

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 601,
602, 603, 604

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 601, 602, 603, and 604, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS COMMISSION

G.M. No. 601 ALLISON WONG,
for a term to expire 06-30-2022;

G.M. No. 602 KAREN POLIVKA,
for a term to expire 06-30-2022;

G.M. No. 603 SUSAN BROWNE,
for a term to expire 06-30-2022; and

G.M. No. 604 JANE CLEMENT,
for a term to expire 06-30-2022,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal histories, resumes, and statements submitted by Allison Wong, Karen Polivka, Susan Browne, and Jane Clement for service on the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

ALLISON WONG

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Allison Wong from the Department



of Accounting and General Services and State Foundation on Culture and the Arts.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Wong's extensive experience and history of leadership in Hawaii's premier culture and arts institutions qualify her to be nominated for appointment to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission. Your Committee notes that Ms. Wong has served as the Deputy Director of the Honolulu Museum of Art since 2011, and as the Interim Director of the museum from March 11, 2016, to January 1, 2017. Ms. Wong also has extensive experience as a curator, as a member of various community boards, and in fundraising. Your Committee further notes that Ms. Wong has curated more than ninety-five exhibitions between 1996 and 2007. Your Committee finds that Ms. Wong's leadership experience and institutional expertise will be great assets to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

KAREN POLIVKA

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Karen Polivka from the Department of Accounting and General Services and State Foundation on Culture and the Arts.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Polivka's expertise in performing arts, knowledge and experience in arts administration, and passion for the arts qualify her to be nominated for reappointment to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission. Your Committee notes that Ms. Polivka currently serves as the Acting General Director of the Hawaii Opera Theatre and is also extensively involved in various volunteer activities. Your Committee further notes that Ms. Polivka has served on the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission for the past four years and was most recently appointed to serve as chairperson of the planning and budget committee. Your Committee finds that Ms. Polivka's experience and commitment to public service will continue to be great assets to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.



SUSAN BROWNE

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Susan Browne from the Department of Accounting and General Services and State Foundation on Culture and the Arts.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Browne's experience and expertise in arts education qualify her to be nominated for appointment to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission. Your Committee notes that Ms. Browne has worked as a teacher, a lecturer at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, and the Education Director for the Maui Arts and Culture Center, as well as serving on the Hawai'i ARTS FIRST Partnership. Your Committee further notes that section 9-2(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires the Commission to have at least one member who is a resident of the County of Maui. Ms. Browne resides in the County of Maui, and her appointment fulfills the statutory requirement for representation. Your Committee finds that Ms. Browne's expertise and dedication to the promotion of arts education will be great assets to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

JANE CLEMENT

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Jane Clement from the Department of Accounting and General Services, State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, and one member of the County Council of the County of Hawai'i.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Clement's administrative experience and history of leadership qualify her to be nominated for reappointment to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission. Your Committee notes that Ms. Clement works as a Community Consultant for Hawaii Electric Light, and that she is active in the Hawai'i island community. Ms. Clement has served on the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission for the past four years and was most recently appointed to serve as chairperson of the grants and programs committee. Your Committee further notes that section 9-2(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires the Commission to have at least one member who is a resident of the County of Hawai'i.



Ms. Clement resides in the County of Hawai'i, and her reappointment to the Commission fulfills the statutory requirement for representation. Your Committee finds that Ms. Clement's administrative expertise and dedication to public service will continue to be great assets to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Commission.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that are attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominees, has found the nominees to be qualified for the positions to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary,



BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



