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Amy Asselbaye Nomination to the Board of Education

The Honorable Jill Tokuda, Chair Senate Committee on Education Hawaii State Capitol Honolulu, HI 96813

October 21, 2013

Dear Senator Tokuda,

In response to the Senate Education Committee Education questions for Board of Education nominees, please accept my answers below.

(1) Why did you decide to apply to serve on the BOE?

My interest in serving on the BOE is reflective of the path I have taken my entire adult life. I want to make a contribution to the programs and policies that can help to change our islands for the better. I am inspired by people I encounter and learn from everyday like Kukui Maunakea-Forth, Eric Enos and Candy Suiso. They all had a dream and despite the odds persevered and succeeded. On the BOE, I want to make sure our education policies encourage and support innovative leaders rather than tie them down with bureaucracy. In that way, we will support our students to follow their passion and contribute to humanity in a way they find meaningful.

My grandmother was a schoolteacher in a one-room schoolhouse. My mother was a librarian and my sister a teacher and professor. I would like to continue this family commitment by serving on the Board of Education.

I would also like to add that all three of my children have been in the public school system. My oldest son is a 9th grader at the University Lab School and my youngest son is in 3rd grade at Aina Haina Elementary. My daughter recently finished 5th grade at Aina Haina Elementary and due to her outstanding teachers, participation in the Student Council, School Chorus & Hula Halau, G&T, basketball team, and the DOE SPARK Academy (a school-year Saturday STEM program for selected students) was given a substantial scholarship to attend La Pietra School for Girls this year. Our family has an ongoing commitment to the public school system as well as an understanding of charter schools and now, the option presented by private single-sex schools.

(2) How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of individual members and the overall role of the BOE in regard to formulating statewide education policy and overseeing our public schools system and state libraries?

The overall role of the BOE is to guide education policy and provide oversight of the department's implementation of Federal, State and local initiatives. As an individual member, I need to develop a broad range of knowledge about education in the State

of Hawaii and seek out the latest innovations in policy. Because we are assigned committees in particular areas of strategic focus, I think it's important to acquire expertise in that area and to bring a body of experience to the discussion and decision making process.

(3) Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities of a member of the BOE, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise, experiences, or knowledge that would aid in your decision-making ability as a member of the BOE. Highlight the three qualities you feel make you a highly qualified candidate.

Passion and Optimism A quote from Ghandi perfectly reflects a philosophy I try to live up to everyday, "Be the change that you want to see in the world."

I try to behave and treat others in a compassionate way that reflects the care for others and the universe that I want my children to have. It's humbling and difficult and I make mistakes everyday. But it's a path I chose to become a better parent to my three children and join with others who believe that human beings can always learn more, find ways to have empathy for those we perceive as foes, and contribute in some small way to my home, neighborhood, island and State.

"In the present circumstances, no one can assume that someone else will solve their problems. Every individual has a responsibility to help guide our global family in the right direction. Good wishes are not sufficient; we must become actively engaged." Dalai Lama

Experience in policy making, oversight, and management For 19 years working for elected officials, I gained extensive experience in crafting federal and state legislation. My work also included providing oversight on the Federal agencies under the purview of Congressional committees and over State Agencies as Chief of Staff for the Governor of the State of Hawaii. I was also responsible for building and managing a staff of 18 to 50 people in these offices. I believe this background gives me a good perspective to work with the DOE on the challenges they face.

Work in the community My work at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center helps to inform my budding focus on the BOE. I serve as the Director of Strategic and Community Development where I have been reaching out to understand the needs of Leeward children and families for the purpose of improving the health and wellness of patients in our service area.

Additionally, I served three years as the Wailupe Elementary School, (SCC) School Community Council Chair and last year as the Parent Representative on the Aina Haina Elementary SCC. Serving on two SCCs has given me a better understanding of how school faculty, administration and community develop their academic and financial plans. And, it has really shown me how vital school-level communication is for both student achievement and parent commitment.

(4) What priorities do you feel are critical that the Board take up during the course of the next year term? What role do you see yourself playing in addressing these issues?

Now that a DOE-BOE Strategic Plan is in place, it is critical that the Board monitor the implementation of it. In addition, oversight of the many audit recommendations that are in various stages of follow-through is important to show that the Board is focused on system-wide improvement to derive value for students, teachers and the system from this process.

As the Vice Chair of the HR Committee on the BOE, our focus is on Goal 2, Staff Success, of the Strategic Plan. A significant measure of work in this area is reflected in the Scorecard's teacher and administrator evaluation. However, it is my personal experience that increasing opportunities for relevant faculty development, given the new contract between the State and HSTA, will go a long way towards improving morale and instruction in the classroom. I believe our BOE policies must reflect our respect for the dedicated professionals in our public schools. If we want to see student growth over time, we have to invest in personnel development.

