

GM778

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Health Connector, Gubernatorial Nominee, RICHARD KEENE, for a term to expire 6-30-2018.

Report Title: Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Health Connector

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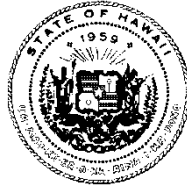
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4/16/2015	S	The committee(s) on CPN has scheduled a public hearing on 04-22-15 8:30AM in conference room 016.



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April 21, 2015

TO: The Honorable Rosalyn H Baker, Chair
The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

FROM: Rachael Wong, DrPH, Director

SUBJECT: **GM 778** - Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Health Connector, Gubernatorial Nominee, RICHARD KEENE, for a term to expire 6-30-2018.

**Hearing: Wednesday, April 22, 2015; 8:30 a.m.
Conference Room 016, State Capitol**

I am writing in **strong support** of the confirmation of Richard Keene to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Health Connector (HHC). Rick brings a strong background in finance, organizational leadership, healthcare, and non-profit governance.

The Department of Human Services (DHS) provides empowering programs, services, and benefits to those in our community who are vulnerable with the goals of expanding their capacity for self-sufficiency, self-determination, independence, healthy choices, quality of life, and personal dignity. The well-being of our children, families, and *kupuna* is directly connected to the social determinants of health: education, transportation, access to healthcare, housing, job opportunities, environment, jobs, and access to quality healthcare. The Hawai'i Health Connector's efforts are directly connected to our work at DHS, and we are glad to partner with it in this shared work.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony. Please do not hesitate to contact me for additional information.



The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President, Hawaii State Senate

The Honorable Rosalyn Baker
Chair, Senate Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Re: Hawaii Health Connector Board support for confirmation of Richard Keene.

Hearing scheduled for April 22, at 8:30 p.m. in Conference Room 016

Senate President Kim, Chair Baker, and honorable members of the Senate,

My name is Jeff Kissel, Executive Director of the Hawai'i Health Connector (the "Connector"), speaking on behalf of the Connector and its Board of Directors ("Board"). We have reviewed Mr. Keen's qualifications and are familiar with his contributions to the community.

As of April 22, 2015, the Board currently has three vacancies. In addition, at the end of June 2015, the term of several other members will expire. As such, the Connector may not be able to conduct regular business without a sufficient number of voting members being appointed with Senate confirmation and participating regularly at public meetings.

Therefore, the Connector's Board appreciates the Senate's consideration of the appointment of Mr. Keene and the extensive health care experience he could bring to the Board.



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April 21, 2015

Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
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Re: Richard C. Keene Nomination GM778

Committee Members:

This letter is in support of the nomination of Rick Keene to serve on the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Connector.

Rick has significant business and healthcare experience, which provides him an excellent background to serve as a member of this Board. I have worked extensively with Rick during the start-up of a new business and as a fellow member of the Board of Directors of JDRE. From a first-hand perspective, I found Rick to have solid business knowledge and to be an effective nonprofit board member.

I believe that Rick is an outstanding candidate to become a member of the Board of the Hawaii Health Connector and I support his nomination.

Sincerely,

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April 21, 2015

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Re: Richard C. Keene Nomination GM778

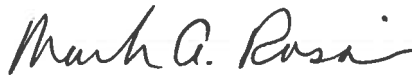
Dear Committee Members:

This letter is in support of the nomination of Rick Keene to serve on the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Connector.

I worked with Rick when he was the Chief Financial Officer at Bank of Hawaii Corporation. He has significant finance experience and was an effective member of the management Team of the Bank of Hawaii. He also has significant healthcare experience through his role at The Queen's Health Systems. His background provides an excellent basis to serve as a member of this Board.

I believe that Rick is an outstanding candidate to become a member of the Board of the Hawaii Health Connector, and I support his nomination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark A. Rossi". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Mark A. Rossi
Vice Chairman, Bank of Hawaii

April 14, 2105

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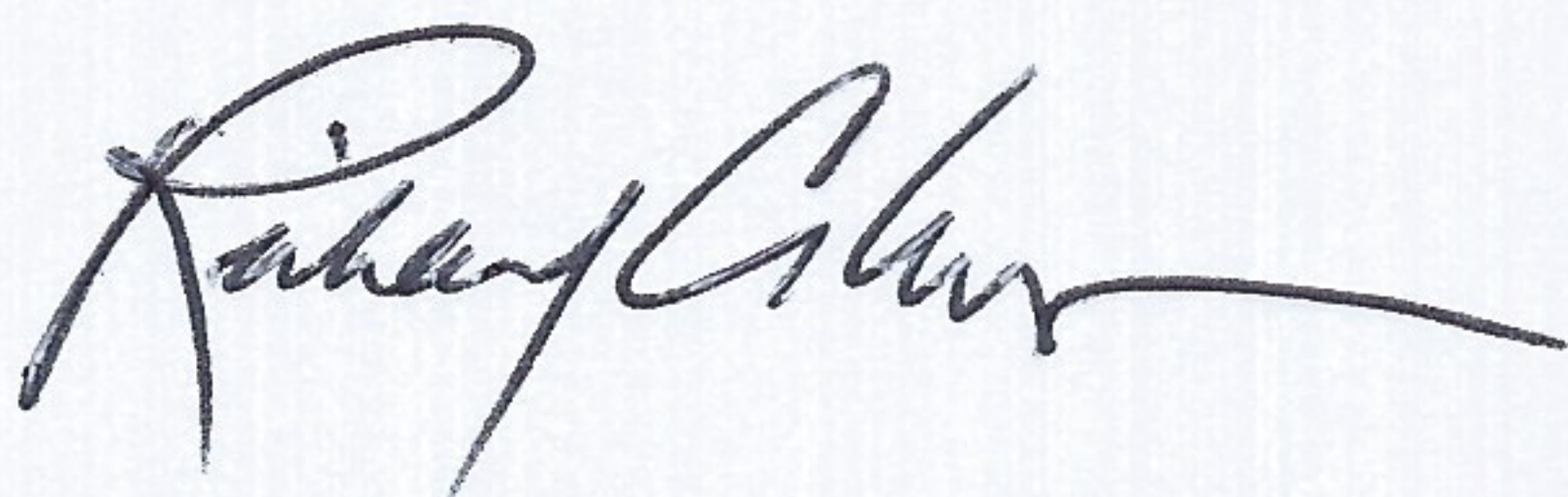
Aloha Committee Members:

This letter is to express my desire and willingness to serve on the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Connector.

My business and healthcare experience will enable me to effectively serve as a member of this Board. During my career, I have held management positions in both publicly traded companies and a large non-profit organization, including the positions of Chief Financial Officer of The Queen's Health Systems and of Bank of Hawaii Corporation. In addition, I have served on several non-profit boards, including my current board positions with JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) and the Kalihi-Palama Health Center.

I believe that serving on the Board of the Hawaii Health Connector will provide me the opportunity to serve a community need while utilizing my business and healthcare experience. Access to affordable health care is essential to everyone in the community and the Connector will play an important role in providing that access.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard C Keene', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Richard C Keene