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Testimony Is Directed To: Senate Committee on Human Services and Housing

Measure: GM668: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, Gubernatorial Nominee, PATRICK DUARTE, for a term to expire 6-30-2017.

Date & Time of Hearing: Thursday, April 16, 2015, 1:15 p. m.

Position: The Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs strongly supports the nomination of PATRICK DUARTE to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs.

Dear Chair Chun-Oakland, Vice Chair Green, and Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Human Services and Housing:

I am Gary Simon, member of the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs (PABEA), which is an appointed board tasked with advising the Executive Office on Aging (EOA).

I am testifying as an individual who has worked in healthcare for over twenty-seven years, and I am offering testimony on behalf of PABEA.

My testimony does not represent the views of the EOA but of PABEA.

PABEA wholeheartedly supports the nomination of Patrick Duarte to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs.

As the Chief Executive Officer of Kahala Nui, Pat has successfully promoted and implemented the highest quality of care, comfort, and safety for the residents of Kahala Nui. Pat is a leader in Hawaii's long term care community.

We urge you to support Pat's nomination and to recommend his confirmation.

Very sincerely,  
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