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To: The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair  
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Time: 11:00 A.M.  
Place: Conference Room 211, State Capitol

From: Linda Chu Takayama, Director  
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Testimony in Support of Governor's Message No. 540

For Consideration and Confirmation of  
FRANCIS IMADA to the Board of Taxation Review, 1<sup>st</sup> Taxation District (Oahu)  
for a Term to Expire June 30, 2019

The Department of Taxation (Department) supports the nomination of Francis Imada to the Board of Taxation Review and encourages this committee to confirm his nomination.

Francis Imada is a qualified candidate to serve on the Board of Taxation Review for the First Taxation District (Oahu). Mr. Imada has over twenty years of accounting and tax experience, and over thirty years of senior management experience in the healthcare and accounting industries.

Mr. Imada is currently the Chief Financial Officer of Clinical Laboratories of Hawaii, LLP. Prior to that, he was a Tax Partner at Deloitte & Touche LLP, where he was responsible for high level tax consulting on complex business transactions. Mr. Imada also previously served as a Senior Tax Manager at Ernst & Young LLP, where he was responsible for client engagements and tax staff training.

Mr. Imada is a graduate of University of Hawaii with a degree in Accounting. His knowledge will be of great help to the Board as it fulfills its duty to Hawaii's taxpayers and the tax community.

Mr. Imada has the necessary knowledge and skills to effectively and competently serve as a member of the Board of Taxation Review. The Department supports his nomination and respectfully requests the Senate's favorable confirmation.