Finally, my work at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center in Strategic and Community Development informs my view of public education from a grassroots health and wellness perspective. I am actively engaged in understanding and locally transforming the implementation of the "Wellness Policy in Hawaii Public Schools." From our school nutrition to physical activity guidelines, I am taking a deeper look at what can be done to replicate the successful models of wellness that already exist in many of our public schools.

(5) How do you feel individual members, and the Board as a whole, can improve stakeholder and community engagement in the formation of education policy?

I believe the Board Members can participate in grassroots and community events on public education, speak to education stakeholders they encounter in their daily lives, and actively seek out the input of experts and involved community members and organizations regarding topical BOE issues. The BOE as a whole may want to consider adjusting or rotating the time of day for Board meetings to allow for more public input, seek funding to hold regular Board meetings on all islands, and update the BOE website to create a more interactive tool for public updates and input.

(6) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interest that could arise during your service on the BOE? How would you overcome any possible conflicts of interest?

I don't see any conflicts of interest. However, if a conflict did arise, I would recuse myself from a vote on the issue.

Aloha,

Amy Asselbaye Amy Asselbaye

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Testimony



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Testimony in **support** of GM12 Confirmation of Amy Asselbaye Board of Education Governor Neil Abercrombie

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

> October 30, 2013 2:30 p.m. Room 414

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Kidani, and members of the Committee:

I respectfully ask for your favorable support of the nomination of Amy Asselbaye to the Board of Education. Ms. Asselbaye has worked for me for over eighteen years in both Washington, DC and here in Hawaii, and was my Chief of Staff both in Congress and here in the Governor's Office. I have no doubt in my mind of Amy's capacity to be a leader, ask the tough questions, consider all of the information, and provide valuable insight.

In addition to her professional skills in management and government policy, Amy has two children attending public school, demonstrating her belief in the value of our public education system.

Amy will make a great addition to the Board of Education and will help to forward the education of all of our children.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Hearing on Nominees to the Board of Education

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

> October 30, 2013 2:30 pm, Room 414

Aloha Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Kidani, and members of the Education Committee,

I offer this testimony in strong support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the Hawaii State Board of Education (BOE).

Amy served as my Chief-of-Staff when I started my Congressional term. Her managerial skill as well as her two decades of policy experience in service to the people of Hawaii were a great asset as I began my term. Amy is knowledgeable in a wide range of topics and understands all facets of state and federal government operations. Moreover, she is able to translate that knowledge into practical suggestions and ideas to achieve a desired outcome. I know she is especially devoted to issues involving children, particularly in health and education.

In addition to her policy expertise and familiarity with government, she is a highly dedicated and motivated individual. She is able to logically plot the necessary steps to reach an objective and her strong motivation for results ensures that she will achieve her goal. Moreover, she possesses a sense of fairness and even handedness that speaks to her desire to do what is right.

Amy is a capable manager, intelligent judge of policy, and a mother of children in the state education system. She has the skills and motivation to be a tremendous asset and would be provide excellent service in the Hawaii State BOE. I urge you to approve her nomination. Mahalo for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Member of Congress



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Senate Committee on Education

Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chairperson Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chairperson

Testimony of Donald G. Horner, Chairperson

Confirmation of Amy Asselbaye to the State of Hawaii Board of Education

Dear Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Kidani and members of the Committee:

On behalf of the Board of Education, I am pleased to support the confirmation of Amy Asselbaye to the State of Hawaii Board of Education (the "*Board*").

During our first two years, the appointed Board has worked collaboratively with the Department of Education (the "*Department*") to create a strategic plan that has provided much needed prioritization, fiscal restraint and effective support of student achievement.

The Board is now working to ensure that it appropriately monitors the strategic plan initiatives. Amy will play a key role in ensuring that the Board is able to exercise the proper guidance, support and oversight. Amy was elected by the Board to serve as the vice-chairperson of the Human Resource committee. With her extensive background in government operations and management, she has already proven to be an asset.

She is also a member of the Student Achievement committee which is responsible for monitoring and supporting the Department's student achievement goals. As part of that work, she has also joined the Career and Technical Education Coordinating Advisory Council which is responsible for evaluating the use of federal monies for state career and technical education programs both at the Department and at the University of Hawaii. These programs have been instrumental in engaging our students and ensuring that they are prepared for life after high school.

Amy brings a wealth of knowledge and practical wisdom to the workings of the Board. I encourage you to confirm Amy's nomination.



