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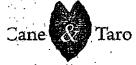
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Via Email (TSMTestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov)

Senator Donna Mercado Kim Chair, Committee on Tourism Hawaii State Legislature Hawaii State Capitol, Room 210 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

Re: Governor's Message No. 752 - Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Tourism Authority, Gubernatorial Nominee Craig G. Nakamura; Hearing Date: April 25, 2011; Hearing Time: 3:00 p.m.

Dear Senator Kim and Committee Members:

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to provide this letter in support of Craig G. Nakamura's nomination to the Hawai'i Tourism Authority.

I have known Craig since 1995, when I moved to Maui from the mainland, having met him through mutual friends. Since that time, Craig has represented me and my companies with respect to my Sansei Seafood and Sushi Bar and other restaurants on Maui, Oahu and the Big Island. I know that he also represents other restaurants, hotels and property owners whose businesses are dependent to a large degree on our visitor industry. Craig also has a deep seated appreciation of our culture and the things that make Hawai'i special. As a result, Craig has an excellent understanding of the impacts of tourism on the State of Hawaii.

— Craig is someone that I know will not hesitate to assist me whenever I call, as both a friend and attorney. He has a great family and strong community ties. I know he will be an asset to the Hawai'i Tourism Authority Board and I am happy to provide this letter supporting him for this position.

Sincerely,

Dave Kodarna

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