GM762

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Aerospace Advisory Committee, Gubernatorial Nominee, Galen Ho, for a term to expire 6-30-2013.



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Statement of

RICHARD C. LIM Director

Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism before the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:00 p.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 224 in consideration of GM 762

RELATING TO CONFIRMATIONS FOR THE

HAWAII AEROSPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Chair Espero, Vice Chair Kidani, and members of the Committee. The department strongly supports the nomination of Galen Ho for appointment to the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee.

Galen Ho brings with him unique and outstanding credentials that can support the Aerospace Advisory Committee's mandate to advise and assist the Legislature and State agencies in monitoring, assessing and promoting aerospace development statewide. We are most fortunate to have Galen Ho's enthusiastic commitment and support for this endeavor, and would urge your favorable disposition on his nomination.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Galen Ho's behalf.

April 12, 2011

Senator Will Espero

Chair, Senate committee on public safety, government operations & military affairs

Dear Sir:

Under the previous administration I served in an interim capacity on the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory committee and attended two sessions after its formation and am looking to continue in that role for the prescribed term of service. I believe that my 37 years in the Aerospace industry qualifies me to aid in helping define a viable Aerospace strategy for Hawaii (see my attached resume). As you can see by that resume, I have served in the Armed forces, and spent time as a senior executive with the IBM Corp, the Loral Corp., The Lockheed Martin Corp and most recently the BAE Systems Plc.

As a current member of the AAC, I helped personally fund and conduct a Hawaii Aerospace industry study via the UH Schidler College of Business looking back over the past three years in this state. A copy of this study is available thru Jim Crisafulli, Director of Aerospace Development in DBEDT.

I currently am retired and serve as president and owner of my own Consultancy Company serving various aerospace and education enterprises. In my three year term, I hope to be able to contribute to a strategy that allows the Aerospace industry to be a viable economic force in Hawaii

GALEN I. HO