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TESTIMONY OF THE

CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER, OFFICE OF ELECTIONS TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 563 NOMINATION OF PHILIP MATLAGE TO THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF THE ISLAND OF HAWAII

April 10, 2013

Chair Hee and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor, thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the nomination of Philip Matlage to the Board of Registration of the Island of Hawaii, for a term to expire June 30, 2013.

The purpose of the Boards of Registration is to hear and decide appeals that arise from a voter challenge or a clerk's decision regarding voter registration. On election days, Board of Registration members sit in their respective counties to hear appeals that may arise from voters registered within the districts.

Mr. Matlage was appointed on July 25, 2012, on an interim basis, and served as a Board of Registration Member at the 2012 Primary and General Elections.

Mr. Matlage's background in community service and his willingness to serve the people of Hawaii makes him an excellent nominee to the Board of Registration of the Island of Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the nomination of Mr. Matlage to the Board of Registration of the Island of Hawaii.