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Comments: Aloha, My name is Jacqui (Jacqueline)Hoover and as Executive Director & COO of the Hawai'i Island Economic Development Board (HIEDB), I have enjoyed the privilege and pleasure of working with Dr. Donald Straney, Chancellor of the University of Hawai'i at Hilo since he assumed the position in 2010. Throughout, I have been particularly impressed by and appreciative of his commitment to the University, its students and the entire community. His ability to think in future tense for the benefit of the aforementioned stakeholders respectively and collectively, is particularly important as he helps to navigate towards a sustainable and resilient community (University and island). In this arena, he considers opportunities in a mindful manner looking through multiple lenses (educator, student, community leader, cultural, environmental, socioeconomic) and prioritizes benefits and challenges both as he formulates his response/position. I have also had the privilege to serve with Chancellor Straney on the Hawai'i State Aerospace Advisory Committee where I have watched the aforementioned skillset put to test, and have no doubt that he is and will continue to be an important and very beneficial member of the committee. Mahalo for this opportunity to speak in support of Chancellor Straney's appointment.

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Written Statement of: Rodrigo Romo Program Manager, PISCES.

Before the: Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs April 11th, 2017 13:15 State Capitol, Conference Room 229 In Support of GM620 & GM621 Consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors the Hawai'i Aerospace Advisory Committee (HAAC), Gubernatorial Nominee Donald Straney.

To: Chair Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice-Chair Senator Glenn Wakai; and members of the committees.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of GM620 & GM621.

As the Program Manager for the Pacific International Space Center for Exploration Systems (PISCES) I strongly support the nomination of Donald Straney to the Board of HAAC.

Jacqui is a strong asset for HAAC, his knowledge of the local culture and the local economy, as well as his position with the University makes him a valuable person to have in the board.

Mahalo nui

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Chair Nishihara, Vice Chair Wakai and members of the Committee,

Re: GM 620 and GM 621 Nomination of Chancellor Don Straney to the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee

My name is Barry Taniguchi, a lifelong resident of Hilo, Hawaii and I strongly support Chancellor Straney's nomination to the Hawai'i Aerospace Advisory Committee. As the Chancellor of the University of Hawaii at Hilo, Don is knowledgeable of the academic, community and technical issues facing our island, and will be a welcome addition to the Aerospace Advisory Committee.

I have worked with Chancellor Straney on a number of different things related to the University and find that he is very thoughtful and thorough in his deliberations. I know he will do the same with service on the Aerospace Advisory Committee.

If there are any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact me at the email address above, or at (808) 987-9583 (cell).

Thank you for this opportunity to share some of my thoughts about this matter.

Sincerely,

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