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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Statement of LEILANI PULMANO

Chair, Board of Directors Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation Before the

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

April 1, 2016 at 3:00 p.m. State Capitol, Room 308

In consideration of S.B. 2823 RELATING TO THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

The HHFDC Board of Directors strongly supports S.B. 2823, an Administration bill.

S.B. 2823 would allow the Board to set the salary of the HHFDC Executive Director at a level not to exceed the salary of the Director of the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism. The ability to provide the Executive Director with a reasonable salary is a critical governance tool for the HHFDC Board. The Board already exercises oversight over Executive Director compensation through establishing and monitoring goals and objectives and conducting annual performance evaluations. Passage of S.B. 2823 will give us the necessary tools to reward exemplary performance as well as attract and retain experienced qualified directors.

For these reasons, HHFDC respectfully requests that the Committee support this bill. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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Statement of LUIS P. SALAVERIA Director Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism before the

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, and Members of the House Committee on Finance.

DBEDT supports S.B. 2823, an Administration bill. This bill authorizes the HHFDC Board of Directors to set the salary of the HHFDC Executive Director at an amount not to exceed the salary of the DBEDT Director, subject to a Legislative reporting requirement. Passage of this bill would allow the HHFDC Board of Directors to attract and keep qualified individuals in a very demanding position.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.