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## Written Testimony

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To: Committee on Public Safety

Re: Testimony in Support – Resolution 21-66: NOMINATION OF JAMES H. E. IRELAND, M.D.

Fr: Lieutenant Governor Josh Green

Aloha,

It is my distinct pleasure to offer strong support and recommendation for Mr. James H. E. Ireland, M.D. to serve as the Director of Emergency Services of the City and County of Honolulu.

I have had the honor of working closely with Mr. Ireland for quite some time and I have the utmost respect for his dedication to the people of Hawaii. Mr. Ireland has served the people of Hawaii for many years and has contributed to our community in many capacities. Mr. Ireland has served in the Department of Transportation Airports Division Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting, the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine, Hawaii Medical Center, American Medical Response Ambulance and the City and County of Honolulu Department of Emergency Services to name a few.

Mr. James is a highly skilled and committed leader. I have witnessed his unique and extraordinary ability to respond to high level emergency situations and successfully execute needed services. When COVID-19 ripped through America at an alarming speed, the State of Hawaii quickly felt that impact as the number of positive cases ravaged our communities. Mr. James Ireland led a team of people who started to ramp up COVID-19 testing throughout the state to ensure that those who were affected received the care they required and keep the rest of our residents safe. His commitment to keeping our people safe is evident in the work that he continues to do through the City and County of Honolulu's Emergency Medical Services in addition to providing medical care at the Wai'anae Coast Comprehensive Health Center.

Of particular value to me as a state leader was Mr. Ireland's compassion and commitment as he and I worked together to create a space where free medical care was available to the people of Hawaii with the help of many volunteer doctors and nurses. The Aloha Free Clinic was established to provide basic healthcare and access to medications to individuals specifically who have lost their employment and health insurance due to the Covid-19 pandemic until they are able to regain health coverage.

I have always known Mr. Ireland to go the extra mile for the community and I trust that if given the opportunity to continue to serve as the Director of Emergency Services of the City and County of Honolulu, he will do the same.

I have great confidence in Mr. Ireland and his ability to lead in any capacity. He has my full support.

Please contact me at 808-937-0991 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Josh Green MD". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the "MD" being more distinct and written in a slightly larger, bolder script than the name.

Josh Green, M.D.

Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawaii