

# GM857

Measure Title:	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board Of Directors Of The Pacific International Space Center For Exploration, Gubernatorial Nominee, KRIS ZACNY, for a term to expire 06-30- 2019.
Report Title:	Board Of Directors Of The Pacific International Space Center For Exploration
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before the

### SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL, AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

Thursday, April 14, 2016 1:15 p.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 229

in consideration of

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### SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL SPACE CENTER FOR EXPLORATION SYSTEMS, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, KRIS ZACNY, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2019.

Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Espero, and members of the Committee. The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism <u>supports</u> the nomination of Kris Zacny to serve on the Board of Directors of the Pacific International Space Center for Exploration Systems (PISCES).

Dr. Zacny is currently Vice President and Director of Exploration Technology Group at Honeybee Robotics. His professional expertise includes robotic terrestrial and extraterrestrial drilling, excavation, sample handling and processing, geotechnical systems, and sensors. Dr. Zacny has published over 100 professional papers and has served as a Principal Investigator and a Co-Investigator on more than 70 NASA and DoD funded projects. He has over 30 NASA New Technology Records (inventions) and received three NASA Group Achievement Awards.

We believe Dr. Zacny's extensive research experience with and broad knowledge of federally funded space-related research and development programs strongly qualifies him to serve as a member of the PISCES Board of Directors.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this message.