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In reply, please refer to:

WRITTEN TESTIMONY

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

GM12, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Testimony of Loretta J. Fuddy, A.C.S.W., M.P.H. Director of Health

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- 1 Department's Position: The Department of Health (DOH) supports the confirmation of Amy
- 2 Asselbaye to the Board of Education.
- **3 Fiscal Implications:**

None

- 4 Purpose and Justification: The purpose of this hearing is to consider the background,
- 5 experience, and qualifications of Gubernatorial nominee to the Board of Education, Amy Asselbaye.
- 6 The Department of Health recommends the confirmation of Mrs. Asselbaye based on her involvement in
- 7 numerous strategic alliances to support student academic achievement while also addressing student
- 8 health needs. Mrs. Asselbaye has demonstrated leadership with the Waianae Coast Comprehensive
- 9 Health Center, in the political realm, and as a parent of children attending Hawaii's public schools.
- 10 Recently, Mrs. Asselbaye has become an active member of the Childhood Obesity Prevention Taskforce
- and has provided important insight into the connections between health care providers, public education
- institutions, and public health policy. Mrs. Asselbaye would be an excellent addition to the Board of

- Education and provide a unique perspective on the connection between student educational and health
- 2 outcomes.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Reginald Castanares, I am the Business Manager, Financial Secretary for the UNITED ASSOCIATION OF PLUMBERS AND FITTERS OF HAWAII, Local 675.

The 2,000 plus working men and women of the Plumbing, Pipefitting, Air Conditioning, and Fire Sprinkler construction and building trades industry in Hawaii are committed to supporting our Public Education programs.

Thus I consider it a great honor to submit testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I have known Amy for a number of years and have had the opportunity to work very closely with her on many important issues that have had a direct impact on the lives of Hawaii's blue collar families. I have been impressed with her abilities as an accomplished professional and her unique skills as a consensus builder on important issues in our community.

I am completely confident in her abilities and given her proven track record and dedication to making Hawaii a better place, I know Amy will be a good addition to the BOE.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Patrick Zukemura Oahu Lead Organizer

Ms. Kim Harman Maui Lead Organizer Senator Tokuda and Committee members thank you for the chance to testify today.

I am excited about and in strong support of Amy Asselbaye's nomination to the Hawaii Board of Education. Over the last seven years I have gotten to work with Ms. Asselbaye in several capacities. For example during the effort to protect Kukui Gardens Amy was a consistent and strong advocate, with a balanced view of the problem. Later at the Governor's office she helped navigate the difficult challenges posed by writing new and fairer foreclosure laws. Finally she took time as she was setting up Congresswoman's Gabbard's Hawaii office to help launch the Wahiawa Community Health Clinic.

Each of these things was informed by foresight and handled with honesty, confidence and good humor. Those qualities are rare enough in the best of times, but Amy Asselbaye exhibits them even under pressure and even when we had sharp disagreements. Her understanding of governance, business and most importantly the struggles ordinary people have in Hawaii will be useful to the Board, the DOE, teachers, and most importantly to the public school parents and students.

While FACE appreciates enormously the work of this Education committee we recognize that the problems of Hawaii schools remain very serious. Our schools are struggling. We mostly do not measure up to other states, and the system is still failing at providing equal opportunity to our young people. Worse this failure is tainted by an endemic racism that is letting Pacific Islanders down almost across the board.

I know that the current Board has made improvements on some of these things, and is working hard on doing more. I have some sense of how hard that must be. Putting Amy Asselbaye on the BOE is one more step forward towards delivering on the promise to improve these schools. You can count on her.

FACE whole heartedly supports this nomination. Mahalo for the work of this committee, and thanks again for letting us testify.



Testimony
State Senate Committee on Education
Conference Room 414 State Capitol
October 30, 2013
1:30 p.m.

Dear Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

This testimony is in support of the appointment of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education.

While Ms. Asselbaye served as the former Chief Advisor for Congressman Neil Abercrombie and former Chief of Staff for Governor Abercrombie, I worked with her on issues relating to public education, ranging from preschool reform through integrating K-12 education into preparation for community college, baccalaureate degrees, and the research efforts of the University of Hawaii. Ms. Asselbaye is well versed in the wide spectrum of topics governing public education at all levels, and especially with those of federal and state initiatives directed at improving the quality of primary and secondary education of the children of Hawaii.

She is an articulate and dedicated advocate for *public education*, even as she understands the special role that private education has played in our state. She recognizes that for our society to be successful the vast majority of our citizens must rely upon a strong system of public education, and we must do more to advance the successful participation of all students in our public education institutions. For these reasons, Amy Asselbaye is an outstanding nominee for the Board of Education, and she has my unconditional support.

I encourage your support as well for Ms. Asselbaye's confirmation, and the affirmative vote of the Senate Education Committee in its report to the Senate.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. Musto, Ph.D. Executive Director

> UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII PROFESSIONAL ASSEMBLY



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TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

RE: GM12 – Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation to the Board of Education, Gubernatorial Nominee, AMY ASSELBAYE, for a term to expire 6-30-16

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Kidani, and the members of the committee,

My name is Robert Witt and I am executive director of the Hawaii Association of Independent Schools (HAIS), which represents 99 private and independent schools in Hawaii and educates over 33,000 students statewide.

