

Testimony of the Contractors License Board

**Before the
Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
Wednesday, May 13, 2020
9:30 a.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 229**

**On the following measure:
G.M. 689, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION
TO THE CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD,
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, LEONARD LEONG,
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2022**

WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

My name is Candace Ito, and I am the Executive Officer of the Contractors License Board (Board). The Board supports the confirmation of Mr. Leonard Leong's reappointment to the Board as a general contractor member.

Mr. Leong has been licensed since June 7, 1974, and holds general engineering and general building contractor's licenses. He is the principal responsible managing employee of Royal Contracting Co Ltd., and his license is current, active, and in good standing.

Mr. Leong has served on the Board since July 1, 2014, and he is currently the Board's vice chairperson and Rules Committee chairperson. He is an extremely knowledgeable and reliable member. In addition to regular board meetings, he volunteers to attend the Board's Applications and Rules Committee meetings. Mr. Leong's expertise as a contractor with more than 45 years of experience brings invaluable insight to the evolving construction industry. His conscientious consideration on matters before the Board results in discussions that are fair and intended to maintain consumer protection.

Mr. Leong's commitment, knowledge, and desire to contribute to the community is an immeasurable asset to the Board. With his confirmation, consumers and industry members can look forward to Mr. Leong's continued contributions in his second term.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



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THE SENATE
THE THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2020

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator Stanley Chang, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, May 13, 2020
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 229
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

TESTIMONY ON GM 689

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, STANLEY CHANG, VICE CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

Hawaii LECET is a labor-management partnership between the Hawaii Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 368, its' 5000+ members and its' 250+ unionized contractors. The Laborers' International Union of North America is the largest construction union in the United States.

Hawaii LECET supports GM 689, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Contractors License Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, LEONARD LEONG, for a term to expire 06-30-2022. Mr. Leong is a current Contractors License Board Member and Hawaii LECET supports Mr. Leong's reappointment to the Board.

Mr. Leong has over 30 years of experience working in the construction industry. His extensive knowledge will continue to be an asset for the Contractors License Board when enforcing Board rules and ensuring fair and sound decisions are made to protect the integrity of the industry. Mr. Leong also serves as a Director for the General Contractors Association of Hawaii and volunteers his time to serve on numerous Boards, Commissions and industry organizations.

Mr. Leong's knowledge of the construction industry is invaluable and his commitment to serving the community is commendable. Hawaii LECET strongly supports Mr. Leong's reappointment and confirmation to the Contractors License Board.

With respect,

Hawaii Laborers-Employers Cooperation & Education Trust

To: The Honorable Rosalyn Baker, Chair
The Honorable Stanley Chang, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health

From: Michael D. Formby, Executive Director
Pacific Resource Partnership
1100 Alakea Street, 4th Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: GM 689—Consideration and Confirmation to the Contractor License Board, Gubernatorial Nominee
Mr. Leonard Leong—**STRONG SUPPORT**.
Hearing date: Wednesday, May 13, 2020
Hearing time: 9:30 A.M.
Conference Room 229

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Chang, and Members of the Committee:

Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP) writes in **strong support** of GM 689, which submits for consideration and confirmation to the Contractor License Board (CLB), Gubernatorial Nominee, Leonard Leong, for a term to expire 06-30-2022.

Mr. Leong's commitment to public service, extensive knowledge of the construction industry, ability to work effectively with industry professionals across the trades, prior service as a member of the CLB, and personal integrity renders him well suited to continue serving Hawaii's construction industry on the CLB.

Therefore, PRP is pleased to offer our strong support for Mr. Leong's confirmation to the CLB.

Sincerely,



Michael D. Formby
Pacific Resource Partnership





HAWAIIAN DREDGING
CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC.

May 12, 2020

TO: HONORABLE SENATOR ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND
MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE,
CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF GM 689: CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO
THE CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD, GUBERNATORIAL
NOMINEE, LEONARD LEONG, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2022.**

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Dear Chair Baker and members of the committee,

We support GM 689.

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Mr. Leong's background, knowledge of the Contractors Licensing Board and past service on the board all qualify him for appointment. Mr. Leong is a diligent professional with a broad range of private sector experience and a demonstrated commitment to the community that we believe will be beneficial to the board.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our support for GM 689.

