Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Chair Senator Breene Harimoto, Vice-Chair Senate Committee on Education

Re:

GM 782, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Education, Gubernatorial Nominee, HUBERT P. MINN, for a term to expire 6-30-2018

Friday, April 17, 2015 1:15pm Conference Room 229 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Chair Kidani, Vice-Chair Harimoto, Members of the Senate Committee on Education:

My name is Rus Murakami, Hawaii Area General Manager of Service Systems Associates. We operate retail stores at Honolulu Zoo, Hanauma Bay, and USS Missouri.

On behalf of our organization, I am testifying in support of GM 782, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Education, Gubernatorial Nominee, HUBERT P. MINN, for a term to expire 6-30-2018.

When Mr. Minn held the position of Deputy Director of the Department of Enterprise Services for the City and County of Honolulu, I was fortunate to have personally worked with him in regard to the Honolulu Zoo. As coordinator of the Honolulu Zoo's Military Appreciation Day, Mr. Minn worked diligently to bring many organizations together to ensure the success of this special event, namely City Department of Enterprise Services, Honolulu Zoo, Honolulu Zoological Society, City Parks Department, Honolulu Police Department, USO, the Mayor's Office, Generals and Admirals from Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines, Kapiolani Community College, Service Systems Associates, and Roberts Hawaii.

Mr. Minn has excellent leadership skills, is very compassionate, and works diligently to support his mission as well as the missions of others. For these reasons, we ask that you confirm his nomination to the Board of Education, for a term to expire 6-30-2018.

Thank you for allowing me to provide testimony in support of GM 782.

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