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Measure Title:	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Corrections Population Management Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, EDMUND HYUN, for a term to expire 06-30-2017.
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TESTIMONY

OF

EDMUND "FRED" HYUN

TO THE

SENATE COMMITTEE

ON

PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENT AND

MILITARY AFFAIRS

ON

March 24, 2016

GM 693

Submitting for consideration and confirmation as Member to Department of Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, EDMUND HYUN, for a term to expire June 30, 2017

Aloha Kakou, Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Espero, Members of the Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today!

I want to thank Governor Ige for his trust and belief in me for this nomination.

I also wish to thank and express my appreciation to Public Safety, Colleagues past/present, Community friends, Uncle Joe and Aunty June Tassil, the Pu'uhonua Ohana, and my mentors, many of whom have passed but I still hear their words. My parents, my wife and children who provide unconditional support and love.

I am honored and grateful for the opportunity to serve on the Corrections Population Management Commission. My life experiences (personal & professional) have provided the foundation and knowledge to share and contribute to the Commission.

Although I may not appear that old, I have personally seen and been involved with the evolution of Corrections in Hawaii, from Oahu Prison, to the Master Plan, legislation and construction of the Community Correctional Centers. The conversion of Halawa Jail to Halawa Prison. In 1980, my office was in OCCC addressing Misdemeanor Diversion and Jail overcrowding. Then in 1984 ACLU filed a suit that resulted in 1985 consent decree at OCCC and

WCCC. Finally, in 1997 WCCC was dismissed due to the expansion of the facility followed by OCCC resolves in 1999. I, for one **DO NOT** want to see us go through that again.

My career has allowed me to visit mainland facilities namely Eastern Penitentiary in Philadelphia to the Detention Centers in Jefferson County, Colorado and Clark County, Nevada as well as Hawaii's Federal Detention Center by the airport

Jefferson County Detention Center: By design, the capacity was 1300 beds. When the expanded jail opened in 2000, it had an average daily population of 768 total inmates. By 2004, that daily average rose to 1,153, however, the jail has held as many as 1,470 inmates at its peak during the summer of 2005, when extra beds were added to sleeping areas.

Although I retired in 2003 I have remained watchful and concerned about our Prisons and Jails. With your confirmation, I welcome the opportunity to contribute and serve our beloved Aloha State again.

At this time, I would be happy to answer any questions the Committee may have.

Me Ke Aloha Pumehana,

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR



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No.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 693 NOMINATING EDMUND HYUN TO THE CORRECTIONS POPULATION MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2017 By Nolan P. Espinda, Director

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs Senator Clarence Nishihara, Chair Senator Will Espero, Vice Chair

> Thursday, March 24, 2016, 1:15 p.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 229

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Espero, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) **supports** the nomination of Edmund "Fred" Hyun to the Corrections Population Management Commission, for a term to expire June 30, 2017. Mr. Hyun's long and dedicated career in the field of corrections makes him especially well suited to advising the Department on efforts related to reducing overcrowding in Hawaii's prison system.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
De MONT R. D. CONNER	Ho'omana Pono, LLC.	Support	Yes

Comments: We STRONGLY SUPPORT this nomination. We have had the distinct pleasure of working with Edmund "Fred" Hyun within our collaborative working group on Pu`uhonua. Fred's corrections experience, which spans eons! LOL! As well as his passion for improving the correctional system & commitment to reducing recidivism, is unmatched. This has got to be one of the best choices that the Governor has made.

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March 24, 2016

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS Chair, Sen. Clarence Nishihara; Vice Chair Will Espero, and Committee Members Public Hearing, March 24, 2016, 1:15 p.m. Conference Room 229, State Capitol

<u>TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM ANONSEN,</u> <u>MANAGING PARTNER/ PRINCIPAL OF</u> <u>THE MARITIME GROUP</u> <u>IN SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 693</u>

My name is William Anonsen and I am the Managing Partner/Principal of The Maritime Group, and serve as the chair of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency and various law enforcement organizations and non-profit organizations. I would like to express my personal support for the confirmation of Gubernatorial Nominee, Mr. Edmund (Fred) Hyun to the Corrections Populations Management Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2017.

Through my professional and personal association for the past 12 years, I've found Fred to be a dedicated individual who performs his professional and civic responsibilities with the utmost degree of commitment, pride and duty. He has the professional credentials and many characteristics necessary to make him an outstanding member of this important commission.