Very truly yours,

J. Majkut
President

GM-689

Submitted on: 5/11/2020 4:48:57 PM

Testimony for CPH on 5/13/2020 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Claudia Shay	Testifying for Self-Help Housing Corporation of Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

To: Senator Rosalyn Baker, Chair,, Senate Committee on
Commerce,Consumer Protection, & Health

Senator Stanley Chong, Vice-Chair, Senate Committee on Commerce,
Consumer Protection & Health

As the Executive Director of the Self-Help Housing Corporation of Hawaii I strongly support Mr. Leonard Leong's confirmation to the Contractors' License Board. Not only has Mr. Leong managed a major construction company of excellent reputation for several years, but under his supervision the company has gone beyond the standard contractt to provide superior service to its clients. As a non-profit housing corporation I have relied upon Mr. Leong's advice and support for vaious construction problems which have arisen on some of our projects. Mr. Leong has always been there to provide advice and help out where he can. He has also donated the labor of his company for special projects undertaken by various sectors of the community. Not only is Mr. Leong well versed in all aspects of construction, but he is an individual of the finest qualities as shown by his honest, competent, industrious,and generous nature . It is a great honor to submit testimony on behalf of Mr. Leong's appoitnment to the Contractors' License Board.

GM-689

Submitted on: 5/11/2020 12:04:12 PM

Testimony for CPH on 5/13/2020 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michael Soto	Testifying for Hawai'i General Contractors Association (HGCA)	Support	No

Comments:

*Dear Chair Baker and members of the committee,**I proudly support GM 689.*

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Respectfully,

Michael A. Soto, Legislative Committee Member, HGCA

GM-689

Submitted on: 5/11/2020 10:19:51 AM

Testimony for CPH on 5/13/2020 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Maile S. Levins	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

To Whom It May Concern,

I support Mr. Leonard Leong's nomination to the Contractor's Licensing Board because he is vastly knowledgeable about the construction industry. He is truly committed to helping keep the industry professional and will help anyone with construction-related questions and issues. I frequently consult him for ideas to make better decisions in my field of construction operations. Leonard Leong is a valuable resource in the construction industry and he is always up to the challenge of helping others find solutions.

Very Truly Yours,

Maile S. Levins

GM-689

Submitted on: 5/11/2020 11:30:03 AM

Testimony for CPH on 5/13/2020 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Paul M Adachi	Testifying for Paul's Electrical Contracting, LLC	Support	No

Comments:

I fully support the nomination of Leonard Leong for the specialty/general/public member for the Contractors License Board.



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May 11, 2020

Dear Chair Baker and members of the committee,

Strong support for GM 689

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Mr. Leong has been and will continue to be a welcome asset to the Contractor's Licensing Board.

Sincerely,

Ms. Frances Kama-Silva
President
Henry's Equipment Rental & Sales, Inc.

May 11, 2020

Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
THE HAWAII STATE SENATE
The Thirtieth Legislature
Regular Session of 2020

Re: Testimony in favor of GM689

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Thank you for the opportunity to share our support for GM 689.

Sincerely,



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Submitted on: 5/11/2020 12:07:04 PM

Testimony for CPH on 5/13/2020 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michael Venezia	Testifying for Hensel Phelps Construction Co.	Support	No

Comments:

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TO: HONORABLE SENATOR ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF
THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND
HEALTH

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF GM 689: CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE
CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE,
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DATE: Wednesday, May 13, 2020
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Dear Chair Baker and members of the committee,

The General Contractors Association of Hawaii (GCA) is an organization comprised of over five hundred general contractors, subcontractors, and construction related firms. The GCA was established in 1932 and is the largest construction association in the State of Hawaii. Our mission is to represent our members in all matters related to the construction industry, while improving the quality of construction and protecting the public interest. To that end, we proudly **support GM 689.**

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Thank you for the opportunity to share our support for GM 689.

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May 11, 2020

To: The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair, Stanley Chang, Vice Chair and Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health

Re: Governors Message **GM 689: Strong Support** of the Confirmation of **Leonard Leong** to the Contractors Licensing Board

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, May 13, 2020
TIME: 9:30am
PLACE: Conference Room 229

The Honorable Chair Baker, Vice Chair Chang and Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health,

Ralph S. Inouye Co, Ltd (RSI) and I personally are in **strong support** of **Leonard Leong**, Vice President and Responsible Managing Employee (RME) of Royal Contracting, Inc who is applying for reappointment to the General Contractor position on the Contractors Licensing Board (CLB).

