## **Testimony of the Board of Electricians and Plumbers**

Before the

Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
Wednesday, March 4, 2020
9:30 a.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

On the following measure:
G.M. 519, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION
TO THE BOARD OF ELECTRICIANS AND PLUMBERS,
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, SHEUNG WONG,
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2023

Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

My name is Lei Ana Green, and I am the Executive Officer of the Board of Electricians and Plumbers (Board). The Board supports the confirmation of Mr. Sheung Wong's appointment to the Board as a plumbing trade member.

Mr. Wong was appointed to the Board on an interim basis on July 1, 2019, and he has attended 3 out of 4 meetings since his appointment. He has been a licensed plumber in Hawaii since October 13, 2010, and his license is current, active, and in good standing.

Mr. Wong has been employed at Dorvin D. Leis Co., Inc. for over 14 years and possesses valuable technical experience in the trade. With his background as a plumber apprentice, journeyman, foreman, and supervisor, he understands the requirements for regulating electrical and plumbing professionals.

The Board believes that Mr. Wong's experience and willingness to serve the public will continue to greatly enhance the Board's effectiveness.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



## PLUMBERS AND FITTERS LOCAL 675 UNITED ASSOCIATION

March 4, 2020

The Honorable Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Committee Chair The Honorable Senator Stanley Chang, Committee Vice Chair The Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health State Capitol Conference Room 229 415 South Beretania St. Honolulu, Hawai`i 96813

Re:

GM No. 519- Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, Gubernatorial Nominee, SHEUNG MAN WONG, for a term to expire 06-30-2023 Notice of Hearing: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at 9:30 am

Aloha Chair, Vice-Chair, Committee Members;

Chartered in 1919, the Plumbers and Fitters UA, Local 675 is one of the oldest organized labor unions in Hawai'i and one of three 'licensed' skilled-construction trades, steeped in a rich history as one of Hawai'i's construction-industry pioneers.

On behalf of Local 675 and its hard-working members and their families, we would like to thank the Committee Chair, Vice Chair and members for this opportunity to provide comments in SUPPORT of GM No. 519 submitting for consideration and confirmation, Gubernatorial Nominee SHEUNG MAN WONG to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, for a term to expire 06-30-2023.

Mr. Wong has over 15 years of practical knowledge and experience in the plumbing industry. As a licensed journeyman plumber, Mr. Wong also serves as an instructor for Local 675's state-certified apprenticeship program. Local 675 strongly supports Mr. Wong's appointment to the E&P Board and believes his experience and knowledge will prove useful on industry-related issues that come before the Board.

For these reasons we encourage your favorable consideration of GM No. 519 and confirmation of SHEUNG MAN WONG. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.



## GM-519

Submitted on: 3/2/2020 11:37:22 AM

Testimony for CPH on 3/4/2020 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Matthew Brady	Individual	Support	No

## Comments:

I am submitting written testimony in support of Sheung Man Wong for the Board of Electricians and Plumbers. I have known Sheung Man for approximately 15 years. Sheung Man has an excellent knowledge of the Plumbers Industry in the State of Hawaii. I have seen Sheung Man grow in the trade thru the Plumbers Apprenticeship Program and successfully becoming a licensed Journeyman Plumber in the State of Hawaii. Sheung Man has been giving back to the industry as both an instructor for the Local Apprenticeship Program and as an instructor to the State of Hawaii Plumbers Continued Competancy courses which is a requirement for Plumbers to renew their license every 3 years. Instructing these classes will keep Sheung Man at the forefront of our industry.

As a former member of this Board, I know the time commitment and knowledge needed for the Board to be successful. Sheung Man possesses the commitment and knowledge. So I respectfully ask the Committee and its Chair to approve Sheungman Wong onto the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Mahalo,

Matt Brady

Past Co-Chairman of the Board of Electricians and Plumbers

President of the Plumbers and Fitters Local 675