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April 6, 2023

The Honorable Joy A. San Buenaventura
Chair, Senate Committee on Health and Human Services
Hawaii State Senator
District 2, Puna

Dear Chair San Buenaventura:

Thank you for your letter dated April 5, 2023 regarding my nomination to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

The following is in response to your request for a written statement.

(1) Why do you wish to be a member of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities?

It would be an honor to continue my tenure on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities. The State Council is a vital hub for communications, and I have learned so much from my participation. I believe I can contribute to the State Council through listening and advancing dialogue about the future directions and improvements needed to the service system for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Hawaii. In my position as Administrator of the Department of Health, Developmental Disabilities Division (DDD), it is critical that I promote communications and opportunities for us to engage with our stakeholders wherever possible.

(2) How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of a member of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities?

To be a fair and contributing and accountable member of the council, and participate fully and consistently. To listen to members and stakeholders, and engage in problem solving for what is in the best interest of the population. To share updates on activities of the Developmental Disabilities Division with the Council.

(3) Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities of a member of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise, or knowledge that would aid in your decision-making ability as a member of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

I believe I am qualified for the position of State Council member as I have worked in social services throughout my career, and in the disabilities field for over 25 years. I have participated in many councils and boards over the years, and think I can be a valuable contributing member of the DD Council's board. I am currently President of the Board of Directors of the National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services (NASDDDS), which gives me a unique opportunity to participate at the national level in helping to inform disability policy. My skills include being able to create improvements and change in complex systems, and present my ideas in ways that are logical and understandable. I believe in consensus-driven processes, and I feel I can learn from others in order to come to the best solutions. I am action-oriented, creative, and like to work with groups and the community to ensure the best outcomes for people who are traditionally marginalized in society.

- (4) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

I would like to see stronger partnership between DDD and the community and engage in shared action forward to achieve positive outcomes for the population.

- (5) Name three qualities that best describe you and that would make you stand out. How would these qualities benefit the State Council on Developmental Disabilities?

I am committed, innovative, and accountable. This will benefit the DD Council as I can help guide board matters toward implementation.

- (6) Name one previous experience that would make you stand out. How would this benefit the State Council on Developmental Disabilities?

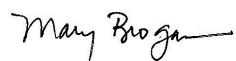
As mentioned above, I serve as President of the Board of Directors of NASDDDS, and Chair of their Research Committee. This gives me the ability to share Hawaii's experiences in moving our service system for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and share national perspectives with the DD Council.

- (7) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interests that could arise during your service on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities? How would you overcome any possible conflicts of interest?

I have no conflicts of interest.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to provide a written statement and for your consideration of my nomination.

Sincerely,



Mary Brogan
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April 10, 2023

The Honorable Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura, Chair
Senate Committee on Health and Human Services
The Thirty-Second Legislature
State Capitol
State of Hawaii ʻi Honolulu, Hawaii ʻi 96813

Dear Senator San Buenaventura and Committee Members:

SUBJECT: GM 664 - State Council on Developmental Disabilities
Gubernatorial Nominee Mary Brogan

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities **SUPPORTS GM 664** to confirm the nomination of Mary Brogan for a second term to expire June 30, 2027.

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 developmental disability supports are represented. The law specifically requires each Council shall include representatives of relevant State entities, including State entities that administer funds provided under Federal laws related to individuals with disabilities.

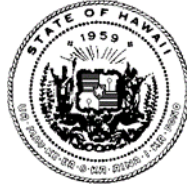
Ms. Brogan's reappointment fulfills the Federal requirement for a representative of relevant State entities. She would continue to serve as the representative for the Department of Health (DOH) as a relevant State entity. As the DOH representative, she has been a liaison, providing information to and from, and coordination with other Divisions within DOH, such as the Adult Mental Health, Child and Adolescent Mental Health, and DD Divisions.

