

1 Report of the Hawaii Dental Political Action Committee
2 (HDPAC) – 2016

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4 The Hawaii Dental Political Action Committee (HDPAC) had another interesting year. The
5 Committee alongside with the Hawaii Dental Association Legislative Task Force worked
6 tirelessly on legislative bills that would ultimately influence our practices.

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8 The purpose of the Committee is to support candidates for State office and legislators that
9 support the views of the Hawaii Dental Association. However, membership to HDPAC
10 represents only 12% of the Hawaii Dental Association. The monetary support from all
11 members is vital.

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13 The Committee is dedicated to moving organized dentistry both nationally and locally to the
14 highest levels by guiding the rights and privileges of our profession through our legislative
15 process.

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17 The Committee successfully defeated SB 3085 which would strip the powers of the Board of
18 Dental Examiners from conducting needed rules changes to continue its mission of
19 perpetuating safe dental practices. This was just an example of the many bills that the
20 Committee watches over for the Hawaii Dental Association.

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22 The Committee will continue to improve its relationship with legislators and other elected
23 officials to foster a favorable working environment.

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25 Respectfully submitted,

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28 Dr. Norman S. Chun
29 Chair

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32 **Recommendation of the Resolutions Reference task force on the HDPAC report:**

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35 The Resolutions Reference task force recommends that the report be accepted.

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38 **Action taken by the House:**
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