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# PRESENTATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

# TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE Regular Session of 2016 Friday, April 15, 2016 9:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON **GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 835**, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO **THE STATE BOXING COMMISSION OF HAWAII**, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, **MARK OZAKI**, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2020.

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

My name is Catherine Awakuni Colón, Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony in support of Governor's Message No. 835, nominating Mr. Mark Ozaki for membership on the State Boxing Commission of Hawaii ("Commission") for a term to expire June 30, 2020.

The nominee is an accomplished boxer and coach at many different levels of competition in the sport, as well as a long-time member of the Kauai community. After competing at the national championship level throughout the late 1980s and the 1990s,

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Mr. Ozaki has continued to promote boxing as a coach for athletes competing all the way up to international competition. In addition, he has been widely recognized for his efforts to better the organizations of which he is a member, including his work as part of the Kauai Police Department since 1999.<sup>1</sup> The Department believes Mr. Ozaki's experience inside and outside of the ring and his passion for bettering the community would allow him to be a strong contributor to the Commission's activities.

Mr. Ozaki also understands the commitments and requirements of serving on volunteer boards, as he has many years of experience giving his time to different organizations on Kauai and throughout the State.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit these comments in support of Mr. Mark Ozaki's nomination to the State Boxing Commission of Hawaii.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See Oki, K. (2001, April 8). Ozaki fighting to keep Kaua'i streets safe. *The Garden Island*. Retrieved by <u>http://thegardenisland.com/</u>

# <u>GM835</u>

Submitted on: 4/13/2016 Testimony for CPH on Apr 15, 2016 09:30AM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bruce Kawano	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As Past President of USA Boxing Hawaii, Inc. I highly endorse the nomination of Officer Mark Ozaki to the Hawaii State Boxing Commission. Mr. Ozaki has served USA Boxing and the Kauai PAL with the highest integrity for over 25 yrs ... His knowledge and safety of Boxing as coach, manager and administrator is impeccable.

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From:	Bryson Ponce
To:	CPH Testimony
Subject:	Mark Ozaki
Date:	Wednesday, April 13, 2016 9:16:59 PM

Aloha my name is Bryson Ponce and I am a Captain with the Kauai Police Department and in charge of Lieutenant Mark Ozaki. Lt. Ozaki has worked for me for the past 5 years during which time I have observed his dedication to teaching boxing to both adults and children. Lt. Ozaki, a former golden gloves boxer, really knows how channeling physical energy into a sport such as boxing can help with discipline and positive self assessment. Lt. Ozaki has also been in charge of the Kauai police activities league for over 10 years and was actually the founding father of K-PAL on Kauai. Lt. Ozaki's dedication and work with the youth of Kauai has made a huge impact on juvenile delinquency and crime prevention. Lt. Ozaki is an amazing police officer, boxing coach and personal friend who believes in hard work, dedication and role modeling and I truly believe and recommend that he would make an excellent fit as a member of the Hawaii State boxing commission. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sent from my iPhone

#### THE SENATE THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2016 COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

Regarding: CPH GM 835 Consideration and Confirmation of Mark Ozaki to the State Boxing Commission of Hawaii, Gubernatorial Nominee, for a term to expire 06-30-2020.

Dear Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health, Senator Baker and Senator Kidani

I would like to recommend and humble ask the committee to appoint Mark Ozaki to the State Boxing Commission due to his excellent service to the community and stellar contribution to boxing.

Mark is a police officer and outstanding citizen. He has been a great athlete and coach and an excellent example to those in the boxing community and beyond. Mark has proven himself invaluable to the USA Boxing Hawaii LBC with years of volunteer service as both a certified coach and official.

I am sure that Mark will serve well in this capacity as well and I hope that you will not only consider, but confirm him to the State Boxing Commission of Hawaii.

