

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3509

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAY 15 2020

RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 677,
678

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 677 and 678, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

DEFENDER COUNCIL

G.M. No. 677 CRAIG DE COSTA,
for a term to expire 06-30-2023; and

G.M. No. 678 CRYSTAL GAIL GLENDON,
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 Craig De Costa and Crystal Gail Glendon for service on the Defender Council.

CRAIG DE COSTA

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Craig De Costa from three individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to the nomination for the reappointment of Craig De Costa from one individual.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. De Costa's background and dedication to serving the public qualify him to be reappointed to the Defender Council. Your Committee notes that Mr. De Costa has been a practicing attorney



in Hawaii since 1996. He is currently a Manager at De Costa Hempey LLC where his practice areas include criminal defense, administrative hearings, landlord-tenant disputes, debt collection, and other civil litigation. He previously spent twelve years at the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Kauai, including previously serving as the Prosecuting Attorney of the County of Kauai from 2004 to 2008. Additionally, Mr. De Costa is active with the Kauai Bar Association, Court Annexed Arbitration Program, and County of Kauai Board of Review. Your Committee further notes that Mr. De Costa has served as a member of the Defender Council since 2016 and has a thorough understanding of the roles and responsibilities of its members. Your Committee therefore recommends that Mr. De Costa be reappointed to the Defender Council based on his knowledge, background, and dedication to public service.

CRYSTAL GAIL GLENDON

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Crystal Gail Glendon from twelve individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to the nomination for the appointment of Crystal Gail Glendon from one individual.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Glendon's background and dedication to serving the public qualify her to be appointed to the Defender Council. Your Committee notes that Ms. Glendon has been a practicing attorney in Hawaii since 2004. She is currently a solo practitioner handling criminal defense, family law, appeals, and civil litigation matters. Previously, Ms. Glendon served over fourteen years as a Deputy Public Defender in the Office of the Public Defender. Your Committee finds that Ms. Glendon has a thorough understanding of the role and responsibilities of board members and her extensive experience in criminal defense will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the Defender Council. Your Committee therefore recommends that Ms. Glendon be appointed to the Defender Council based on her knowledge, background, and dedication to public service.

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,



KARL RHOADS, Chair



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KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (VC)	/			
GABBARD, Mike	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt				/
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