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

Dear Senator Keohokalole, and Members of the Committee:

SUBJECT: GM 609 – State Council on Developmental Disabilities Gubernatorial Nominee Howard Greenberg

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD) **STRONGLY SUPPORTS GM 609** to confirm the nomination of Howard Greenberg for a term to expire June 30, 2026.

The Council's Federal mandate (P.L.106-402 - DD Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000) is clear in determining the composition of this body to ensure that all the stakeholders are represented and engaged in the development and implementation of a comprehensive system of services and supports for individuals with DD. The Governor's Nominee meets all the Federal Requirements for Council membership.

Mr. Greenberg is a father of a child with Autism. He is currently serving as the president of Maui Autism foundation and is reconginized for his diplomatic skills, relationship building, creativity, and positive energy.

The Council is pleased with Mr. Greenberg's nomination to serve on the council. His appointment to the Council fulfills the Federal requirement of parents serving on the Council. We look forward to his contribuitions to improve the qulity of life for individuals with DD.

The Council appreciates the opportunity to express our **strong support for GM 609** to confirm the appointment of Howard Greenberg to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Sincerely,

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