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State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 682.

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Keali'i S. Lopez, the Director of the Department of Commerce and

Consumer Affairs ("Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs"). The Department

thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 682, regarding the

appointment of Lynnette McKay, to the Board of Cosmetology ("Board"). The

Department supports the confirmation of McKay's appointment to the Board.

McKay is being appointed to the Board as a licensee member. She has been licensed as a cosmetologist since 1967, and her license is current, active, and in good standing.

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McKay has been a contributing member of this state and exemplifies all of the qualities of a professional and diligent member. She has been an active member of the industry and in recent years helped the Board to create new rules that are in place today. She has been an upstanding member of her profession and has been a lecturer and instructor for more than a decade. She was most recently given tenure and promoted to assistant professor of cosmetology at Honolulu Community College.

It is her wealth of experience on the business side of the industry and helping to instruct future members of the profession that makes her an asset to the Board.

We believe that McKay's interest in serving on the Board, as well as her many positive contributions, will continue to improve the efficiency of the Board.

The Department supports the confirmation of Lynette McKay to the Board of Cosmetology, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

April 2, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Miles Nakanishi. I am a colleague of Ms. Lynette McKay at the Honolulu Community College (HCC) in the Early Childhood Education department and have served on many campus committees and participated in college activities with her. I am honored to share my voice in support of Ms. McKay as her application for the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology is considered.

I was able to get a sense of how knowledgeable and effective a college instructor Ms. McKay is when I conducted a peer evaluation of one Ms. McKay's theory classes (COSME 40/50V). She was not only well-informed about her field, but she was also a caring and student-centered lecturer. In the one-hour session I observed her, she conducted a study review of State and national board rules and regulations for seventeen students; fielding a number of questions with direct and confident responses. The examples and personal and professional experiences she shared clarified the complex procedures for cosmetology licensure. I was impressed with her historical knowledge of and overall background in the field. In the class session, Ms. McKay was prepared and organized. She appeared to instill a sense of security in the students as they shared their anxieties with the board testing; assuring them that vigilance in their studies at HCC would prepare them well for the examination. Several students stayed after class to talk with her; and she listened and responded sincerely to all of them.

In the past, I was also able to witness Ms. McKay's enthusiastic support of and involvement in college and community activities initiated and implemented by her and her proactive and highly energetic department. I recall her voluntarily working long hours on department projects. She seemed to work well as a team member in the department.

Ms. McKay is clearly committed to her students and is actively involved in not only her professional growth and development but her students as well. She has a keen awareness of learning differences and has the ability to adjust to, and address the various educational histories, level of maturity and social backgrounds her students possess. She clearly demonstrates her sensitivity to the development of her students.

Ms. McKay's service to her department, the college and the community is commendable. Ms. has demonstrated a strong record of service through projects such as HUGS, Locks of Love and the Diamond Head Theater. She also served as president of the Hawaii State Cosmetology Association, as well as serving on the State Barbering and Cosmetology Advisory Committee. She has served the college through participation on COSA (Committee on Student Affairs) and the Graduation Committee, to name a few; as well as being the TECH II rep on the DCC (Division Curriculum Committee), conducting campus tours and working with international students. Ms. McKay is also actively involved in professional development as evidenced through her participation in various workshops and seminars.

I feel Ms. McKay will be a strong and knowledgeable voice on the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology. Please give her your fullest and most serious consideration.

Sincerely,

Miles P. Nakanishi, Ph.D. Professor, CC Early Childhood Education Honolulu Community College

STATEMENT OF GM682, LYNNETTE MCKAY

(1) Why do you wish to be a member of the State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology?

Due to my interest in and commitment to the cosmetology profession, I have for many years attended Board meetings whenever possible. Before the practical component of the cosmetology licensing examination was discontinued, I served as a test administration examiner. I believe in taking an active role in my profession and feel that serving on the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology would be another way of being of service to the public and to my profession.

(2) How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of a member of the State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology?

I perceive the role and responsibilities of this Board to be critical for the protection of the consumer public. Also. in decision-making, I will review all materials provided to me and also to do additional research as needed. I will attend and participate in all Board meetings as scheduled, and would also volunteer to serve on any Board committees, as appropriate.

(3) Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities as a member of the Board, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise or knowledge that would aid in your decision-making ability as a member of the Board.

I believe that I am qualified for this position because I have been actively practicing in this profession and teaching cosmetology for many, many years. I have always kept up-to-date on all aspects of my profession by attending workshops pertaining to new techniques, as well as classes in business subjects. I have also been a member of the National Cosmetology Association since 1976. I have served as president of the Honolulu Affiliate, and have served as an officer in the Hawaii State Cosmetology Association, and in 1983 was elected to serve as it's president.

(4) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

I would like to work to accomplish the Board's mission of protecting the public through the licensing and regulation of barbers, beauty operators, shops, and beauty schools. One of the critical areas that I would like to participate in is the major update and revision to the Board's administrative rules.

(5) Name three qualities that best describe you and how will these qualities benefit the Board?

Competent - I feel that my background in this industry will be an asset; Responsible - I will not take this appointment lightly, and pledge to do my best to be a participating member of this Board during all meetings; and Involved - I believe that as a sitting member, it is my responsibility to participate actively in all Board activities and decision-making. Also, if information is needed from other areas or states, it is a Board member's responsibility to assist in obtaining this information in order for the Board to make informed and clear decisions.

(6) Name a previous experience you've had that will be beneficial as a Board member?

Activities with my professional association, such as serving as an officer at different levels, including service on the national level.

Experience with past legislative lobbying processes. Attending and participating in Board meetings whenever able to.

(7) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interests that could arise during your service on the Board? How would you overcome any possible conflicts of interest?

I am employed as an instructor of cosmetology at the Honolulu Community College. If a vote needs to be taken on an issue involving licensed beauty schools, I would certainly consider any conflicts of interest that I may have, and will recuse myself from decision-making accordingly.