I have known Leonard for almost as long as I have been active in the construction industry, certainly well over 20 years. Throughout all those years, I have known him to be an outstanding member of the construction industry as well as a responsible citizen of the State of Hawaii. He has unselfishly given of his valuable time to the industry by active involvement in the General Contractors Association of Hawaii (GCA) as a director on its Board as well as chairman, mentor and longstanding member of its Legislative Committee. In addition, he has volunteered to serve our State, our City, and our community by serving on the Law Enforcement Efficiency Task Force and the Honolulu Police Commission, the Environmental Council and Environmental Quality Commission, the State One Call Advisory Commission, the Groundwater Technical Advisory Committee, as well as the Nuuanu Neighborhood Board and the Epiphany School Board. Because of his intelligence and thoughtful insights on issues without ever losing sight of the welfare of our community as a whole, it is no wonder that he is sought after by many boards and commissions. Leonard is a man of few words but whenever he speaks up, people pay attention as whatever he says is always well thought out after listening to all the opinions of others.

The CLB and its members have many important tasks, including adopting rules and regulations regarding the classifications of contractors, enforcing those rules, and approving or suspending contractor licenses to protect the public. Leonard, as always, has already demonstrated his value in those tasks and through his vast experience in the industry; he will continue to be a valuable resource person for the CLB. In my humble opinion, our community has been and will continue to be the beneficiary of his continued service on the CLB.

Accordingly, RSI and I personally are in **strong support** of the reappointment of **Leonard Leong** to the CLB and respectfully urge you to confirm his appointment to serve.

Sincerely,

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Lance M Inouye
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TO: HONORABLE SENATOR ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND
MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE,
CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF GM 689: CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO
THE CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD, GUBERNATORIAL
NOMINEE, LEONARD LEONG, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2022.**

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Dear Chair Baker and members of the committee:

I am writing in support of Leonard Leong, Vice President of Royal Contracting, Inc. for appointment to the Contractors License Board. Mr. Leong has been working in the construction industry for over forty years and has been a contributing community member on county and state levels.

I have known Mr. Leong for over 20 years, both as a competitor, during my years at Koga Engineering & Construction, Inc., and as a volunteer with organizations like the General Contractors Association of Hawaii and the University of Hawaii, College of Engineering. I can personally attest to his industry knowledge, character, and integrity.

Leonard has been serving on the Contractors License Board since 2014 and has served as the Chair of the Administrative Rules Committee which has taken on the arduous task of reviewing the administrative rules governing the Board. He brings a great wealth of information to the Board and is able to contribute greatly to the deliberations brought before the members, which deals with scope determinations, legislative initiatives, contested case hearings, review and approval of licensing of contractors and more. For these reasons, I strongly support the appointment of Leonard Leong to the Contractors License Board.

Sincerely,

Glenn M. Nohara
President



May 11, 2020

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HONORABLE SENATOR ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON
COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

RE: SUPPORT OF GM 689: CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE CONTRACTORS LICENSE
BOARD, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, LEONARD LEONG, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2022.

Dear Chair Baker and members of the committee,

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Thank you for the opportunity to share our support for GM 689.

Sincerely,

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Jason Pang
Preconstruction Services Manager



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Dear Chair Baker and members of the committee,

I proudly support GM 689.

I have worked with Mr. Leong for over 20 years and have found him to be one of the most knowledge contractors on Oahu. We have worked together to solve several difficult issues that arisen on projects. I have found him to be easy to work with and he has excellent problem-solving skills.

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Thank you for the opportunity to share our support for GM 689.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Stephen E. Joseph'.

Stephen E. Joseph
Vice President
PVT Land Company



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Dear Chair Baker and members of the committee,

Nordic PCL Construction, Inc. was founded in Honolulu in 1938 and stands as one of the oldest kama'aina construction companies. The breadth of our construction services includes but is not limited to high-rise residential and office buildings, educational institutions, healthcare, retail, and military construction.

I have had the privilege of serving on the board of directors of the General Contractors Association (GCA) with Mr. Leonard Leong, vice president of Royal Contracting Company, Ltd., and who has over forty years of tenure with the company. While he oversees the operations of Royal Contracting, Leonard has unselfishly served as an officer of GCA while sitting on the association's legislative committee throughout the years. He has also served on the Contractors Licensing Board (CLB) over several terms and his wealth of knowledge and experience gained from his past service on the CLB will serve the industry well. Leonard is dedicated to unselfishly serving the GCA and the CLB to help improve the working environment within the local construction industry.

Nordic PCL wholeheartedly supports the consideration and confirmation of Mr. Leonard Leong to the CLB.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our testimony in strong support for GM 689.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Glen Kaneshige". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Glen" and last name "Kaneshige" clearly visible.