Mahalo for your time,

Eiichi Jumawan President of Amateur Boxing of Hawaii Executive Director and Head Coach of Pearlside Boxing

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

Comments: I fully support Mark Ozaki's nomination to the State Boxing Commission of Hawaii. Mark has for decades been a proponent for boxing in Hawaii and particularly spending countless hours organizing and coaching youth and adult boxing. HIs personal experience in boxing and coaching at a national level will be of great benefit to the commission and the state of Hawaii. Please confirm his nomination.

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Michelle Ebalaroza	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support Lieutenant Mark Ozaki for State Boxing Commission Of Hawaii, Gubernatorial Nominee. I recently attended the Kauai PAL event and I was impressed with the quality of the show and Lieutenant Okaki's attentiveness to the safety of all that participated and attended.

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Dear Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health, Senator Baker and Senator Kidani

I would like to ask the committee to please appoint Mark Ozaki to the State Boxing Commission due to his long time history in boxing and his long time service to the community.

Mark is an outstanding citizen and a great example to those in the boxing community and beyond. He faithfully mentors young athletes to be, not just champions in the ring, but out of the ring as well. He has proven himself invaluable to the USA Boxing Hawaii LBC with years of volunteer service as a certified coach and official.

I am sure that Mark will serve well in this capacity as well and I hope that you will not only consider, but confirm him to the State Boxing Commission of Hawaii.

Mahalo for your time,

Robyn Jumawan Vice President of Pearlside Boxing Chief of Officials of Amateur Boxing of Hawaii (1) Why do you want to be a member of the Board?

I want to be a board member because I have a love for the sport of boxing and want to ensure that the sport is regulated and monitored with integrity, safety and professionalism.

(2) What do you perceive are the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Board?

I perceive some of the roles and responsibilities of a board member is to regulate and monitor events. Regulation means following all State Laws which can range from proper application and sanctioning, safety and medical requirements, and proper payment of fee's and dues.

(3) In what ways do you feel that you can help protect the consumer?

I feel that I can protect the consumer by making sure that all state laws and regulations are being followed. Laws are passed for a reason and should be followed in its entirety. I have many years of experience in the sport of boxing so I understand what is right and wrong and have the safety of everyone involved as my first priority.

(4) Given your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Board member, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise and knowledge that would aid you as a member of the Board.

I feel that I'm qualified for this position for several reasons. Some of the reasons are that I've sat on many boards and understand the duties and responsibilities of board members. I am very familiar with Roberts Rules of Order.

I understand that regulating boards are there to protect the interest of the organization. In this case the organization is the State of Hawaii. I understand the concept of Vicarious Liability and will do my very best to ensure the least amount of litigation for the State of Hawaii and to ensure that all sanctioning fee's and dues owed to the State of Hawaii are met.

As a police officer I'm familiar with the Hawaii Revised Statutes and understand how to look up and search laws and I'm not afraid to enforce these laws. (5) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

When my term of service is over I hope to have left the commission better than when I started. I plan to regulate with integrity, honesty and common sense. I'm excited to learn a lot and be a team player. I really would like to see more professional events put on because this will help to generate income for the State of Hawaii.

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

I feel that I have many positive qualities but I feel proud to say that I'm honest, Hardworking and willing to work with others. Honesty keeps people out of trouble and prevents vicarious liability. Hard work ensures that the machine keeps running. I intend to work hard and keep the machine running in a positive manner. I feel that I have good communication skills and I'm willing to work with others. A cohesive group is always better and an individual.

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

I have experience of siting on many boards and committees. I also have approximately 29 years of boxing experience as a former athlete and presently as a coach and official certified by USA Boxing. I have experience in law enforcement and knowledge of the Hawaii Revised Statutes. I also have many years of community relations type of involvement and know how to work with a wide range of personalities.

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

I do not foresee any conflict of interest at this time but if a situation does come up I will notify all parties involved as soon as possible and recuse myself immediately. I wouldn't want to jeopardize my integrity and reputation, or the reputation of the commission, and remain in a situation that I shouldn't be involved in.