# GM736

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i, Gubernatorial Nominee, RANDOLPH MOORE, for a term to expire 06-30-2023.

### **GM-736**

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Sylvia Yuen	Testifying for RCUH	Support	Yes	Ī

Comments:

TESTIMONY PRESENTED BEFORE THE

SENATE COMMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

April 30, 2018

By

Dr. Sylvia Yuen, Executive Director

The Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii (RCUH)

### GM 736. Gubernatorial nominee to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii

### —Randolph Moore

Chair Kahele, Vice Chair Kim, and members of the Senate Committee on Higher Education, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of Randolph G. Moore's confirmation to the University of Hawaii Board of Regents for a term to expire on June 30, 2023.

Mr. Moore—or Randy as he is more frequently referred to—is an outstanding leader in the business, academic, and philanthropic communities. There are few individuals who are so well known and respected across these three realms of endeavor. In business, Randy served in executive positions with Castle and Cooke, Molokai Ranch, and Kaneohe Ranch. He gave up his high-powered and financially lucrative business

position to become a teacher at Central Middle School, where he taught in the classroom for three years. He continued with the Department of Education for nearly eight more years in the state office where his talents were needed. Randy's strong passion for service was demonstrated when he volunteered for the Peace Corps and, more recently, as a director or trustee of various non-profit organizations and government boards, such as the Hawaii Budget and Policy Center and the Hawaii Housing Development Corporation.

Randy currently serves as one of two BOR ppointees to the RCUH Board of Directors. As the chair of our Audit Committee, he brings his considerable business acumen to ensure RCUH has a strong financial foundation and conducts its operations in a manner that will sustain its viability into the future. His insights and guidance have placed RCUH on a more productive path that better serves its thousands of projects and employees. Despite his numerous accomplishments, Randy is modest, humble, and disdainful of fame and glory. He is deeply principled, respectful of people from all walks of life, and willing to share his knowledge with others--qualities which have won him the admiration of administrators, colleagues, and staff. He is a hero and role model to many.

I highly recommend Randy Moore's confirmation to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii. He will bring value to the BOR and greatly enhance its functioning. As indicated by his previous performance, if confirmed for another term, Randy will serve with distinction and will be regarded as an exceptional and excellent member of the BOR.

### Testimony of Jan Naoe Sullivan

Before the Senate Committee on Higher Education
Monday, April 30, 2018
8:30 a.m.
Conference Room 224
In consideration of GM736
Randolph Moore
Gubernatorial Nominee to the University of Hawai'i Board of Regents

Chair Kahele, Vice Chair Kim, and members of the Committee:

I submit this testimony as an individual, in **strong support** of the confirmation of Randy Moore to serve a second term on the University of Hawai'i's Board of Regents.

I have had the pleasure of serving on the Board of Regents with Randy for the last four years. Randy has a wealth of knowledge in areas that are extremely valuable to the Board, and to the University.

### Some examples include:

- Education. His first-hand knowledge and experiences at the Department of Education lend a depth of knowledge in understanding the financial and organizational challenges that are unique to public education;
- Land use and real estate. His experience at Castle & Cooke and Moloka'i Ranch provide the board with a broader, macro understanding of real estate and long-term implications of real estate decisions;
- Governance. Randy has served and continues to serve on numerous Boards and Commissions. He has a clear understanding of the role of the Board and governance issues and has helped to guide our Board through numerous sticky issues; and
- Budgeting and financial management. Randy understands both public and private finance and has provided valuable insight and direction in these arenas.

Randy was an exemplary Chair to the Board and continues to provide valuable leadership through his current Vice Chair position, as well as his chairmanship of the Personnel Affairs & Board Governance Committee. I am glad that he is willing to continue to serve on the Board, and strongly endorse his confirmation.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

## Testimony of Eugene Bal III to the Senate Committee on Higher Education

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Chair Kahele and members of the committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony supporting the confirmation of Randolph Moore to a second term on the University of Hawaii Board of Regents.

I have had the privilege of serving with Regent Moore for the past five years – two of those years as Vice Chair to his chairmanship of the Board. It is well worth noting that Regent Moore became the Chair of the Board of Regents during a disruptive time for the Board, precipitated by the resignation of four Regents. The Board's election of Regent Moore to the Chair is a direct reflection of its confidence and trust in his capabilities. During his time as Chair, Regent Moore earned and validated the Board's faith in him. He is a most capable leader, brings a wide range of experience and expertise from both the private and public sector, and has the foresight and vision requisite of the Chair of the Board. Further, he continued his leadership contributions by serving as Vice Chair for the past two years as well as chairing several Board committees throughout his term.

