sueoka

RE:

GM-672- Consideration and confirmation as the Director for the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, Nominee, VERNON TA'A - SUPPORT

Aloha Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

I respectfully urge your committee's support to confirm Vernon Ta'a to serve on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Thank you for your consideration.

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The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

From: Dolores Gettle

RE:

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Aloha Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

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To:

The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

From: Lorrie W. Kanno

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Alpha Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Thank you for your consideration.

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To:

The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

From: Linda Lacaden

RE:

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Aloha Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

I respectfully urge your committee's support to confirm Vernon Ta'a to serve on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Thank you for your consideration.

Linda Lacaden

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To:

The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

From: Mel Uesato

RE:

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Aloha Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

I respectfully urge your committee's support to confirm Vernon Ta'a to serve on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Thank you for your consideration.

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To:

The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

From: Maeda Timson

RE:

GM-672- Consideration and confirmation as the Director for the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, Nominee, VERNON TA'A – SUPPORT

Aloha Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

I have worked with Vernon Ta'a in the past, and I strongly support his confirmation to serve on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Thank you for your consideration, and I respectfully urge your committee's support to confirm this nomination.

Sincerely,

Maeda Timson 92-684 Nohona St. Kapolei, Hi. 96707



To:

The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

From: Georgie Pascua

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Aloha Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

I respectfully urge your committee's support to confirm Vernon Ta'a to serve on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Thank you for your consideration.

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The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

From: Fayth Okumura

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I respectfully urge your committee's support to confirm Vernon Ta'a to serve on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Thank you for your consideration.

Fayth Okumura

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