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## Testimony SUPPORTING THE INTENT of HCR 126 Urging the Governor to Appoint a Long-Term Care Coordinator

HOUSE HEALTH COMMITTEE Rep. Ryan Yamane, Chair Rep. Dee Morikawa, Vice Chair

HOUSE HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE Rep. John Mizuno, Chair Rep. Jo Jordan, Vice Chair

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Chair Mizuno, Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Jordan, Vice Chair Morikawa and members of the committee, thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on HCR 126 Urging the Governor to Appoint a Long-Term Care Coordinator. I support the intent of this resolution but believe that this resolution is unnecessary because I have already appointed Dr. Wes Lum as the Executive Director of the Executive Office on Aging. He is my administration's leader in issues relating to older adults.

As the director of the Executive Office on Aging, Dr. Lum is well respected in the community and has been working during the past year to develop the "Hawaii Systems Change Initiative", a 5-year state plan to implement the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC), the Community Living Program (CLP) and the Person-centered Hospital Discharge Planning (HDP) Initiative. He is also coleader in a collective impact partnership initiative called "Hui Kupa'a" that will collect data and work on shared goals with the private sector.

I am confident that Dr. Wes Lum will carry out the goals in my New Day Plan for our kupuna. Under his leadership, we will ensure that our retirees and elders live productive and dignified lives at home and in the community, develop a Center of Excellence on Aging, and create a "silver wave" of opportunities for active older adults.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on HCR 126.

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