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February 18, 2022

The Honorable Jarret Keohokalole, Chair Senate Committee on Health Thirtieth First LegislatureState Capitol State of Hawaii Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Senator, Keohokalole and Members of the Committee:

SUBJECT: GM 607and GM 608 – State Council on Developmental DisabilitiesGubernatorial Nominee Kevin Bardsley-Marcial

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD) **STRONGLY SUPPORTS GM 607 and GM 608** to confirm the nomination of Kevin Bardsley-Marcial for a term to expire June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2026.

The Council's Federal mandate (P.L.106-402) is clear in determining the composition of this body to ensure that all the players involved in the development, implementation, and use of DD supports are represented. The law specifically requires that 60 percent of the membership of the Council be comprised of individuals with DD, their parents, or family members. Additionally, the following agencies are required to be on the Council: Department of Health; the agencies that administer funds provided under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; the Older Americans Act of 1965; Titles V and XIX of the Social Security Act; the Protection and Advocacy Agency; the Centers for Excellence in DD Education, Research, and Service; agencies and private non-profit organizations concerned with services to individuals with DD. The Governor's nominee meets all the Federal requirements for Council membership.

Mr. Bardsley-Marcial's appointment to the Council would fulfill the Federal requirement for representative from a Local and Non-governmental Agency. He is the Director of Intellectual Disability Services for Goodwill Industries of Hawai'i.

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As a representative of Local and Non-governmental Agency and his various capacities and affiliations with Goodwill, Mr. Barsdley-Marcial would provide the Council with direct input from Local and Non-governmental Agency on how best to coordinate services and serve as a liaison to assist the Council in building capacity of service providers in the community.

The Council is pleased with the nomination of Mr. Barsdley-Marcial and welcomes the opportunity to work with him.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our **strong support for GM 607 and GM 608**.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Remote Testimony Requested
Kevin Bardsley-Marcial	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

It's truly an honor to be nominated and continue to serve as the Non-profit Agency representative on the Hawai'i State Council on Developmental Disabilities. I hope to continue to be able to contribute to fullfill the current vision, mission and implementation statement for the Hawai'i State Council on Developmental Disabilities.



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Dear Senator, Keohokalole and Members of the Committee:

SUBJECT: GM 607 and GM 608 – State Council on Developmental Disabilities Gubernatorial Nominee Kevin Bardsley-Marcial

The Hawaii Self-Advocacy Advisory Council (SAAC) **STRONGLY SUPPORTS GM 607 and GM 608** to confirm the nomination of Kevin Bardsley-Marcial for a term to expire June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2026.

He is the Director of Intellectual Disability Services for Goodwill Industries of Hawai'i.

As a representative of Local and Non-governmental Agency and his various capacities and affiliations with Goodwill, Mr. Bardsley-Marcial would provide the Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities with direct input from Local and Non-governmental Agency on how best to coordinate services and serve as a liaison to assist the Council in building capacity of service providers in the community.

The SAAC is pleased with the nomination of Mr. Bardsley-Marcial and welcomes the opportunity to work with him.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our strong support for GM 607 and GM 608.

Sincerely,

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President, Hawaii Self-Advocacy Advisory Council(SAAC)



February 17, 2022

The Honorable Jarrett Keohokalole, Chair Senate Committee on Health Hawaii State Capitol, Room 205 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813



SUBJECT: GM 607 and GM 608 – State Council on Developmental Disabilities Gubernatorial Nominee Kevin Bardsley-Marcial

Dear Senator Keohokalole and Members of the Committee

I am honored to submit this letter of recommendation to STRONGLY SUPPORT GM 607 and GM 608 to confirm the nomination of Kevin Bardsley-Marcial for a term to expire June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2026.

Mr. Bardsley-Marcial is a colleague and advocate supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We met during his work as a quality assurance specialist for a community provider. The focus of the agency was to provide services to individuals with disabilities. I was impressed that Mr. Bardsley-Marcial had a focus on expanding resources to the people served when he asked that I present to the agency staff the importance of emergency preparedness. His commitment to providing information, resources, and training to enhance the lives of agency participants showed how much he cared and advocated for others.

Mr. Bardsley-Marcial did not stop there in his interests to provide more of his time, energy, and connections. He joined Best Buddies Hawaii as a board member. The organization supports inclusive friendships for people with disabilities and their peers in schools and the community. Mr. Bardsley-Marcial demonstrated his willingness to volunteer for events, activities, and friendship with the members in the organization. He is now chair of Best Buddies and continues to lead with a vision of inclusive service to others.

I also worked with Mr. Bardsley-Marcial during his previous time with the Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities. He showed his leadership and expertise as a member of various committees sharing his insight on how our system can improve and enhance the lives of people with disabilities.

Mr. Bardsley-Marcial is now the Director of Intellectual Disability Services for Goodwill Industries of Hawaii. He continues to help people with disabilities to have a voice and advocate for a meaningful life.



Mr. Bardsley-Marical is a wonderful asset to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities. His expertise, direct experience in service, advocacy and a kind heart show his willingness to help others in his role as a council member. I look forward supporting his work and helping him to succeed in impacting the lives of people with disabilities in a positive way.

Sincerely,

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