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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER

Aloha

On behalf of the State of Hawaii, Office of Elections, we are excited to present the 2024 Voter Guide! This valuable resource is a first for Hawaii voters, made possible by the passing of Act 115 during the 2023 Legislative Session. Thank you to everyone who has advocated for and contributed to its creation.

As a registered voter, you can expect to receive your ballot in the mail about 18 days prior to Election Day. Be sure to check that your voter registration is current to ensure that your ballot is properly delivered. If you have moved or changed your mailing address since the last election, you must update your registration. Also, a reminder that ballots need to be received, not postmarked, by 7:00 PM on Election Day.

Be assured that we are committed to conducting safe, secure, and transparent elections for Hawaii residents and we thank you for participating in the democratic process.

Very truly yours,



Scott T. Nago



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WHAT IS THE VOTER GUIDE?

The Voter Guide is published by the State of Hawaii, Office of Elections to ensure you have information about the elections process and the contests you'll be voting on. The guide includes information on voter registration, key dates, and resources like how to track your ballot and accessible voting. Additionally, the Office of Elections compiles statements and photos submitted by the candidates running for office.

How are the statements and photos compiled?

Every candidate has the opportunity to provide a short statement and photo when they file to run for office. The statement must be less than 150 words, and candidates are offered the following guidance: Treat your statement as a resume; offer your vision and be positive; think of what you want to accomplish if elected; and avoid criticism of opponents.

The statements and photos are published in the guide as provided by the candidates. Also published will be the candidate's ballot name, legal name, political affiliation, and contact information. If the candidate does not provide a statement or photo, the phrase 'No Statement Submitted' or 'No Photo Submitted' will appear next to their candidate information.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2024 General Election

- October 18: Look for your General Election ballot packet to be delivered in the mail.
- October 22: Voter Service Centers are open through Election Day for voter registration and accessible in-person voting. Visit elections.hawaii.gov for locations, dates, and hours.
- October 28: Deadline to register to vote using a paper Voter Registration Application for the General Election by 4:30 PM.
- October 29: Deadline to request an absentee ballot by 4:30 PM.
- November 5: General Election. Voted ballots must be received by 7:00 PM.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Who is eligible to register to vote?

You must be a U.S. citizen, a Hawaii resident, and at least 18 years old. If you are at least 16 years old, you can pre-register to vote and you will automatically be registered when you turn 18 years old.

What's the quickest way to register?

Online! With your Hawaii Driver License or Hawaii State ID, get registered in a matter of minutes at elections.hawaii.gov. If you don't have a Hawaii ID, a printable application is available through the website or at post offices and libraries.

How do I declare my party affiliation?

You'll notice that when you register to vote, you are not asked for your political party affiliation. That's not a mistake. Hawaii voters do not declare a political party affiliation when registering to vote.

Do I have to register to vote every year?

No, you do not need to register to vote before each election. You are however responsible for maintaining a current registration. If your name, residence, or mailing address changes between elections, you need to update your voter registration. Election officials rely on your current voter registration to know what ballot to assign you and where to send it. Get in the habit of checking your voter registration at the start of every election year! Check and update your registration at elections.hawaii.gov.

Where do I vote?

Your ballot comes to you! Hawaii is a vote by mail state, which means that as a registered voter, you'll automatically receive your ballot in the mail every election. With voting by mail, our elections don't take place on just one day, your voting window really starts once your ballot arrives in your mailbox. You also have other options described in this guide. For example, you could instead vote in person at a voter service center, which has accessible voting devices.

VOTING BY MAIL

Here's what you need to know about voting by mail.

Your mail ballot:

- Is automatically sent to your mailing address
- Arrives 18 days before Election Day
- Requires your signature to be counted
- Needs to be received by 7:00 PM on Election Day

What if I didn't receive my ballot?

If you do not receive your ballot, contact your County Elections Division and they will issue you a replacement ballot.

What if I make a mistake on my ballot?

If you make a mistake, misplace, or damage your ballot, request a replacement ballot from your County Elections Division.

Can I change my mind after I've returned the ballot?

No. Once you return your voted ballot and it is received by the County Elections Division, it is considered cast, and you will not be able to receive a new ballot.

How can I vote if I'm away during the election?

If you will be away during the election, you may request an absentee ballot to be mailed to an alternate address. Simply complete an Absentee Ballot Application and indicate where you would like your ballot to be mailed.