Fred is a leader in the community and a team player who works well with all people and is an excellent facilitator. I've witnessed first-hand on several occasions his strong analytical ability and his ability to remain committed to his principals, always with the highest degree of ethics and diplomacy in times of heated conflicting opposition. I have found him to carefully consider difficult issues, and through a structured investigative process and mindset, he develops calculated decisions that address and resolve an issue. Most important, he stands by his principals, strongly defending them skillfully and with respectful tact.

As previously demonstrated during his tenure with the Department of Public Safety, Correctional Facilities, Criminal Justice System, and military service in the Hawaii Air National Guard, I believe Fred is well qualified, and that by confirming his appointment, it will lend a sense of professional expertise on the commission. He is an individual of unquestionable integrity and fairness, and has my personal vote of confidence in this Gubernatorial appointed position.

Mahalo for the opportunity to comment on this gubernatorial nominee.

Sincerely,

William F. Anonsen

Managing Partner/Principal

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
arte mccollough	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a prior employee and as a friend, I have known Edmund (aka: Fred) Hyun for more years than I can remember. During those times I have had the highest regards for his, not only demeanor, but also for his professionalism in any assignment or duty he has taken on. I highly recommend him for the position of Public Safety's Corrections Population Management Commission and know that he will bring his highest performance in that position.... Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, arte mccollough

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Rachel L. Kailianu	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: I am in strong support of this candidate.

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From:	Sen. Clarence Nishihara
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Subject:	FW: Edmund Hyun, Governor Ige"s Nominee to The Corrections Management Population Commission
Date:	Tuesday, March 22, 2016 7:01:20 AM

FYI

From: Ronald T.Y. Moon Sr. [mailto:ronaldtymoon@gmail.com]
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Subject: Edmund Hyun, Governor Ige's Nominee to The Corrections Management Population Commission

Aloha Chair,

It is my Privilege and Honor to once again address you. I do so in regard to this most important matter.

I have known The Nominee for over 35 years, in his various capacities with the State. His service to the people of Hawaii has truly been exceptional and I submit without blemish.

I have known Fred on a personal and

professional basis. Chair, the man's experience, knowledge and his impeccable record for commitment, diligence, integrity and fairness would be a tremendous asset to the Commission and it's Mission.

I recommend Fred to The Commission without reservation.

Mahalo Chair and Honorable Senators, for the opportunity to address you and submit my input.

Chief Justice Ronald Moon (retired)

From:	Sen. Clarence Nishihara
То:	nishihara1 - Lara
Subject:	FW: Written Testimony - Edmund (Fred) Hyun, Corrections Population Management Commission
Date:	Tuesday, March 22, 2016 7:01:39 AM

FYI

From: Fituina Tua [mailto:tapa2b@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, March 21, 2016 8:59 PM

To: Sen. Clarence Nishihara

Cc: Fred Hyun

Subject: Written Testimony - Edmund (Fred) Hyun, Corrections Population Management

Commission

I am writing in support of Mr. Hyuns appointment to the Corrections Population Management Commission. During the years I have known Mr. Hyun, I was impressed with his extensive knowledge of the correctional field. His experience comes from years of working in the Public Safety field for the State of Hawaii, Department of Corrections. He understands every component of the correctional system to include: the population issues, the intake center, the correctional facility custody levels (high, medium, low), the contracted facilities on the mainland, pre-trial and post conviction inmates, the parole system, the judicial system, programs in the facilities, and resources in the community. He also understands the juvenile facilities and the programs. In addition, Mr. Hyrun is involved in community projects in an attempt to creat programs for juveniles and adults as an alternative to incarceration. It is fair to say that Mr. Hyun has developed a passion in helping to make a difference in peoples life and the community. He knows how to treat people with respect and conducts himself professionally. As a retired federal probation officer and current member of the Parole Board, I find Mr. Hyun very qualified for this appointment and someone who would make an immediate impact on the Commission.

If you have any questions regarding Mr. Hyun, please do not hesitate to contact me at 1-808-782-4922.

Sincerely, Fituina F. Tua March 22, 2016

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara Chair, Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs Senate District 17 Hawaii State Capitol, Room 204 Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: Mr. Edmund "Fred" Hyun's Nomination to the Corrections Population Management Commission

Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara,

As a former Manager of Boards and Commissions at the Office of the Governor, I was pleased to learn that Mr. Hyun was nominated for the Corrections Population Management Commission. Good candidates that are willing and able to serve have always been a challenge to find. When a good potential candidate is identified, like it in this case, it is cause for a celebration. I have known Mr. Hyun for several years and in getting to know him, I've learned that he is very passionate about public safety and has a big heart for public service.