I am writing in **strong support** of Amy Asselbaye's confirmation to the Board of Education.

Prior to her work as the Director of Strategic and Community Development at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center and owning a small business, Amy served as the Hawaii-based chief of staff for Representative Tulsi Gabbard and as longtime aide to Gov. Neil Abercrombie in Congress and at the State Capitol. Her breadth of experience in the civil sector will make her an excellent candidate for the Board of Education.

I strongly urge you to confirm Amy Asselbaye to the Board of Education. The Board and the State of Hawaii will be well served by her participation.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

I am submitting testimony **in support** of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

My name is Richard Bettini and I am the President and Chief Executive Officer at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center.

I have known Amy for many years based on our close work with our congressional delegation in Washington, DC., and during her work within the Governor's office.

Based on her skills, we were pleased that she accepted a position with our organization as we needed her expertise for our strategic development process.

She is a respected member of our leadership team who we value for her objectivity, broad scope of experiences, creative and energetic approaches, calm and positive demeanor, and more. I see this as a definite asset to her role on the BOE.

I strongly support her nomination.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard P. Bettini, MPH, MS

President and Chief Executive Officer



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Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Vija Sehgal and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I am a pediatrician and the Chief Quality Officer at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center and have had the pleasure of working with Amy over the course of the past two years. I believe Amy will be an extraordinary addition to the BOE based not only on her many years of experience in both state and national government but because of her demonstrated passion regarding the education of Hawaii's youth.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration.

Sincerely

Vija Sehgal MD, PhD, MPH Chief Quality Officer

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Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Joyce O'Brien and I am the Executive Vice-President at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center.

I am submitting testimony **in support** of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I have worked closely with Amy over the period of her work with our Health Center.

I have the utmost respect for Amy. Her integrity, wisdom, sensitivity to the needs of the community, respect for the processes in working with community or within organizations has been a valuable asset to the Health Center in our work related to strategic planning and development of community initiatives addressing health and wellness.

I am confident that Amy will be an effective, and significant, member of the BOE.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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From: Mike Maberry <kilokilo@hawaiiantel.net>
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2013 5:26 AM

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State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

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Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Michael Maberry and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I am the Assistant Director of the University of Hawaii, Institute for Astronomy and I know Amy due to the many years she worked for Congressman Abercrombie as a key policy advisor. In my experience, I believe Amy can be a good addition to the BOE because she has a thorough understanding of education from K through college degree and she appreciates the importance of STEM in core. Amy is a quick read, detail orientated, and extremely ethical. I strongly support her nomination.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Karey Kapoi and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I am an Administrative Services Officer at Maui Memorial Medical Center and I know Amy through her work with Governor Abercrombie. In my experience, I believe Amy is a good addition to the BOE because she is intelligent, pragmatic, capable, and above all else committed to the long-term success of our school system. In my experience working with Amy, she possesses a very rare ability to objectively analyze issues from every perspective and work towards the best solution.

Amy has two children in public school, and is keenly aware of the strengths and challenges facing today's students. I firmly believe Amy will work with her colleagues to continue to improve our school system to best prepare our kids with a stronger foundation for success. I believe Amy's 20 years of public service, and her added perspective as a parent will make her a strong advocate for our keiki, and it gives me peace of mind to know that someone with her ability is being considered for this seat.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached at (808) 870-5171 or via email at karey@myislandsoul.com

Sincerely,

Karey K. Kapoi

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Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Dr. Raymond Jardine Jr. and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

It is my honor to recommend to you Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE). I have known Amy for over 10 years and I have had the privilege of interacting with her often over that period of time. She is a person of unquestionable integrity, character and exceptional dedication. Without question her experience and keen sense of what is right along with her background will be a valuable asset to the BOE. Her work ethics, devotion to duty, enthusiasm and optimism is an awesome combination we must take full advantage of. Her critical and cognition thinking skills is necessary when it comes to making quality decisions for the State of Hawaii Board of Education.

With my service in the military of 33+ years ending as the Deputy Commander of the 29th Enhance Separate Infantry Brigade (Light) and now since 2005 as the owner of Native Hawaiian Veterans LLC, I have been around many leaders and critical thinker, both good and bad. My interactions with Amy place her in the realm of a quality critical thinker that does the right thing. Her dedication to Hawaii and the community is most noteworthy. She continuous to give back to the community as a public servant and as a volunteer. She currently works at the on the Wai'anae Coast Comprehensive Health Center as the Director of Strategic and Community Development. Amy is always prepared when she enters a meeting and extensively researches her topic. I have enjoyed many discussions with Amy on how to improve the conditions for the community and Hawaii. Her critical thinking is actually what we need in on the BOE. I find her to be a fair person with principles of character to do what is right!

