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> The Thirty-First Legislature, State of Hawaii Hawaii State Senate Committee on Labor, Culture, and the Arts

> > Testimony by IATSE Local 665 February, 22nd, 2021

## <u>G.M. 604 - Hawaii Workforce Development Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, JASON</u> <u>BRADSHAW</u>

Aloha Chair Taniguchi, Vice-Chair Ihara, and Members of the Senate Committee,

My name is Tuia'ana Scanlan. I'm the President of IATSE Local 665. We represent Entertainment Technicians in the Live Event, Tradeshow & Convention, and Film/TV sectors. We strongly **<u>support</u>** G.M.604 and the appointment of Jason Bradshaw to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council for the term ending June 30th, 2021.

Mr. Bradshaw has an impressive résumé encompassing the skills and experience necessary for this role. He has been an unwavering advocate for Hawaii's working families. Mr. Bradshaw's commitment to excellence and diligent work ethic make him an ideal candidate for the Hawaii Workforce Development Council. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of G.M 604.

Sincerely,

Tuia'ana Scanlan President, IATSE Local 665

# THE SENATE THE THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2021

## COMMITTEE ON LABOR, CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair

# NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:	Wednesday, February 24, 2021
TIME:	3:00 PM
PLACE:	Conference Room 225 and Videoconference

## RE: GM 604 and GM 605 - Nomination to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council

My name is Brenda Ching. I am writing in support of Jason Bradshaw's nomination to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council for two terms. The first term ending on 6/30/21 and the second term ending on 6/30/2025.

Mr. Bradshaw's work experience with Hawaii's labor force and unions makes his voice a vital contribution to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to submit testimony in support of Jason Bradshaw's nomination to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council for two terms.

### ALAN S. HAYASHI 207-4 Kawaihae Street Honolulu, Hawaii

February 24, 2021

- To: Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair and Members of the Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts
- From: Alan S. Hayashi, Vice Chair Workforce Development Council
- RE: GM 594 thru GM 605 **Gubernatorial Nominees:** Charles Shima / Jason Brand / Kira Higa / Ian Kitajima / Brian Tatsumura / Cary Miyashiro / Ken Loui / April Chun Acquavella / Brian Lee / Jason Bradshaw, to the Workforce Development Council for varying terms to expire June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2025

Hearing: Wednesday, February 24, 2021, 3:00 p.m., Conference Room 225

POSITION: Strong Support for GM 594 thru GM 605

Good afternoon Chair Taniguchi, Vice Chair Ihara and members of the Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts, I am Alan Hayashi, Vice Chair of the Workforce Development Council (WDC) testifying in strong support of ALL ABOVE LISTED NOMINEES for confirmation to the WDC for varying terms to expire on June 30, 2023 thru June 30, 2025. The Nominees would fill slots reserved for designated sectors on the Council.

The WDC is an attached agency to the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and is responsible for advising the Governor and Legislature on workforce development to support economic development and employment opportunities for employers and employees. The WDC is the State Workforce Development Board for purposes of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014. The WDC assists the Governor in developing and updating comprehensive, strategic workforce development plans and oversees publicly funded workforce investment activities in the state.

All Nominees are well qualified and leaders in their respective organizations and sectors. We on the WDC Board feel fortunate to have such diverse talent willing to join the effort to provide job opportunities and skills training for our community

In this critical year, WDC has been implementing the Hawaii WIOA Unified State Plan. The plan covers the six core formula grant programs authorized under WIOA and outlines the state's vision and strategy for carrying out activities under each program. The WIOA plan is a Federal requirement in order for Hawaii to receive the bulk of federal funding for the State's primary job training and placement activities.

I respectfully urge you to confirm all submitted Nominees as members of the Workforce Development Council where they will be valuable assets to the deliberations of the Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this matter.

<u>GM-604</u> Submitted on: 2/20/2021 12:54:44 PM Testimony for LCA on 2/24/2021 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mike Golojuch, Sr.	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support the confirmation of Jason Bradshaw to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

Mike Golojuch, Sr.