Glen Kaneshige

President



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TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, STANLEY CHANG, VICE CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Hawaii Laborers' Union; Local 368 is made up of over 5,000 hard working and retired men and women across the State of Hawaii and Gubernatorial Nominee, LEONARD LEONG, for a term to expire 06-30-2022, and we support Mr. Leong's reappointment to the Board.

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May 11. 2020

TO: HONORABLE ROSAYN BAKER, CHAIR, HONORABLE STANLEY CHANG, VICE CHAIR, AND SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

SUBJECT: SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 689, APPOINTMENT OF LEONARD LEONG CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD, STATE OF HAWAII: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Contractors License Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, Leonard Leong, for a term to expire 06-30-2022

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Chang, and Members of the Committee,

Alan Shintani, Inc. has been providing general contracting and construction management services for homes, commercial buildings and government projects for over 37 years.

I am writing you today in support of Leonard Leong's nomination to the Contractors License Board. He is currently the Vice President of Royal Contracting Company, Limited (Royal Contracting) and has been with the company for over forty years. Mr. Leong is the Principal Responsible Managing Employee for Royal Contracting and holds an "A" General Engineering License, "B" General Building License and a specialty "C-27" Landscaping License. At Royal Contracting, Mr. Leong administers day-to-day operations, including oversight of all operations, outreach for business opportunities, project estimating, and overall personnel administration.

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I support Leonard Leong's nomination and I respectfully request your support of Governor's Message 689. Thank you for considering my support of his nomination.

Sincerely,

Alan Shintani
President



S & M SAKAMOTO, INC.
GENERAL CONTRACTORS

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May 13, 2020

TO: HONORABLE SENATOR ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF
THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND
HEALTH

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF GM 689: CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE
CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE,
LEONARD LEONG, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2022.**

Hearing

DATE: Wednesday, May 13, 2020
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 229

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GM-689

Submitted on: 5/12/2020 8:15:01 PM

Testimony for CPH on 5/13/2020 9:30:00 AM

LATE

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dylan P. Armstrong	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Chang, and Esteemed Members of the Committee,

I write in support of Leonard Leong, as a nominee for the Contractors License Board (CLB), Governor's Message 689.

I work as an urban planner, a discipline that attempts to consider and synthesize the work of many disciplines that create our communities, much like your Committee. I ask that the Committee on CPH consider that Mr. Leong is a career professional in engineering and construction (53 years), a dedicated member of the community, and a man of character. Mr. Leong's expertise in areas of skilled trades, government regulation, and private industry make a valuable asset for the CLB.

In conclusion, please vote for Mr. Leonard Leong's confirmation with GM689. Mahalo.

Sincerely,
Dylan P. Armstrong, Planner
In my individual capacity.

- (1) Why do you want to be a member of the Board? As a contractor I have benefited greatly and serving on the Board is a way of sharing my experience and knowledge. This is also a way of saying thank you.
- (2) What do you perceive are the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Board? The Contractor's License Board exist to serve and protect the public by ensuring that license contractors have the experience and integrity of dealing fairly with their clients. The Board also reviews issues on new construction product and technique to decide on license clarification. It also reviews exemption to owner builder permits.
- (3) In what ways do you feel that you can help protect the consumer? I can help protect the consumer by sharing my knowledge and experience with other board members to decide issues that the Board must render a decision.
- (4) Given your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Board member, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise and knowledge that would aid you as a member of the Board. As an individual that has experience working in the field and managing operation for a construction company that has worked on all the islands except Niihau. I feel that this board experience has helped me a current Board member. I am active in the GCA and also served as a trustee on the Labor pension fund and Operating Engineering training fund. I have also served on governmental committee dealing with the environment, water quality and one call. Participation on these groups enable me to listen and be informed of issues related to the construction industry that will help in deciding issue before the board.
- (5) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service? During my term of service, I intend to share my knowledge with the board and to continue our current effort to resolve the rules on license clarification. Since applicants are many, I intend to continue serving on the application committee.

- (6) Name three qualities that best describe you and how these qualities will benefit the Board. Ability to listen, questions and decide are three qualities that will help the board. The foundation of the Board relies on rendering decision on applications, appeals, scope and penalty after receiving testimony and discussion.
- (7) Name a previous experience you've had that will be beneficial as a Board member. With an A license I have had an opportunity to move earthwork in range from 500 cy to 500,000 cy. An applicant will be questioned if they are vague on their experience in earthmoving.
- (8) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interest that could arise during your service on the Board? How would you overcome conflicts of interest? There may be occasion on possible conflict of interest. In close situation I would participate in discussion but will obtain from voting.