Amy will make an effective leader dealing with the complex challenges of our educational system. She is the right person, at the right time, to provide guidance and vision for our educational system. Her experience, leadership style and the ability to foster a collaborative environment is the right mix for such a critical position.

It is my honor to recommend to you this exceptional passionate leader. She will without a doubt serve the State of Hawaii well.

Sincerely,

Hon. Raymond Jardine Jr., MS, MSS, DBA

Chairman & CEO, Native Hawaiian Veterans, LLC (Hawaii New Small Business of the Year 2010)

Chairman, Kina'ole Foundation

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Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Ginger Fuata and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I am a Community Builder Facilitator at Queen Lili'uokalani Children's Center in Waianae and I know Amy due to my serving on the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center Board of Directors. In my experience, I believe Amy can be a good addition to the BOE because she of her experience and knowledge that she brings.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ginger Fuata

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Erin Conner

From: Moana Yost <myost@hawaii.rr.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2013 2:42 PM

To: EDU Testimony

Subject: Testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for BOE Oahu Seat

Dear Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

This email serves as my testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the State of Hawaii, Board of Education (BOE), Oahu seat. I am an attorney in Honolulu, Hawaii, and I know Amy through our children who attended and currently attend Aina Haina School. I believe Amy would be a superb addition to the BOE because she has proven herself to be a community leader, listener and problem solver. Amy truly cares about our State's education, and I believe Amy's professional and personal experiences give Amy the qualifications to serve on the BOE. Amy will be a great asset to the BOE and to the State of Hawaii's public schools.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

> Subject: Senate Education Committee Hearing on Nominee to the Board of Education

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Kidani, and members of the Senate Education Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to submit my testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye.

My name is Alan Hayashi and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye, candidate for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I am an Oahu resident and I have known Amy Asselbaye for over 10 years due to my position as Director of Public Relations for BAE Systems (Hawaii). I have known Amy in her roles as Chief of Staff for Cong. Neil Abercrombie (Washington DC), and later as Chief of Staff for Governor Abercrombie (Hawaii). I have also known her in her personal life as a wife, mother, and strong public advocate for good governance.

In the years I have known Amy, she has always been committed to the people, our local culture, and the lands of the State of Hawaii. She has an excellent value system and believes the children of Hawaii are our future! I believe Amy can be an excellent addition to the BOE because she is a quick learner, highly ethical, and will do what is best for the children's future and the State of Hawaii.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Kidani, and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration. All best wishes!

Sincerely,

Alan S. Hayashi 201-7 Kawaihae Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF THE NOMINATION OF AMY ASSELBAYE TO THE HAWAII BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani and Members of the Committee on Education,

My name is Noelani Kalipi and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I have known and worked with Amy for the past fourteen years. We first worked together as staffers for the Hawaii Congressional delegation in Washington, DC, and we have continued to collaborate on a number of issues since moving our families back to Hawaii.

Amy is dedicated, focused, and able to see the big picture. She excels at assessing situations, analyzing resources and opportunities, and developing practical strategies that can be implemented in accountable and measurable ways. She works collaboratively with others and is able to keep team members focused on the tasks to be accomplished.

She will be a tremendous asset as a Member of the Hawaii Board of Education and I respectfully request that you approve her nomination.

Sincerely,

D. Noelani Kalipi 808-285-2191

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October 22, 2013

Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Sunshine Topping and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I am a graduate of Hawaii's Public School System, and mother to two Public School Students. As such, I have a vested interest in a board that will best serve the educational needs of my keiki, and my State. Furthermore, as the Director of Recruitment for Hawaiian Airlines, it is critically important to me that we at the State level are able to educate and guide a strong future workforce.

I have known Amy for many years, and even worked for her for a year when she served as the Honorable Governor Abercrombie's Chief of Staff. She is devoted, intelligent, and passionate about this State, and our educational programs. I am confident that if she is confirmed to the board she will provide excellent perspective on policy, creative ways to look at age old issues, and an energy and enthusiasm that will help craft the future of Hawaii's public education programs.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Sunshine Pualani Topping

Sunshine Pualani Topping

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October 23, 2013

Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Cody Kikuta and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I am a parent who has served with Amy as parent representative on the Aina Haina Elementary School's School Community Council (AHS SCC). In my experience, I believe Amy can be a good addition to the BOE because she has proven her ability to be a servant leader on the AHS SCC. She is an active listener who considers various perspectives and is confident in weighing in on issues that will impact ALL students. Her heart and commitment is to improving education and supporting all students to achieve their goals. Amy is knowledgeable about the broad aspects that drive school and systemic improvement. She would be a valuable addition to the Board of Education.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Cody Kikuta

October 25, 2013

Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Joshua Wisch, and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I am an attorney, a member of the Hawaii Bar, and currently serving as a member of the State of Hawaii, Department of Taxation (DOTAX). Prior to my role at DOTAX, I also served in the State of Hawaii, Department of the Attorney General. I am submitting this testimony in support of Amy in my personal capacity, and not as a representative of the Abercrombie Administration.

