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## Legislative Testimony

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GM 619 – Submitting For Consideration And Confirmation To The Hawai'i Medical Education Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, LINDA ROSEN-DEBOLD, For A Term To Expire 06-30-2023

Chair Kim, Vice Chair Kidani, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in **strong support** of GM 619 and the nomination of Linda Rosen-Debold to serve on the Hawai'i Medical Education Council (Council).

Dr. Rosen is the Chief Executive Officer for the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) and offers over 30 years of experience in the medical field and over 15 years of high-level leadership experience. She has held numerous executive positions such as the former Director of the Department of Health, Medical Director of the Family Health Services Division and Pediatric Emergency Services, Deputy Director for Health Resources Administration and Chief of the Emergency Medical Services and Injury Prevention Systems Branch. She has held faculty appointments with the John A. Burns School of Medicine and is passionate about reducing death, disability and health disparities through the application of a comprehensive public health approach focusing on primary prevention and risk reduction.

Dr. Rosen's collective leadership experiences working with numerous hospitals, systems and agencies statewide, along with her exposure with various educational training programs makes her more than qualified to hold a position on the Council. Her passion and commitment to serving the people of Hawai'i will make her a valuable asset for the Council.

We stand in strong support of Dr. Rosen's nomination and urge this Committee to confirm her appointment to the Hawai'i Medical Education Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.