



January 14, 2026

To: Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board

From: Andrew Rozell, President, iteach
Michelle Brady, Program Director, iteach Hawai'i

Re: Written Testimony in support of NBI 25-11 (Reintroduced)

Meetings: January 16, 2026, HTSB Teacher Education Committee, Item III-B
January 16, 2026, HTSB General Business Meeting, Item IV-E

Dear Board Chair and Kristi Miyamae and Members of the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board,

On behalf of iteach Hawai'i, we submit this written testimony in support of New Business Item 25-11 (Reintroduced) to approve a one-year extension of continuing state approval for iteach Hawai'i.

We extend our sincere appreciation to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board and the Teacher Education Committee for deferring the original NBI 25-11 introduced on September 12, 2025, and allowing iteach Hawai'i the opportunity to return on January 16, 2026, with revisions that clarify the language of our request and the accreditation and state approval timeline that supports this item.

The revisions to this reintroduced item are intended to clarify:

- iteach Hawai'i's current CAEP accreditation status and CAEP's approval of a one-year Good Cause Extension,
- the timeline for the for the upcoming CAEP review and site visit, and
- the alignment of this request with HTSB continuing approval timelines and requirements.

We also thank the HTSB Executive Director for the time and support provided in reviewing the item's language with us. Through this process we have had the opportunity to collaborate with HTSB and CAEP leadership and staff to ensure shared clarity regarding our accreditation timeline and the steps required to demonstrate, through the CAEP accreditation review process, how the iteach Hawai'i program meets the requirements of the current version of the Hawaii Administrative Rules, HTSB policies, CAEP's partnership agreement, and CAEP accreditation standards.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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