Member, Labor Caucus, Democratic Party of Hawaii



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# **LOCAL 142**

The Thirty-First Legislature Regular Session of 2021

THE SENATE

Committee on Labor, Culture, and the Arts Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair Wednesday, February 24, 2021; 3:00 p.m.

# STATEMENT OF THE ILWU LOCAL 142 ON G.M. 604 AND G.M. 605 <u>IN SUPPORT</u>

The ILWU Local 142 **<u>supports</u>** Jason Bradshaw to serve as a member on the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

Mr. Bradshaw has the work and community experience and knowledge of labor to provide valuable input as a member of the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

Mr. Bradshaw has always been a strong voice for workers – advocating for their best interests and has a passion to improve the lives of all Hawaii working families.

Hawaii's workforce is facing one of its most difficult and challenging times as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Unemployment is at record highs and workers throughout the state are struggling. Mr. Bradshaw recognizes the struggles and will advocate for programs that will help educate and train our workforce as our economy changes.

Mr. Bradshaw will be an exceptional member and we strongly urge a favorable recommendation for confirmation.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Donna Domingo

Donna Domingo President ILWU Local 142

The Thirty-First Legislature Regular Session of 2021

THE SENATE <u>Committee on Labor, Culture, and the Arts</u> Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair State Capitol, Conference Room 225 Wednesday, February 24, 2021; 3:00 p.m.

# GM 604 & GM 605 - Support

Mahalo Chair Taniguchi, Vice-Chair Ihara and members of the Committee on Labor, Culture, and the Arts for scheduling my nomination hearing to be a member on the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

I am grateful for the appointment by Governor David Ige and look forward to serving our state as a member on the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

I believe my work history and desire to help working families will be useful and valuable to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council. I will be a strong advocate and voice for workers and will enthusiastically work with the Council and staff to help address the needs of our workforce today and in the future.

We have some challenging times ahead – the Covid-19 pandemic has led to record unemployment in Hawaii and our economy may take years to recover. Some jobs may never return, and some jobs may require new skills to return. I will be a strong proponent of training and education programs to ensure our workforce has the skills needed as our jobs and economy change.

I am excited to get to work on the council and excited to work with many brilliant individuals as we figure out how to support our workforce and economy. This may be a difficult time now, but with the right decisions, we can help move our economy in the right direction and ensure our workforce has the proper training to succeed and excel in their jobs today and their jobs tomorrow.

Again, mahalo for scheduling my nomination. I look forward to serving on the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

Jason Bradshaw



Patrick K. Loo President Gwen K. Rulona Secretary Treasurer

February 22, 2021

The Thirty-First Legislature Hawai'i State House of Representatives

SUPPORT GM604 - HAWAII WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Aloha!

United Food & Commercial Workers Union 480 **FULLY SUPPORTS** the Gubernatorial Nominee, Jason Bradshaw, to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council for term to expire June 30, 2021.

We have been fortunate to not only witness, but to collaborate efforts with Mr. Bradshaw on many issues facing our community and island(s). He has shown and continues to demonstrate a passion for helping and making livelihoods better for the people of Hawai'i.

We encourage you to approve and confirm Jason Bradshaw's nominations; as we have full confidence in his embodiment of professionalism, activism, dedication, and drive.