Thank you for the opportunity to convey our **support for GM 664** to confirm the reappointment of Ms. Brogan to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Sincerely,

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Executive Administrator

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April 9, 2023

TO: The Honorable Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura, Chair
Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

FROM: Cathy Betts, Director
Judy Mohr Peterson, Med-QUEST Division Administrator

RE: **GM664 - Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Gubernatorial Nominee, MARY BROGAN, for a term to expire 06-30-2027.**

Hearing: April 10, 2023, 1:00 p.m.
Conference Room 225 & Via Videoconference, State Capitol

The Department of Human Services supports the nomination and confirmation of Mary Brogan, Developmental Disabilities Division Administrator, Department of Health, to serve on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities. Per section 333E-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the State Council on Developmental Disabilities provides advocacy, capacity building, systemic change, planning, coordinating activities, promoting interagency collaboration, and enhancing coordination to better serve individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.

As Hawaii's Medicaid director, I strongly support Mary Brogan's nomination. I have worked and collaborated with Ms. Brogan extensively on many projects and issues related to developmental disabilities. Whether we have been working to resolve an individual's complex case or to implement the most extensive, most transformative set of rules for the Medicaid long-term care system, her approach is one of compassion blended with pragmatism.

Her background in education and her long career serving the children and families in this state in various positions and organizations give her the knowledge and experience needed to serve Hawaii's individuals and families.

Thank you for your consideration and for the opportunity to submit testimony in support.

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April 6, 2023

To: Committee on Health and Human Services
Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura, Chair
Senator Henry J.C. Aquino, Vice Chair

Fr: Leolinda Iokepa, President & CEO

Re: Testimony in support for consideration and confirmation to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Gubernatorial Nominee, MARY BROGAN, for a term to expire 06-30-2027

On behalf of Hilopa'a Family to Family, Inc. I offer strong support for the appointment of Mary Brogan to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities. Mary has the necessary subject matter expertise, systems "know how", and aloha to assist the Council in accomplishing its goals and objectives.

In reflecting when I first met Mary it was during the Felix Consent Decree Era. Mary was able to connect with families in a manner not often experienced by many. She was able to convey her compassion, the data, and the work the system needed to do in a way that was understandable as well as hopeful.

Since those early years I have come to consider Mary a colleague, thought partner, and a friend. During her tenure at the Developmental Disabilities Division she has actually been able to launch initiatives that had been discussed for decades but could never gather enough traction to activate.

As a leader of an organization committed to *Hilopa'a* or, braiding our system of care of families, professional partners, and government programs; partners such as Mary are few and far between and any opportunity for this kind of engagement for the Council should be supported.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



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April 3, 2023

Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura
Senate Committee on Health & Human Services
Hawaii State Capitol
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator San Buenaventura and Members of the Health & Human Services Committee:

This letter is written with strong support of Mary Brogan for reappointment to the Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities. I have known Mary from 2018 and worked as her medical director since March of 2019. Regarding her background, Mary has an extensive record of effective leadership at the local and national level, in human services and governmental agencies. She has proven success with system wide collaboration and administration. She has led teams that acquired multiple federal grant awards. She has held leadership positions in several divisions in the Hawaii Department of Health. She has developed and managed numerous projects such as the recent initiatives involving the American Rescue Plan Act funds that support the mission of the division. She emphasizes quality improvement, systems design, and individualized care. She has numerous publications and presentations that establish her as an expert in improving systems of care. As a result, she has a legacy of positively impacting the lives of the communities she serves.

Mary has been successful as Administrator of the Hawaii State Department of Health, Developmental Disabilities Division since 2014. Mary has demonstrated she is the best person to lead efforts and ensure we have a comprehensive statewide system of supports and services for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Her ability to see problems and provide solutions with a lasting impact, makes her a gifted leader that the State is benefitting from. Furthermore, her vision to advance quality, culture, and infrastructure of person-centered services statewide has inspired us all. She cares about the people she serves and the people she works with to serve others. Should she be granted reappointment, our state will benefit greatly. It is with my highest recommendation that I support Mary Brogan for reappointment. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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