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**TO:** THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura, Chair  
Senator Angus L.K. McKelvey, Vice Chair  
Honorable Members

**FROM:** John C. (Jack) Lewin, MD, Administrator, SHPDA, and Sr. Advisory to  
Governor Josh Green, MD on Healthcare Innovation

**RE:** **GM539 – Nomination of Jodi M. Hashimoto the Health Planning  
Council, Honolulu Subarea for a term to expire on 6-30-2029**

**HEARING:** Friday, April 10, 2026 @ 1:00 pm, Conference Room 225

**POSITION:** SUPPORT

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Testimony:

SHPDA is pleased with the Governor's nomination of Ms. Jodi M. Hashimoto, BS, MBA, for the Health Planning Council, Honolulu Subarea (HONSAC), and we strongly support her confirmation.

Ms. Hashimoto earned her MBA from the University of Hawaii Shidler College of Business. Her bachelor's degree was in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research from the University of California at Berkeley.

She brings over three decades of healthcare consulting experience, currently as a partner at SH Consulting LLC, and previously with Ernst and Young. Her extensive boots-on-the-ground consulting experience across Hawaii's health sector is impressive. She has long-standing affiliations with numerous healthcare clients in Hawai'i that include hospitals, provider organizations, and government entities. Her services include organizational performance improvement, financial and IT systems improvement, and organizational effectiveness.

Ms. Hashimoto has led major statewide initiatives-including Hawaii's collaborative community health needs assessment and the launch of a statewide health data collection nonprofit. Jodi led multi-island electronic medical record rollouts during the COVID-19 pandemic with various clients, highlighting her capacity to guide organizations through high-stakes transitions in difficult circumstances.

*GM 539: testimony of SHPDA (2026), continued*

Healthcare in Hawai`i is undergoing tumultuous changes among insurers, hospitals, and provider organizations. Jodi Hashimoto will bring to SHPDA valuable healthcare business expertise offering perspectives and insights currently lacking on the Honolulu SAC. We respectfully request your favorable consideration of her confirmation.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

■ -- Jack Lewin, MD, Administrator, SHPDA



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**Senate Committee on Health and Human Services**

To: Chair Joy A. San Buenaventura  
Vice Chair Angus L.K. McKelvey

From: Hilton R. Raethel  
President and CEO  
Healthcare Association of Hawaii

Re: **Testimony in Support**  
**GM 539, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Health Planning Council, Honolulu County Subarea, Gubernatorial Nominee, for a term to expire 06-30-2029**

The Healthcare Association of Hawaii (HAH), established in 1939, serves as the leading voice of healthcare on behalf of 170 member organizations who represent almost every aspect of the healthcare continuum in Hawaii. Members include acute care hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, home health agencies, hospices, assisted living facilities and durable medical equipment suppliers. In addition to providing access to appropriate, affordable, high-quality care to all of Hawaii's residents, our members contribute significantly to Hawaii's economy by employing over 30,000 people statewide.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony **in strong support** of Ms. Jodi Hashimoto's nomination to serve on the Health Planning Council, Honolulu County Subarea. Ms. Hashimoto is an exceptionally qualified candidate who possesses a deep knowledge and understanding of the healthcare industry, along with a level of analytical rigor that is unique.

Through her work with SH Consulting, she has been an invaluable partner to our organization, providing high-quality analysis that has directly informed policy development at both the state and federal levels. Her work helped support the development and advancement of federal legislation, including the PATCH Act, and she played a key role in strengthening our Healthcare Association of Hawaii workforce survey by ensuring the data was thoughtful, accurate, and actionable.

Ms. Hashimoto has a strong ability to translate complex data into clear insights that policymakers and stakeholders can use to make informed decisions. She approaches every project with professionalism, responsiveness, and a genuine commitment to improving healthcare systems and outcomes in Hawaii. Just as important, Jodi is a pleasure to work with.

Her expertise, integrity, and dedication to advancing healthcare in our state make her an outstanding candidate for this role. I respectfully urge your support for her appointment.