COMPLETING YOUR MAIL BALLOT

1. Before voting, review both sides of the ballot. To vote, darken the boxes of your choice with a black or blue pen.
2. After voting, place your ballot in the secrecy sleeve. Then, place the secrecy sleeve in the return envelope.
3. Read the affirmation statement and sign the return envelope. You must sign the return envelope for your ballot to be counted.

RETURNING YOUR MAIL BALLOT

By Mail: Place your voted ballot in the mail using the pre-addressed, postage-paid return envelope. Be mindful of USPS delivery times to ensure it is received by the deadline.

By Ballot Drop Box: Drop your voted ballot at a ballot drop box location within your county. Visit elections.hawaii.gov for locations, dates, and hours.

Voted ballots must be received by your County Elections Divisions by 7:00 PM on Election Day to be counted.

PROCESSING YOUR BALLOT

Once your return envelope is received, the barcode on it is scanned. The unique barcode allows officials to track the return of your ballot and prevents anyone from voting more than once.

The signature on the return envelope is compared to the signature on your voter record. If officials are unable to confirm a match, you'll be notified to fix the issue within five business days post-election.

If your signature is successfully matched, your ballot is securely transported to the counting center. At the counting center, your voted ballot is processed through vote counting scanners.

TRACK YOUR BALLOT

Sign up for ballot tracking alerts via text, email, or voice call at elections.hawaii.gov. The service lets you know where your ballot is and sends key reminders including an alert when the ballot return deadline is approaching.

VIEW ELECTION RESULTS

After 7:00 PM on Election Day, you can begin viewing election results at elections.hawaii.gov. The results will continue to be updated until all valid ballots received by the deadline are counted.

You can expect the following release of results:

- Report 1 is released after the voter service centers are closed on Election Day.
- Report 2 is scheduled for release at 10:30 PM on Election Day.
- Election Day Final Report is released once all return envelopes have been signature checked by the County Elections Division and processed at the counting center.
- Election Final Report is released after the 5-business day voter signature curing period.

VOTER SERVICE CENTERS

For same day registration and voting, and accessible voting.

Visit elections.hawaii.gov for locations, dates, and hours.



ACCESSIBLE VOTING

Accessible voting options are available. Consider which voting method meets your needs.

1. Vote at home with a paper ballot.

- **Automatic mail delivery.** Your ballot packet arrives directly at your mailing address.
- **You're allowed to have help.** If reviewing, marking, and returning your ballot poses a challenge, you can ask for help. You're permitted to ask someone you feel comfortable with to help read through your ballot, mark your choices, and be your witness if you cannot sign the return envelope independently. Your employer or your union agent is prohibited from helping.
- **Prepaid return envelope provided.** Return your ballot by mail in the provided return envelope. No additional postage is required.

To vote at home with a paper ballot: By registering to vote, you'll automatically receive a mail ballot every election. No separate request is needed.

2. Vote at home with an accessible electronic ballot.

If you have a print disability and are unable to read standard print, you're eligible to vote using an electronic ballot.

- **Convenient e-mail delivery.** Your electronic ballot is securely sent to your email address. The ballot itself is not connected to the Internet and is only transmitted electronically.
- **Compatible with personal assistive devices.** Use your at-home assistive devices to review and mark your ballot independently. The electronic ballot is compatible with all major browsers, device sizes (including smartphones and tablets), and personal assistive devices.

To vote with an accessible electronic ballot: When you register to vote, check the option to request an electronic ballot and affirm that you meet the qualifications. You'll need to provide your email address.

3. Vote at a voter service center using a ballot marking device.

If you are unable to hand-mark a ballot with a pen, visit a voter service center to use the accessible ballot marking device, Verity Touch Writer.

- **Enhanced accessibility features.** The Verity Touch Writer allows you to independently choose your ballot selections through an electronic interface. Device features include a large touchscreen interface, rotary wheel console to move through the ballot, compatibility with tactile switches and "sip and puff" devices, adjustable text size and screen contrast for increased visibility, and headphone capability for audio access.
- **Accessible machines are available statewide.** All voter service centers are equipped with the Verity Touch Writer. Voter service centers are open up to 10 business days leading up to Election Day, giving you ample time to visit a location to vote.
- **Not electronic voting.** The Verity Touch Writer is simply an electronic device to assist you in reviewing and marking your ballot. After voting, you'll print a paper ballot to be scanned for counting. The printed ballot is the same one used by all voters whether at the voter service center or by mail.

