

Senate Committee on Health

March 31, 2021 1:00 p.m. Hawaii State Capitol

Testimony in Strong Support Governor's Message 632 and Governor's Message 633

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, **JANE DIERENFIELD**, for terms to expire 06-30-2021 and 06-30-2025, respectively.

> Linda Rosen, M.D., M.P.H. Chief Executive Officer Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

On behalf of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC), thank you for the opportunity to present testimony **in strong support of Governor's Message 632 and 633**, in consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation, Gubernatorial Nominee, **Jane Dierenfield**, for terms to expire 06-30-2021 and 06-30-2025, respectively.

HHSC will benefit from having a nursing perspective on its HHSC Board of Directors. As a nurse, Ms. Dierenfield has a wide range of skills including quality and process improvement, human resources, compliance, risk-management, finance, communications, and complex problem solving. Her life's work in healthcare has been dedicated to the West Hawaii community having worked at Kona Community Hospital for over 30 years, as well as at North Hawaii Community Hospital. She also teaches at the University of Hawaii at Hilo School of Nursing as a faculty member, influencing new generations of nurses for Hawaii's healthcare system.

Jane Dierenfield's nomination to this Board is an exciting transition from her current position on the West Hawaii Regional Board and we are fortunate that she is willing to continue to serve in this new capacity.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify before this committee in strong support of this nominee and we thank Ms. Dierenfield for her willingness to serve on the HHSC Board of Directors.

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