

Health Planning Council, Hawaii County Subarea Senate Committee Members C/O Haley Saba

Wednesday March 23, 2016

Re: Governor's message 672 recommendation

Aloha,

The purpose of this correspondence is to provide written recommendation in support of Hawaii Health Planning Council nominee Malia P.L, Tallett P.T., D.P.T.

I have known Ms. Tallett for most of her life. I have witnessed her evolution from a young aspiring student scholar athlete at Kamehameha Kapalama to a college student scholar athlete to a graduate student to a bright and energetic health professional. At every level, Ms. Tallett earned and kept the respect of her peers as well as her instructors and associate professionals.

Ms. Tallett has impressive depth in a diverse range of skills placing her in a lonesome but elite category of health professionals. Organization, foresight, and an inherent sense of self allow this young visionary the confidence to be creative in her approach to complex situations while maintaining a positive attitude, a tenacious spirit, and clarity till the finish. She has always demonstrated the discipline to finish projects large or small ahead of time and usually above and beyond expected best outcomes.

Most impressive to me in Ms. Tallet's capacity as a health care professional is her ability to bridge a need with a service passionately for people from all walks of life regardless of age, race, color, gender, religious preference, economic status or social reputation. It is said that laughter is the best medicine...Ms. Tallett is able to push patients to new levels of achievement because of her no-nonsense work ethic and still laugh at the end of their sessions; a rare balance. Made to feel at ease despite their physical challenges, her patients are recognized for their progress toward better health and fitness.

What makes Ms. Tallett stand out as a high school water polo coach is in part her knowledge of the sport, but more so, her relationship with her athletes and the way they look up to her as a person, a coach and a friend. Ms. Tallett demonstrates loyalty, commitment and humility and demands the same of her athletes who gladly reciprocate because their relationships have substance and their goals are synonymous.

I believe Ms. Tallett is the perfect candidate for a position on the Hawaii County Subarea Health Planning Counsel. The above characterizations are but the tip of the iceberg with regard to her talents as a leader, her expertise as a health provider and her generosity as a coach within the community. These qualities and more will enable her to add to the dynamics of the current council if selected to serve. I strongly recommend Ms. Tallett's consideration for the position and welcome a return of correspondence via email to my address below.

Mahalo nui a me ka ha'aha'a,

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