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Testimony of SCOTT GLENN Interim Director

before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT, AND TECHNOLOGY

Wednesday, March 2, 2016 1:15 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 414

in SUPPORT of GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 531 RELATING TO THE NOMINATION OF RONALD TERRY TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Slom, and Members of the Senate Committee,

The Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC) administers Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS) Chapter 343, Environmental Impact Statements (EIS). The purpose of the EIS law is to "establish a system of environmental review which ensures that environmental concerns are given appropriate consideration in decision making along with economic and technical considerations" (HRS §343-1). Additionally, the OEQC serves "the Governor in an advisory capacity on all matters relating to environmental quality control," as directed in HRS §341-3.

The Environmental Council ("Council") is established in HRS §341-3, which also directs membership "to assure a broad and balanced representation of educational, business, and environmentally pertinent disciplines and professions, such as the natural and social sciences, the humanities, architecture, engineering, environmental consulting, public health, and planning; educational and research institutions with environmental competence; agriculture, real estate, visitor industry, construction, media, and voluntary community and environmental groups."

The functions of the Council are to serve as a liaison between the OEQC Director and the general public and to make recommendations concerning ecology and environmental quality. The Council monitors the progress of state, county, and federal agencies in achieving the State's environmental goals and policies. It issues an annual report with recommendations for improvement to the Governor, the Legislature, and the general public (HRS §341-6). Finally, the Council promulgates administrative rules for implementing Chapter 343, HRS (HRS §343-6).

With respect to these functions, duties, and powers, and in consideration of Mr. Terry's experience as demonstrated on his resume, OEQC supports the nomination of Mr. Terry to the Council. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



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February 29, 2016

Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair State Capitol 415 S. Beretania Street, Room 216 Honolulu, HI 96813

Senator Sam Slom, Vice Chair State Capitol 415 S. Beretania Street, Room 214 Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Wakai and Senator Slom:

The purpose of this letter is to support the nomination of Ron Terry to the Environmental Council for a term to expire June 30, 2019.

I have known Mr. Terry on a professional basis for many years. I have observed him in many different contexts.

Mr. Terry is very intelligent, ethical, organized and knowledgeable. While he is serious and always professional, he also has a sense of humor and an approachable demeanor. Perhaps the strongest quality that he possesses, though, in terms of his nomination to the Environmental Council, is his unfailing integrity. I never once had occasion to question his good judgment and his honesty.

Ron Terry's personal characteristics—including his unbiased approach to all issues and people, ability to make decisions promptly and willingness to work hard—provide additional support for his appointment.

In light of the above, I respectfully recommend Governor Ige's selection of Ron Terry to the Environmental Council. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Rosemary T. Fazio

ROSEMARY T. FAZIO

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Stephanie Nagata

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Re: GM 531

Aloha Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Slom and Members of the Committee on Economic Development, Environment, and Technology,

I strongly support the confirmation of Ron Terry to the Environmental Council. As an active member of our Chamber for many years serving on our Government Affairs Committee and Board of Directors, Ron's extensive knowledge of environmental and land management issues has been a great asset and his willingness to educate our leadership on those issues has enabled our organization us to make sound, educated decisions.

Ron is known as a person of great integrity and humility, and one who looks for what is best for our island community. I am pleased to offer him my support.

Sincerely,

Miles Yoshioka, Executive Officer



July 6, 2015

To: Senator Glenn Wakai & Members of the Economic Development,

Environment & Technology Committee

From: Mary Begier R, CRB, CRS

RE: GM 531

I am writing today in strong support of the appointment of Ron Terry to the Environmental Council.

I have attended many public hearings at which Ron Terry has participated in a professional capacity. His ability to communicate sometimes complicated issues for everyone involved is a true talent that I respect very much. His generosity to our community through the many volunteer projects he undertakes is a real gift to our entire state.

We, the citizens of Hawaii are fortunate that Ron Terry is willing to accept this appointment. Please confirm him to serve on the EC without delay. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



February 29, 2016

In Support of Ron Terry
Environmental Council, Gubernatorial Nominee
Senate's Economic Development, Environmental and Technology Committee

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to give my full support to Ron Terry for the Senate's Economic Development, Environment and Technology Committee.

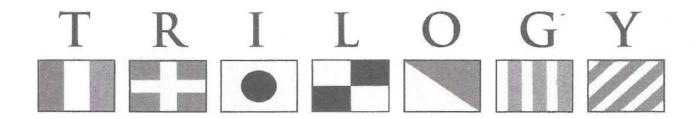
Akinaka and Associates, Ltd. has worked with Mr. Terry on numerous projects and he has always conducted himself in a professional manner. He is very knowledgeable in the areas of Environmental Assessment, Permitting and Visual Impact Assessment.