Mr. Hyun has an extensive background in public safety. He holds a master's degree in social work and has worked within the field of public safety for over 30 years. Mr. Hyun has held positions within several state departments as a Youth Correctional Officer, Boys Group Home Administrator, State Juvenile Parole Administrator, Court Unit Supervisor, and as a Consultant. Over the years, Mr. Hyun has also made tremendous contributions to the community by selflessly serving with numerous agencies, committees, boards and causes that helped to improve public safety especially with our youth.

I strongly support Mr. Hyun's nomination to the Corrections Population Management Commission. He has the experience, leadership and perspective that will help the commission to complete its task set out in HRS 353F-3.

Sincerely, my Berobere

Tony Benabese

GM 693, Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 1:15pm in conference room 229.

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Espero and the Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

GM 693 Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Corrections Population Management Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, **EDMUND HYUN**, for a term to expire 06-30-2017.

I have had the privilege of knowing Edmund "Fred" Hyun for close to 50 years. I know him to be a gentleman with unquestioned integrity and ethical standards.

I first met Fred when we worked together at the Kalihi YMCA. We served together in the Hawaii Air National Guard for many years where he excelled on the 201st Combat Communications Group command staff.

A review of his professional resume shows 31 years of service with the Department of Public Safety in numerous supervisory and leadership positions. He has an extensive history of volunteer work with various government and community agencies and boards. The combination of these life experiences clearly show his qualifications of confirmation to Corrections Population Management Commission.

I know that Edmund "Fred" Hyun will prove to be an invaluable asset to the Corrections Population Management Commission. I ask the committee to recommend Senate confirmation of Edmund "Fred" Hyun.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony in support of Governor Message 693.

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Douglas Oh	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Submitting testimony in support of Gubernatorial Nominee, Edmund Hyun, as a member to the Department of Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission, term to expire June 30, 2017. Aloha Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Espero, and Members of the Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of the nominee, Edmund "Fred" Hyun. My name is Douglas Oh. I have known Fred for the past 12 years. Since 2004 when I first met him at Akal Security through the present where I had the privilege working with him at the Honolulu Liquor Commission as well as collaborating with him on various other projects. Throughout the past 12 years, I have personally benefited from Fred's mentoring, experience, knowledge, and advice in various subjects both professionally and personally. A large part of my success has been because of Fred. His dedication to helping, educating, and giving "fatherly" advice to those in need are what I call "his calling card". Recently, I needed some of that "fatherly" advice. As a member of the Corrections Population Management Commission, I strongly believe Fred's experience and knowledge will be an asset to the Commission and the people of the State of Hawaii. Respectfully Submitted, Douglas Oh 2740 Kuilei Street #1506 Honolulu. HI 96826 808-227-3956

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Hearing: Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 1:15 p.m., in Conference Room 229

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair Senator Will Espero, Vice Chair Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

RE: **<u>SUPPORT</u> GM693** - Nomination of Edmund "Fred" Hyun as a member to the Department of Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission.

Dear Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair, Vice Chair Will Espero, and Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs:

My name is Susan H. Kitsu, and I am writing testimony in strong SUPPORT of the nomination of Edmund "Fred" Hyun to serve on the Department of Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission.

I have known Fred for several years, and his education, extensive work experience, and volunteer work makes him a perfect person for this particular commission. Fred has great knowledge of the subject matter relating to public safety and corrections. It is evident in the many organizations and positions that he has held over the decades. What is most striking about Fred's background is his deep commitment to the betterment of Hawaii's people. Whether he is working with our youth by coaching at McKinley High School, or supporting our adult population with mental health support, it is patently evident by his track record that Fred is deeply committed to making Hawaii a better place by investing in the future of people. With that kind of heart and commitment, he will make for a solid member of the Commission.

His outstanding service to our community by serving in the Hawaii State Department of Public Safety and the Hawaii Air National Guard, 201st Combat Communication Group is additional experience that further shows Fred's commitment to bettering the community he lives in.

His character and integrity is evident by the trust and respect he has from his superiors in that he has been a candidate and awardee for many credits, awards, and distinction. He continues to humbly serve his community during his retirement by training individuals around the State on being prepared for emergencies.

One of the greatest and most important aspects of rehabilitation and improving one's life is to have access to mental health programs. Fred has had extensive experience in mental health services and how it applies to the corrections population. He will bring a different and greater depth of leadership by his presence on this commission. Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair Senator Will Espero, Vice Chair Members of the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs Page 2

I unequivocally support the Governor's nomination of Edmund "Fred" Hyun to the Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission. He will be a valuable asset as a member on the Commission, and will provide a different perspective and voice to the group.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to provide testimony in strong **<u>SUPPORT</u>** of the nomination of Edmund "Fred" Hyun.