I have known Amy for approximately ten years. I first got to know her when I was interning for Congresswoman Patsy Mink in Washington, D.C., and Amy was working for then-Congressman Neil Abercrombie. We stayed in touch over the years, and I subsequently had the good fortune of getting to work with her again when I joined the staff of Congresswoman Mazie Hirono and we worked together as fellow congressional staffers. I was happy to continue working with her when we both served together in the Abercrombie Administration.

I learned a tremendous amount just by observing Amy. Her command of a broad array of issues, her willingness to ask incisive and challenging questions, her dedication to follow-through, and her attention to detail set a great example and a high bar for those of us who worked with her. And while Amy's work ethic and diligence could sometimes by downright intimidating, what really made her stand out was her unfailing ability to take her work seriously, but not herself. She was always approachable, consistently willing to share her expertise and advice, and constantly willing to do whatever work needed to be done, even if it was technically below her pay grade. Quite simply, she set a sterling example for all the right reasons.

Somehow, between serving as Congressman Abercrombie, Governor Abercrombie, and Congresswoman Gabbard's Chief of Staff, Amy has also managed to raise three amazing kids (all in public school), while serving on various School Community Councils, helping her wonderful and entrepreneurial husband start-up and run his coffee shop in Hawaii Kai, and maintain such a punishing workout regime that it puts the rest of us to shame. Amy knows how to successfully multi-task and still maintain a balanced, successful, and happy life like few people I know.

Amy has dedicated her life to public service, and specifically to public service in Hawaii. She's brilliant, she's focused, and she'd be a tremendous addition to the Board of Education. I highly recommend her.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration.

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October 25, 2013

Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Carla Zeppieri and I am writing to submit testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I am a corporate government relations specialist and know Amy from our time working together for then-Congressman Neil Abercrombie. I believe Amy can be a good addition to the BOE due to her experience, passion, and excellent work ethic. As long as I have known Amy, she has been engaged in Hawaii's education issues, on both a professional and a personal level. Her long career in public service, as well as her current work at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center, underscores her unparalleled commitment to Hawaii and the local community. In addition, her years spent managing people and resources have well equipped her to help guide and oversee the choices faced by the education system. I am confident that Amy Asselbaye will prove a valuable member of the BOE.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration of this letter of support.

Sincerely,

Carla N. Zeppieri

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October 21, 2013

Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Dr. Raymond Jardine Jr. and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

It is my honor to recommend to you Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE). I have known Amy for over 10 years and I have had the privilege of interacting with her often over that period of time. She is a person of unquestionable integrity, character and exceptional dedication. Without question her experience and keen sense of what is right along with her background will be a valuable asset to the BOE. Her work ethics, devotion to duty, enthusiasm and optimism is an awesome combination we must take full advantage of. Her critical and cognition thinking skills is necessary when it comes to making quality decisions for the State of Hawaii Board of Education.

With my service in the military of 33+ years ending as the Deputy Commander of the 29th Enhance Separate Infantry Brigade (Light) and now since 2005 as the owner of Native Hawaiian Veterans LLC, I have been around many leaders and critical thinker, both good and bad. My interactions with Amy place her in the realm of a quality critical thinker that does the right thing. Her dedication to Hawaii and the community is most noteworthy. She continuous to give back to the community as a public servant and as a volunteer. She currently works at the on the Wai'anae Coast Comprehensive Health Center as the Director of Strategic and Community Development. Amy is always prepared when she enters a meeting and extensively researches her topic. I have enjoyed many discussions with Amy on how to improve the conditions for the community and Hawaii. Her critical thinking is actually what we need in on the BOE. I find her to be a fair person with principles of character to do what is right!

Amy will make an effective leader dealing with the complex challenges of our educational system. She is the right person, at the right time, to provide guidance and vision for our educational system. Her experience, leadership style and the ability to foster a collaborative environment is the right mix for such a critical position.

It is my honor to recommend to you this exceptional passionate leader. She will without a doubt serve the State of Hawaii well.

Sincerely,

Hon. Raymond Jardine Jr., MS, MSS, DBA

Chairman & CEO, Native Hawaiian Veterans, LLC (Hawaii New Small Business of the Year 2010)

Chairman, Kina'ole Foundation

State of Hawaii Senate Committee on Education

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October 29, 2013

Dear Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is May Okihiro and I am very pleased to submit this testimony in strong support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education.