While his abilities and contributions are laudable, there are two prominent attributes that I have come to most admire about Regent Moore. First, he is a reasoned member of the Board and his inputs are well grounded in rational, consistent, and well articulated information. This has the effect of making progress toward resolution and decision making among the 15 Board members — a critical element when governing the complex organization that is the University of Hawaii. Secondly, Regent Moore is focused on advancing the institution as well as the Board. The progress and successes of both the University and the Board in the past five years is largely attributable to Regent Moore's role in Board leadership.

The University of Hawaii and the Board of Regents will greatly benefit from your confirmation of Regent Moore to another term as a Regent. I am grateful for Regent Moore's willingness to continue as a Regent and he has my highest respect and confidence. I most strongly endorse his confirmation.

Thank you for your consideration.

Testimony Presented Before the Senate Committee on Higher Education Monday, April 30, 2018 in Conference Room 224 by Brandon Marc Higa (as current law student)

## GM736 – Gubernatorial Appointment of Mr. Randolph Moore to the University of Hawaii Board of Regents At-large Seat

Chair Kahele, Vice-Chair Kim and Esteemed Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide **testimony in strong support of GM736** pertaining to Governor David Y. Ige's appointment of Mr. Randolph "Randy" Moore to the University of Hawaii Board of Regents At-Large Seat.

Randy is someone I personally looked up to since I first met him in 2015 during his guest lecture on leadership to the UH President's Emerging Leadership Program ("PELP") participants. Randy was serving as the Chair of the Board of Regents at that time and brought such a positive spirit to the conversation with my fellow PELP participants. Randy gave me the reassurance that the University of Hawaii is truly an excellent University where local students can flourish and find fulfilling experiences to a promising future.

Randy's wealth of experience is influenced by successful careers in both the private- and public-sectors. Notably, Randy's prior experience with public K-12 education has proven to be a major asset as the University strives to attract more local students through the Early College Program and other opportunities. As a public high school graduate myself, I am confident in Randy's current leadership on the Board of Regents and his sincere efforts to increase the University's offerings for local students.

As the current Student Regent, I continue to turn to Randy for his wisdom, guidance, and optimism when considering how to tackle big challenges at the University. Randy played an active role in mentoring me during my first year on the Board and is someone I continue to admire for his intellect and dedication to the University.

I wholeheartedly recommend your favorable consideration of Mr. Raldolph "Randy" Moore for reappointment to the University of Hawaii Board of Regents At-Large Seat. With Randy's continued leadership, the University's future is certain to be bright.

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To:

The Honorable Kaiali'i Kahele, Chair

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim, Vice Chair

Members of the Senate Committee on Higher Education

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RE:

GM 736 – Consideration and confirmation to the Board of Regents of the University of

Hawai'i, Gubernatorial Nominee, RANDOLPH MOORE - SUPPORT.

Hearing date: April 30, 2018 Hearing time: 8:30 a.m. Conference Room 224

Dear Chair Kahele, Vice Chair Kim and Distinguished Members of the Committee on Higher Education:

It is with great pleasure that I speak in favor of Mr. Randolph Moore's second term on the Board of Regents, University of Hawai'i. As a fellow Regent, I have personally witnessed Mr. Moore's dedication and equitable approach to address the many issues facing the University. He has worked diligently towards improving the financial management of the University by serving on the Committee on Independent Audit.

He has served as the Vice Chair of the Board of Regents and his continuation as a Regent will assure continuity of his efforts to foster the needed steps to improve the performance, transparency and accountability of the University.

Based on the foregoing, I recommend without hesitation your favorable consideration of Mr. Moore for the aforementioned appointment.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

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Comments:

### **GM-736**

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Lee Putnam	Individual	Support	Yes	

### Comments:

I strongly support the re-appointment of Randy Moore. From his first year to the present, Randy has been an outstanding member of the Board of Regents. Immediately upon appointment, by unanimous decision, he became Chair (2013-2015) and after reaching the term limit, was voted to be Vice Chair (2015-present). He currently serves as well as the Chair of the Committee on Personnel and Board Governance, Vice Chair of the Independent Audit Committee, and a member of the Task Group on Public-Private Partnerships, the Task Group on Community College Re-Accreditation, the Permitted Interaction Group on the Relationship of UH and the UH Foundation, and the RCUH Board of Directors.

To each of these he brings a strong background of knowledge and experience, as evidenced by his record of progressively responsible employment and extensive community service. His colleagues on the Board clearly recognize his expertise and value his sound judgment. Randy is personally unassuming and affable, but his leadership has had a large impact on insuring transparency and moving the Board toward a higher level of strategic governance.

On a personal note, Randy has been very generous to me with his time and his advice. I have sought his counsel a number of times when confronted with a difficult situation. We have also engaged in several wide-ranging brainstorming sessions about the current state and future development of higher education in Hawaii and he has occasionally gently brought me back to reality while reinvigorating my own commitment to the University we both treasure.

The Board, the University, and the public have been well served by Regent Moore and it is outstanding that he is willing to devote attention and hard work to another term of service.