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### **House Committee on Health**

The Hon. Ryan I. Yamane, Chair

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### **Testimony in Support of House Bill 958**

**RELATING TO HAWAII HEALTH CORPS**

**Submitted by Beth Giesting, Chief Executive Officer**

**February 4, 2011 9:00 a.m. Agenda, Room 329**

The Hawai'i Primary Care Association asks for your support for this measure, which would address the shortage of primary care clinicians in rural Hawai'i and other underserved areas. We believe that both the state-based loan repayment program and the rural family practice residency will provide much-needed incentives to help primary care clinicians choose to practice where they are most needed, including neighbor islands and other rural areas.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in support of this measure.