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## Testimony of MARK B. GLICK, Chief Energy Officer

#### before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM

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## In SUPPORT of GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 505, CHRIS SADAYASU

#### AS DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM

Chair DeCoite, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee, I am writing in support of the appointment of Mr. Chris Sadayasu to serve as the Director of the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT).

Throughout his career in state government, Mr. Sadayasu has proven himself as a dedicated and energetic leader. Mr. Sadayasu's vision for the future of our state is fully aligned with that of Governor Green, as is his timely and appropriate focus on collaboration among state agencies to achieve the Administration's economic development goals. His ability to inspire and motivate others is matched only by his unwavering commitment to delivering results, as we have recently seen in his support of the Administration's affordable housing, Aloha Stadium and the Hawaii Pacific H2Hub initiatives.

I have enjoyed working with Mr. Sadayasu and offer my endorsement of Mr. Sadayasu for the position of Director of DBEDT. He certainly has the experience, skills, and character needed to serve our state with distinction. I urge you to confirm his nomination without hesitation.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.