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February 22, 2021

President/Principal Officer Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi Committee Chairperson RYAN YOSHIDA 415 South Beretania Street Secretary – Treasurer Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Re: Letter of Recommendation for Jason Bradshaw to the Hawaii Workforce FREDERICK LIVA **Development Council Vice President** Dear State Senator Taniguchi: I am writing this letter of recommendation to the Committee on Labor, ANTHONY "BULLY" BADAYOS **Recording Secretary** Culture and the Arts for Jason Bradshaw for appointment to Hawaii Workforce Development Council. I have known Jason Bradshaw for the past seven years, as the Director of WENDY NAILE Committee on Political Education, member of the Labor Education Advisory Trustee Council, and Legislative Representative at ILWU Local 142. Jason Bradshaw would be a fine member of the Hawaii Workforce JAMES "KIMO" LAROYA JR. Development Council. He has many years of experience in both public and Trustee private sectors, labor, government and legislative affairs at the federal, state, and local arena. He has exhibited good temperament when in meetings. His sense of humor, self-discipline, and varied interests is extremely WALTER FOX III important. He makes decisions that are just and fair. He is caring, unbiased Trustee and impartial. He is intelligent, wise, and patient. Jason Bradshaw has all the credentials, experience, and wisdom to be a fine member of the Hawaii Workforce Development Council. I hope the Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts considers the appointment of Jason Bradshaw to the position of Hawaii Workforce Development Council as recommended by the Governor, State of Hawaii. Sincerely, , us k Wayne K. S. Kaululaau President/Principal Executive Officer

<u>GM-604</u> Submitted on: 2/23/2021 6:30:12 AM Testimony for LCA on 2/24/2021 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Randy Swindell	Testifying for IOMM&P	Support	No

Comments:

Jason Bradshaw is committed to uplifting the lives of the working families of this state. I wholeheartedly recommend him for this position.

February 22, 2021

TO: Senator Brian Taniguchi, Chair Senate Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts

Senator Les Ihara Jr., Vice Chair Senate Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts

Members Senate Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts

FROM: Kate Stanley (retired)

SUBJECT: Testimony in support of Jason Bradshaw, nominee to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council; GM 604 and GM 605

I am Kate Stanley testifying in my individual capactity in support of the confirmation of Jason Bradshaw as a member of the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

I have know and worked with Jason for over 10 years. Mostly Jason and I have worked together on various projects in the Democratic Party of Hawaii. Working together to ensure leadrship and funds for the Party have kept us both very busy. Jason has lead the Labor Caucus and helped organize a golf tournament in the fall of 2019. the first Glenn Ida Memorial Tournament.

His work ethic is excellent. His commitment as an advocate for those who labor in Hawaii is outstanding. Many of you know that Jason has been a tireless voice for issues that benefit the workingman.

Jason will be an asset to the Workforce Development as the Council works to fulfill its mandated functions: serving as the State Workforce Investment Board, per the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014; and as the state Council responsible ror preparing and overseeing the comprhensive state plan for workforce evelopment in the State of Hawaii.

His carreer in labor organizations and work in the Democratic Party of Hawaii have prepared Jason to serve with distinction.

Please vote in favor of GM 604 and GM 605.



Corey Rosenlee President Osa Tui Jr. Vice President Logan Okita Secretary-Treasurer

Wilbert Holck Executive Director

# TESTIMONY BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, CULTURE & THE ARTS

# RE: GM 604- SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE HAWAII WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, JASON BRADSHAW, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2021

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021

# WILBERT HOLCK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HAWAII STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Dear Chair Taniguchi and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii State Teachers Association (HSTA) respectfully submits its written **support GM 604** in favor of the confirmation of Jason Bradshaw to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, JASON BRADSHAW, for a term to expire 06-30-2021.

Jason Bradshaw has displayed the knowledge, leadership, temperament, skills, and abilities to be appointed to The Hawaii Workforce Development Council. He is heavily involved in labor issues and advocates for advancing labor opportunities and workforce development through his extensive experience currently with ILWU, and previously through his role with AFL-CIO and as the former chair of the Labor Caucus. He has taken on the task of building up our labor forces here in Hawaii, and is highly knowledgeable about our labor force and what it needs to grow, especially even more so now, due to the pandemic. He has been able to able to serve and assist other labor organizations, and together, refine practices and advocacy efforts as well. Allowing Jason Bradshaw to serve on the Hawaii Labor Workforce Development Council will help to strengthen it and help it provide high quality direction and support for labor and workforce development.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter. The Hawaii State Teachers Association asks your committee to <u>support</u> this motion.