As a pediatrician at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center, a clinical researcher and advocate for children's health in Hawaii, I am very aware of the complexities involved in student achievement, health and wellness. In our clinic, we see daily examples of children and adolescents who are struggling with health issues such as obesity, pre-diabetes, uncontrolled asthma and mental health disorders. These children often come from families impacted by housing and financial challenges, domestic violence and adult mental illness. Needless to say, most of these children are not doing well in school.

This year, I have had the privilege of working with Amy in her role as the Director of Strategic and Community Development at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center. As we've explored ways to address health with community partners, we've naturally explored the interface of education, health and community. I have been impressed at Amy's willingness to listen, absorb and remember important points to discussions. She is a keen observer who is able to keep track of the nuances and the "big picture" of multi-faceted problems, such as chronic absenteeism. Amy also understands the need and value of empowering the community to become part of the solution.

In light of the marked educational and health disparities in many of our communities in Hawaii, it is imperative that Board of Education includes members dedicated and knowledgeable about children and families, education as well as health and wellness. Amy will bring those qualities to the Board through her (1) Extensive past experience working with Hawaii's elected officials (2) Current work in West Oahu with WCCHC, community and healthcare organizations (3) Experiences as a mother of three children who attend Hawaii's public schools (4) Ongoing experiences as a school volunteer and; (5) Keen interest in personal and public health.

Amy has shown her commitment to serving Hawaii's children and families and, if appointed, will undoubtedly become a very valuable member of the Hawaii's Board of Education. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

May Okihiro, MD MS

Assistant Professor, University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine

Department of Pediatrics

Pediatrician, Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center

Hearing on Nominees to the Board of Education

SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

October 30, 2013 2:30 pm, Room 414

Aloha Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Kidani, and members of the Education Committee,

My name is Wendy Clerinx and I am writing to state my <u>strong support</u> for the nomination of Amy Asselbaye to the Hawaii State Board of Education.

I have worked with Amy for more than ten years. In all that time, she has been a consummate professional as well as an excellent manager. The most memorable characteristic about Amy, however, is her depth of knowledge on every conceivable topic. Her experience in dealing with policy for the last 20 years has given her a store of information that can only benefit whatever organization she chooses to work or volunteer for. I have no doubt that this unique repository of information will be of great assistance the State Board of Education.

In the decade I was lucky enough to work with Amy, I got to know her quite well. She is an honest and reasonable individual. She works well with other people and communicates openly. Moreover, I have always been impressed with her ability to balance her work and personal life so that she could remain involved in the education and activities of her three children. She is extremely active in ensuring that her children's education is suited to them and that they have the best opportunities possible. I have no doubt that she will carry this drive and motivation to a position on the Board and will actively work to see that all the children of Hawaii are afforded the best education the state can give them.

I have the utmost confidence that Amy will be an excellent member of the Hawaii State Board of Education and I hope that you support her nomination.

Mahalo,

Wendy Cletin

Erin Conner

From: ginozak@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 2:50 PM

To: EDU Testimony **Subject:** Amy Asselbaye

I am in strong support for Amy Asselbaye for a position on the Board of Education. I have known Amy for many years when she was the chief of staff for Governor Neil Abercrombie. She will listen and work on behalf of public school students and parents. I urge you to confirm her nomination.

Karen Ginoza Past President, Hawaii State Teachers Association Cell: (808) 227-7804 ginozak@aol.com

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October 30, 2013

Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Anthony Ching and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

I am a legislative assistant and I have worked with Amy in various work capacities over the last six years, in which we have worked on education issues, occasionally. In my experience, I believe Amy would be a beneficial addition to the BOE because she is a problem-solver and will keep Hawaii's students at the forefront of her decision-making. Also, I believe that being the mother of school-aged children gives her an important point of view that will play an important role on the BOE. She will be able to understand the concerns of the families whose children attend Hawaii's public schools. I would give Amy my unconditional recommendation.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Anthony Ching

From: Patrick Williams
To: EDU Testimony

Subject: Testimony supporting Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat of the state BOE

Date: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 8:38:53 AM

October 30, 2013

Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Kidani,

My name is Patrick Williams. I strongly support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the state of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE).

The people of Hawaii will be fortunate to have Amy on the BOE. Her time as a chief of staff with Governor Neil Abercrombie gives her the experience to navigate Hawaii's complex state government bureaucracy. She knows how to get things done.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration.

Patrick Williams

808-256-718

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2:30 pm Hearing regarding **General Message 12**Appointment to the State of Hawaii Board of Education

October 30, 2013

Aloha Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Kidani, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Tammi Chun, and I am submitting testimony in strong support of **Amy Asselbaye** for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE) for a term ending June 30, 2016.