Sincerely yours,

Susan H. Kitsu

1624 Dole Street #1600 Honolulu, HI 96822

March 23, 2016

The Honorable Clarence Nishihara, Chair The Honorable Will Espero, Vice-Chair and Members, Public Safety Committee Hawaii State Legislature State Capitol Honolulu, HI 96813

SUBJECT: Confirm nomination of Edmund Hyun as Commissioner Public Safety Corrections Population Management Commission

Dear Chair Nishihara and Committee Members:

I support the nomination of Mr. Edmund Hyun (Fred) for appointment to the position of a Commissioner on this important Commission that serves the State of Hawaii.

Fred has always worked with people in a variety of ways that define competence, intelligence, efficiency, accuracy, and integrity. His employment at Hawaii Youth Correctional Facility and Oahu Community Correctional Facility show particular experience with this target group and issues that surround them.

Together we wrote a thesis in Graduate School that focused on recidivism of Incarcerated youth, and graduated with our Master's Degree in Social Work in 1975. He has continued his education and training in community issues, and reflects an understanding of how various social systems work together. Fred is an asset with great knowledge of the correctional system. He is the high quality person you want.

With respect, I urge you to confirm Fred's appointment as a Commissioner

Sincerely,

Ethel L. Fleming, M.S. W.

March 22, 2016

Senator Clarence Nishihara Chair Public Safety Hawaii State Legislature 419 S. Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator Nishihara:

This is a letter of support for Mr. Edmund K.B. Hyun is has been nominated by Governor David Ige to serve on the Public Safety's Correction Population Management Commission.

I have known Mr. Hyun since the 1990's as I worked at the Honolulu Police Department and he worked with the State of Hawaii, Department of Public Safety. After my retirement from the Honolulu Police Department, I worked with Mr. Hyun at Akal Security. I became the Region Supervisor and Mr. Hyun served under my command at Akal Security.

After we both left Akal Security, I worked with Edmund as a Vendor for the City & County of Honolulu and he as an administrator for the Honolulu Liquor Commission. Again during my meetings with Edmund, I found him to be honest, competent and compassionate in dealing with the public and his fellow employees.

Edmund takes the time to analyze the situations he encounters and will base his decision on the fairness of his decision and how it impacts the company, the client and the employees.

I am sure he will be an asset to the Public Safety's Correction Population Management Commission. The experience that he brings to the Commission is invaluable, especially with the current overcrowding of our prisons.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (808) 753 5617.

Sincerely,

Lee D. Donohue Chief of Police (Retired) Honolulu Police Department

CC: Senator Will Espero Senator Rosalyn Baker Senator Sam Slom Senator Lorraine Inouye Tuesday, March 22, 2016

Dear Senate Committee,

This is a letter of support in confirming Edmund ("Fred") Hyun as Member to the Department of Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission.

I have known and worked closely with Fred Hyun on a daily basis for almost four years and I believe he is an excellent candidate to be selected for this Commission.

Fred has been dependable, hardworking, and very dedicated to our mission at the Honolulu Liquor Commission where we are both employed.

He is passionate about his work, has a calm demeanor that lends itself to collaboration, and is committed to doing the right thing always.

Fred has been a great role model for me, and I'm certain that he will make an excellent choice for this position.

Please give Fred Hyun your consideration as a Member to the Department of Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission.

Feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

Mahalo Nui loa,

Bert Fishman

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Dante K. Carpenter	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Chair Sen. Nishihara, VC Sen. Espero, and Committee Members: There are few, if any, candidates for this position who have the education, training and experience to immediately "make a difference" in fulfilling the role of a Department of Safety - Corrections Population Management Commissioner. Mr. Edmund Hyun is eminently qualified for this role and will make a positive and immediate contribution to the Commission's success! As a Restorative Justice Advocate, I have had the pleasure of working alongside this distinguished citizen and am impressed with both his credentials and personal integrity! Please confirm Mr. Huyn's appointment in accordance with GM 693. Thank you very much, Dante Carpenter Member 'Ohana Ho'opakele, Member Holomua Pu'uhonua

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Senator Clarence Nishihara, Chair Senator Will Espero, Vice Chair Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs State Capitol, Room 229 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: GM 693 - Submitting for consideration and confirmation as Member to Department of Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission, Gubernatorial Nominee, EDMUND HYUN, for a term to expire June 30, 2017

Dear Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Espero, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my strongest support for the confirmation of Mr. Edmund "Fred" K.B. Hyun as a Member to the Department of Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission.