I believe that Mr. Terry would make a valuable member of the committee. If you have any questions, please contact our office at (808) 836-1900.

Sincerely,

Ken C. Kawahara, P.E.

President



COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT, AND TECHNOLOGY

Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair Senator Sam Slom, Vice Chair

DATE:

Wednesday, March 02, 2016

TIME:

1:15pm

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Conference Room 414

TESTIMONY OF JAMES E. COON SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF GM531 RON TERRY

Chair Senator Wakai, Vice Chair Senator Slom, and Members of the Committee on Economic Development, Environment, and Technology

My name is James E. Coon speaking in support of Ron Terry for a term on the Environmental Council

I have known Ron Terry for nearly 20 years and have complete confidence in his ability to effectively contribute to this Council. I served with Ron for many years in the Marine and Coastal Zone Management Advisory Group and then the Marine and Coastal Zone Advocacy Council. Ron is a highly educated and competent professional and is considered a leader in his field. He is a person of impeccable integrity, smart, hardworking and will be an asset to this Council.

I humbly ask you to approve Ron Terry for this important Council position.

Sincerely,

James E. Coon, CEO

Trilogy Corporation

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Testimony Submitted to the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Environment, and Technology

Hearing: Wednesday, March 2, 2016 1:15 pm

Conference Room 414

In Support of GM 531 Nomination of Ron Terry to Serve on the Environmental Council

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Slom, and Members of the Committees.

Aloha. Conservation Council for Hawai'i supports GM 531, Governor Ige's nomination of Ron Terry to serve on the Environmental Council. Mr. Terry will serve the people and the State well.

We are encouraged that, upon confirmation of all of the pending Environmental Council nominations before you today, the council will be balanced, fair, and diverse in many respects. The council will also be only three members short.

For many years, the Environmental Council and the Office of Environmental Quality Control struggled with lack of political support, funding, participation, and even meeting spaces. There is important work ahead.

Please support GM 531, the Environmental Council, and the Office of Environmental Quality Control

Mahalo nui loa for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

Marjorie Ziegler

Mayrie Zizla

February 25, 2016

Re: GM 531 - Nomination of Dr. Ron Terry to the Environmental Council

Dear Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair, and Members of the Senate Economic Development, Environment and Technology Committee:

This will provide my strong support for the nomination of Dr. Ron Terry to the Environmental Council. Dr. Terry has the requisite experience, both professionally and personally, to be a valuable member of the Environmental Council as he is committed to work in support of the environment in Hawai'i.

Dr. Terry's experience in this field will be invaluable to the Environmental Council. He has dedicated his life to the study of the environment in Hawai'i, both professionally, through his environmental consulting firm Geometrician Associates, and personally, through his long association with UH Hilo as an adjunct professor and member of the UH Hilo Chancellor's Advisory Council, as a volunteer member of the State's Marine and Coastal Zone Management Advocacy Council, and most recently as a member of the Mauna Kea Management Board.

I have known Dr. Terry both professionally and personally for over 20 years, and can attest that he is a straight shooter who has the moral strength to do the right thing. You would be hard pressed to find a better candidate for this position. Therefore, I strongly recommend Dr. Ron Terry for this nomination as a member of the Environmental Council.

Thank you for your consideration. If you need further information, please feel free to contact me at (808) 523-2500.

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Feb. 24, 2016

TESTIMONY IN FAVOR OF GM531: NOMINATION OF RON TERRY TO ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

Sen. Wakai, Chair, and Members of the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Environment, and Technology:

I couldn't think of a better person to serve on the Environmental Council than Dr. Ron Terry. He has a stellar reputation as a preparer of environmental assessments and environmental impact statements, concentrating mostly on public projects. He will bring a very practical perspective to the Environmental Council's role in monitoring, and hopefully improving, the Chap. 343 EA and EIS process, and the other issues that come before them.

We've talked many times about EA's and EIS's. He was a very constructive volunteer member of an advisory group that worked on Chap. 343 reform a few years ago. There are few people who've give this more thought than Dr. Terry.

Dr. Terry also brings a great deal of expertise as a geographer and environmental scientist to the Council. He's also an outdoorsman who's camped, kayaked, hiked and surfed every corner of the Big Island, and probably the State.

The state is very fortunate that he's willing to serve in this volunteer position.