I have known Amy for approximately ten years as a colleague and as a fellow parent with children of Aina Haina Elementary School. I first met Amy when she was Chief of Staff for U.S. Congressman Neil Abercrombie where we coordinated on college access and other education matters when I was Hawaii P-20 Executive Director and GEAR UP (federal program) State Director. Then during the Abercrombie Administration, Amy was Chief of Staff, and I served as the Governor's education policy advisor as Policy Analyst; I reported to Amy, and we collaborated on developing the Governor's education agenda and strategy for addressing challenging education issues. Subsequently, Amy was Chief of Staff to U.S. Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard where Amy coordinated newly reorganized Hawaii congressional delegation staff in learning about and supporting Hawaii's education agenda and support Hawaii's Race to the Top grant with the U.S. Department of Education during high risk status which the U.S. Department of Education lifted in July 2013.

Amy brings a valuable perspective to the Board of Education. She understands both the big picture and reality of our schools and families. Amy has 17 years of federal service, leading congressional offices. Amy's experience provides a broad perspective on issues in the context of national concerns and from a range of stakeholders who express their desires and concerns to state state's congressional leaders.

Amy is also grounded in the needs of the school and community. She is a small business owner, and she is active in our neighborhood school. Amy is the mother of three school age children. Amy served on the School Community Council at Wailupe Valley Elementary School during the Wailupe-Aina Haina consolidation and, until her appointment to Board of Education, on the School Community Council at Aina Haina Elementary School. At meetings, Amy speaks with urgency about meeting needs of children and well-balanced opportunities that include arts and world language. Recently at Aina Haina Elementary School, Amy has been a persistent advocate of prioritizing implementation of the International Baccalaureate Primary Years program. She understands the busy realities facing Hawaii's families: work, family, school, parenting, and supporting children's extra-

curricular activities such as providing healthy snacks for her children's sports teams (which I am familiar with since Amy and my son were on the same I9 flag football team).

Finally, Amy is courageous. She listens to information and opinions and considers data. She is unafraid to ask challenging questions, which I have observed her doing as the Governor's Chief of Staff and at the Aina Haina School Community Council. Amy makes decisions, and she acts with urgency, understanding the need to address current needs of children who are in our school system, and investing in future needs.

I urge you to confirm Amy Asselbaye for the Board of Education. Thank you for your consideration.

October 30, 2013

The Honorable Jill N. Tokuda Chair, Senate Committee on Education Conference Room 414 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: Letter of Support for Amy Asselbaye

Before the Senate Committee on Education

Dear Chairwoman Tokuda, Vice Chair Kidani and Members of the Senate Committee on Education,

My name is Sharilynn Carter and I am submitting testimony in support of Amy Asselbaye for the Oahu seat on the State of Hawaii Board of Education (BOE). I am writing as a parent of two children who attend public school and are impacted by the decisions of the BOE daily.

Currently, I am employed by the State of Hawaii as the Administrative Services Officer for Lieutenant Governor Shan Tsutsui. I met Amy several years ago when she was the Chief of Staff for then Congressman Neil Abercrombie. I had the pleasure of working directly with Amy when I was hired as the Office Manager for Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard's District Office. In my experience, I believe Amy would be a great addition to the BOE because of her extensive experience as a public servant. As the Chief of Staff for Congresswoman Gabbard's Office, Amy helped craft and oversaw all policy directives. She implemented an effective constituent outreach strategy and provided leadership and guidance for all staff. Additionally, as a parent of children who attend Aina Haina School, I saw Amy as a committed Parent Representative on the School Community Council and how our Aina Haina School community benefited from her participation and contributions. This role gave her insight on how school faculty, administration and community develop their academic and financial plans. In working with Amy, I have been privileged to witness both her passion and dedication to her children and to the people of Hawaii. I believe she will be a tremendous asset to the BOE and I strongly support her nomination.

Thank you, Chair Tokuda and Members of the Senate Education Committee, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Sharilyon Carter
Sharilyon Carter

Erin Conner

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 9:09 AM

To: EDU Testimony
Cc: Lon Paresa

Subject: Submitted testimony for GM12 on Oct 30, 2013 14:30PM (Written Only)

GM12

Submitted on: 10/29/2013

Testimony for on Oct 30, 2013 14:30PM in Conference Room 414

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person	
Lon	Individual	Support	No	

Comments: I wholeheartedly support Amy. She would be an asset to the Board.

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Erin Conner

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Sent: Saturday, October 26, 2013 9:47 PM

To: EDU Testimony

Cc: eric4senate@gmail.com

Subject: Submitted testimony for GM12 on Oct 30, 2013 14:30PM (Written Only)

GM12

Submitted on: 10/26/2013

Testimony for on Oct 30, 2013 14:30PM in Conference Room 414

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testifying in Person
Eric Marshall	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: She is a political crony and was a campaign staffer for Abercrombie with no education background or credentials. Auwe Governor we the people want every day non-political BOE appointments and not those seeking cushy payoffs for their loyal campaigning. Political cronyism is not in the best interest of the keiki of Hawai'i nei.

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