Without a doubt, the position Fred has been nominated for will not be easy, and many might even ask why anyone would want to take on the role of Member of the Corrections Population Management Commission. However, having gotten to know Fred over the years he comes to this position not seeking personal glory but out of a sense of duty to do a job that must be done and that must be done well.

Governor David Ige has nominated a capable leader in Fred who has the experience and convictions to make the tough choices that will be required in the coming years. He has common sense, a lifetime of service, and a commitment to getting the job done right. He possesses extraordinary skills, high ethical standards, and integrity that will advance the Corrections Population Management Commission's mission to "establish maximum inmate population limits for each correctional facility and to formulate policies and procedures to prevent the inmate population from exceeding the capacity of each correctional facility."

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony in support of Fred.

Sincerely, ade T. Butav

Hearing: Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 1:15 p.m., in Conference Room 229

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair Senator Will Espero, Vice Chair Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

RE: **<u>SUPPORT</u> GM693** - Nomination of Edmund "Fred" Hyun as a member to the Department of Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission.

Dear Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair, Vice Chair Will Espero, and Members of the Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs:

My name is Lisa Shozuya, and I am offering testimony in strong SUPPORT of the nomination of Edmund "Fred" Hyun to serve on the Department of Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission.

Over the last few years, I've had the honor and pleasure of working with Fred very closely in a number of ways within our community. I have gotten to know him by participating with and watching him work through mutual volunteer activities and as of late, as a trainer for our free FEMA certified courses that we offer to the community. Fred is an excellent communicator and has a way of creating instant rapport with participants. He is an exceptional trainer not only because of his subject matter expertise but also because of his character, integrity, and commitment to serving our community and the State of Hawaii at large. All these qualities are instantly evident to anyone who comes into contact with him.

In every situation, big or small, Fred's leadership stands out. He has a demeanor that epitomizes "Keep Calm and Carry On" and yet he has a fire in his belly that will stand up for what is right and good for all concerned. I, along with many others, have gone to him to share ideas, work the tough stuff out, and to try to solve and resolve the problems of the world. What stands out to me is that Fred listens. Intently. And is always grounded, confident, and committed to getting to the common ground or a solution with the whole picture in mind. He draws on solid experience, a successful track record, and life experiences that give him a very wide view with the maturity, heart, compassion, and ability to focus and hone in on what matters most.

His education, extensive work experience, and community service make him an ideal candidate for this commission and I am confident that this committee will see that in his resume and by meeting him.

Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair Senator Will Espero, Vice Chair Members of the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs Page 2

Once again, I would like to state for the record that I support the Governor's nomination of Edmund "Fred" Hyun to the Public Safety, Corrections Population Management Commission. He will be a valuable asset and team player on the Commission, and will provide the kind of leadership, perspective and voice that will make this groups stronger and more effective.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to provide testimony in strong **<u>SUPPORT</u>** of the nomination of Edmund "Fred" Hyun.

Sincerely yours,

Lisa Shozuya Director of Training and Community Outreach Lyon Associates Community Preparedness Training Division

GM 693 SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE CORRECTIONS POPULATION MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, EDMUND HYUN, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2017.

Senate Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Chair Senator Will Espero, Vice Chair Public Hearing Thursday, March 24, 2016, 1:15 p.m., Conference Room 229, State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Espero and Members of the Committee:

I would like to start with thanking you for allowing me to submit testimony in support of Edmund "Fred" Hyun to the Corrections Population Management Commission.

My name is Clayton K.Y. Wong and I was born, raised, educated and reside here in Hawaii. I am 59 years young, of which the last 28 years has been spent as a Financial Advisor and I am presently a First Vice President - Investments with Wells Fargo Advisors. I have known Fred for better than 7 years and during this time I have got to know him quite well.

Fred's educational and professional background is of one being well trained and well experienced. My perspective of Fred comes from the personal side and speaks to his character and values. My interactions with Fred are as a close friend and I have observed him in his role as a respectful and devoted husband, caring and responsible father and trustworthy and dependable friend. In all this, he has consistently displayed sound judgment and high moral standards. I truly believe Fred to have the skill set and moral fiber to perform well in his appointment to the Commission.

I'd like to once again thank you for permitting me to share with you what I know of Fred and for taking this into consideration in making your decision. Should you have any questions or need elaboration on any of this, please do not hesitate to contact me at (808) 547-5288.

Respectfully Yours,

Clayton K.Y. Wong via Electronic Submission