Testimony in Support

GM 531

Appointment of Ron Terry Environment Council

February 29, 2015

Senator Glenn Wakai & Members of the Economic Development, Environment & Technology Committee, I strongly support the appointment of Ron Terry to the Environment Council. Dr.Terry is person with extensive experience in the area of environmental impact review and analysis. He has prepared numerous environmental assessments and impact statements from simple to very complex projects. He has a thorough understanding of the technical requirements, a keen ability to research and analyze data, and is able to clearly and objectively convey his findings, verbally and in writing.

Dr. Terry is an individual with high standards and integrity. The Environment Council would benefit greatly from having him part of their organization. His willingness to serve on the Council is a testament of his desire participate in the vital process of ensuring Hawaii's environmental laws are implemented properly and fairly.

I urge your committee to confirm his appointment to the Environment Council

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Stephanie Nagata Director Office of Maunakea Management

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Tuesday, March 01, 2016 9:11 AM

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GM531

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Barry Mizuno	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support the confirmation of Ron Terry for the Environmental Council. I have known Ron for many years and know him as a competent professional who cares deeply for our community and State.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Michael Kaleikini	Individual	Support	No	

Comments: I strongly support for Mr. Ron Terry to be confirmed to the Environmental Council.

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Genevieve Salmonson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Patrick Hart	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I am writing in support of the confirmation to the Environmental Council for Gubernatorial Nominee, RON TERRY. I am a Professor of Biology at the University of Hawaii at Hilo and have known and worked with Dr. Terry for over 15 years. Ron has an incredible depth of knowledge of environmental issues across the state. Most importantly, he has a very balanced perspective on the multiple ways of viewing very complex environmental issues. Of anyone I know in the environmental field, Dr. Terry would be my top choice to fill a position such as this. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of his nomination.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
austen drake	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I would like to submit testimony to support Dr. Ron Terry for the nomination to Environmental Council. As a Civil Engineer and Project Manager I have worked with Ron for a number of years on numerous projects and witnessed first hand his knowledge of Environmental laws and policies and dedication to his profession. His expertise will be critical to improving EIS rules, environmental goals, and policies as it relates to County, State and Federal agencies dealings in Hawaii. I wholeheartedly support Dr. Ron Terry for this nomination. Thank you for your time, Austen Drake, P.E. LEED AP

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Barry K. Taniguchi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Ron Terry is a very qualified individual and will be an excellent appointment. Urge his confirmation. Barry Taniguchi

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laura McIntyre	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Testimony: I, Laura Leialoha Phillips McIntyre, B.A., M.U.R.P, AICP, current Program Manager of the Hawaii Department of Health, Environmental Planning Office, personally testify in strong support of Ron Terry. Mr. Terry has an excellent academic background and a wealth of relevant and diverse professional experience. I have full confidence that he will be an invaluable asset to the Environmental Council. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Denise Antolini	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Ron Terry will be a great asset to the Environmental Council given his extensive expertise in environmental review and his collaborative approach to complex environmental matters. I greatly appreciate that he is willing to serve on the Council!

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Craig "Bo" Kahui	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I'm in strong support the Governor's nominee Ron Terry to serve on the Environmental Council. As a professional, Mr. Terry has conducted numerous environmental studies and reports that details the necessary requirements pro or con that sets Mr. Terry apart from others in his field of expertise. I recommend the COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT, AND TECHNOLOGY approve the Governor's appointment of Mr. Terry

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Jeffrey Melrose	Individual	Support	No	

Comments: I would like to comment on behalf of Ron Terry, a Nominee for the Environmental Council. I have worked with and around Ron for over 20 years. He is a work horse and a very strong advocate for sound environmental policy. He has written more environmental reports that anyone else I know and does so with a high degree of professionalism. His sustained efforts to produce good environmental information has been key to the completion of the Daniel K. Inouye Highway, which he has worked on from its inception, and has had a hand in virtually every new road project on Hawaii Island over the last 20 years. He has also been an important voice for improved natural resource management on Mauna Kea as a member of the Mauna Kea Advisory Board. Ron understands, better than most, the importance of providing sound environmental information to assist in public decision making and has been a steady voice in efforts to improve the EIS process so that it is both comprehensive and practical. There are few people in the State who understand the environmental impact statement process as well as Ron and I urge you to approve his nomination to the Environmental Council

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Gordon Takaki	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am in support of Ron Terry to be on the Environmental Council. He is very dedicated to our community and will protect it and keep it safe.

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Bruce K. Meyers	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am in full support of Mr. Terry's confirmation to the Environmental Council. I believe he will be an asset to this Council because of his long experience in carefully balancing growth with protecting Hawai`i's natural and historic resources.

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KOALANI KAULUKUKUI	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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