February 24, 2021, 3 pm

Committee on Labor, Culture, and the Arts Senate Via Videoconference State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

# <u>Re: GM 604 & GM 605 – Confirmation of JASON BRADSHAW to the Hawaii Workforce</u> <u>Development Council</u>

Aloha Chair Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice-Chair Les Ihara, Jr., and members of the Senate Committee on Labor, Culture, and the Arts:

We <u>SUPPORT</u> the confirmation of Jason Bradshaw to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

I have known Mr. Bradshaw for most of his adult life. He has demonstrated sound business judgement, good moral character, open-mindedness, and critical analytical thinking skills in his dealings with our organization and our advocacy efforts.

Mr. Bradshaw has consistently been a voice that supports workers and their 'ohana.

Our island state's workforce is facing one of its most dynamic times in its history, with the ongoing pandemic, unemployment at record highs, and budget woes across our state. Mr. Bradshaw is well prepared to help our state address these crises and chart a path forward for our economic recovery that honors our culture, uplifts our workers, and balances our budget.

Mr. Bradshaw will be an excellent addition to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council and we ask you confirm his nomination.

Sincerely,

T. George Paris Managing Director



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> February 24, 2021 – 3 pm Senate Via Videoconference State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

### <u>Re: GM 604 & GM 605 – CONFIRMATION OF JASON BRADSHAW TO THE HAWAII</u> WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

Aloha Chair Taniguchi, Vice-Chair Ihara, and members:

We **SUPPORT** the confirmation of Mr. Jason Bradshaw to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council. I have known Mr. Bradshaw for many years and in all that time, I have found him to be levelheaded, fair, prudent, and someone that exercises sound judgement. The Hawaii Workforce Development Council, in part, serves as the "information clearinghouse" for all workforce development programs in the State, including workforce training and education programs. Mr. Bradshaw's work and life experience will be an asset to the Council. We wholeheartedly recommend him and ask for your kind consideration for his confirmation.

Sincerely. Joseph O'Donnell

Business Manager/Financial-Secretary Treasurer



<u>GM-604</u> Submitted on: 2/23/2021 10:31:49 AM Testimony for LCA on 2/24/2021 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mericia Palma Elmore	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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# February 24, 2021

- To: The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair The Honorable Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair, and Members of the Senate Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts
- Date: Wednesday, February 24, 2021
- Time: 3:00 p.m.
- Place: Conference Room 225
- From: Allicyn Tasaka, Executive Director Hawaii Workforce Development Council

# Re: GM 604 & GM 605 Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, Jason Bradshaw for a term to expire at 06-30-2021 and 06-30-2025.

Good afternoon Chair Taniguchi, Vice Chair Ihara and members of the Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts. I am Allicyn Tasaka, Executive Director of the Workforce Development Council (WDC) testifying in strong support of Mr. Jason Bradshaw's confirmation to the WDC for terms to expire on June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2025. Mr. Bradshaw would fill a slot reserved for a workforce/labor member on the Council.

The WDC is responsible for the administrative oversight and implementation of a federally mandated initiative, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (WIOA). Additionally, the WDC assists the Administration develop and update statewide comprehensive, strategic workforce development plans and actions to align and streamline the public workforce development system for continuous improvement and accountability. It supports employment opportunities for employers and employees through direct services at the American Job Centers throughout the State.

Mr. Bradshaw is the Legislative Representative with the ILWU Local 142 for the past three years. Prior to his current position, he was Political Director of the Hawaii State AFL-CIO and has served on the AFL-CIO Executive Board.

During the interim, Mr. Bradshaw has been consistently attending WDC board meetings and becoming familiar with the programs, services at the American Job Centers and issues of discussion. In 2016 when the Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar (HC&S) company closed, the ILWU Local 142 was instrumental in securing additional federal funds to help displaced workers through the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Workers (TAA) with the US Department of Labor. The TAA offers a variety of benefits and reemployment services to help unemployed workers prepare for and obtain suitable employment through training, job search and relocation allowances, income support, another reemployment services.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in strong support of Mr. Bradshaw's nomination to the WDC.