To vote using a ballot marking device: Visit a voter service center in your county. Registering ahead of your visit may reduce your wait time.

CAMPAIGN SPENDING

To view candidate contributions and spending, visit the Campaign Spending Commission website at csc.hawaii.gov/CFSPublic/menu/.

ETHICS COMMISSION

To view candidate financial disclosures for state candidates, visit the State Ethics Commission website at hawaiiethics.my.site.com/public/s/.

YOUR VOTING RIGHTS

Your right to the secrecy of your vote

- Your vote is anonymous and is not tied to you or your voter registration. No record is kept of how you voted in an election.
- Voters in Hawaii are not asked to declare a political party preference when registering to vote. Hawaii elections offices do not ask, nor keep a record of your party affiliation.

Your right to Election Day services

- If you are not yet registered to vote on Election Day, you can still register at a voter service center in your county. You will be permitted to vote in person for that election and will receive a mail ballot for future elections.
- If you are in line, stay in line. Voting closes at 7:00 PM on Election Day, however, if you are in line to vote at a voter service center or to drop off your mail ballot at a ballot drop box, you will be allowed to do so. Officials mark the end of the line, and you will not be permitted to rejoin if you leave.
- You can request a provisional ballot if you cannot confirm your voter registration. A provisional ballot allows you to vote a ballot that may or may not be counted after the County Elections Division confirms your voter registration information.

Your right to register to vote

- If you are experiencing homelessness or otherwise do not have a traditional residential address, you are still eligible to register to vote. When you register, provide a description of where you reside – like cross streets and landmarks, to help election officials determine your voting district. Election officials can offer guidance on voting options including in person voting at a voter service center.
- You maintain the right to register and vote if you are a pre-trial detainee, on probation, or paroled after imprisonment. If you have been convicted of a felony, you are not permitted to vote during your imprisonment, however, your voting rights are restored if you are on probation or paroled.

Your right to vote while away from Hawaii

- If you are temporarily away from your Hawaii residence, you can request for an absentee ballot to be mailed to an alternate address by submitting an Absentee Ballot Application.
- If you are active-duty military, spouse or dependent of an active-duty military or a U.S. citizen who resides overseas, you are eligible to vote in Hawaii elections. By completing a Federal Post Card Application, your ballot will be delivered to you overseas.

Your right to language assistance

- Voting materials are available in Chinese, Olelo Hawaii, Ilocano, and Tagalog, and further language assistance is available by contacting the Office of Elections.

Your right to accessible voting and assistance

- If you need assistance through the election process, including registering to vote, or reviewing, marking, and returning your ballot, you are allowed to receive assistance. It is important to note that to protect you against voter intimidation, you are prohibited from receiving assistance from a candidate on the ballot, or your employer or union agent.
- Accessible voting options are available to vote privately and independently. Voters with disabilities can request an accessible electronic ballot or visit a voter service center to use accessible voting equipment to review and mark their ballot.

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE

如需翻譯後的選舉材料或語言協助，請聯絡選舉辦公室。

No nā pono koho pāloka a i 'ole no ke kōkua 'ōlelo Hawai'i, e ho'oka'a'ike i ka Māhele Koho o ka Moku'āina.

Para kadagiti naipatarus a materiales a mainaig iti eleksion wenno tulong iti lengguahe, awagan ti Opisina Dagiti Eleksion (Office of Elections).

Para sa mga isinalin na babasahin tungkol sa pagboto o kung kailangan ang tulong sa wika, makipag-ugnayan sa Tanggapan ng mga Eleksyon.

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Claudia De la Cruz is a mother, educator, pastor, and lifelong community organizer whose work is dedicated to justice for the working class. We say "End Capitalism Before It Ends Us". Locals suffer with the crushing burdens of housing costs, groceries, and debt. This system lets a handful of billionaires run the economy, launch wars, and destroy the planet. Wall Street and corporate politicians use the military to seize, destroy, and pollute the land from Red Hill to Gaza. From government neglect in Lahaina to land grabs across Hawai'i, capitalists care more about building resorts than rebuilding communities. We support self-determination for the Hawaiian nation and full rights for all immigrants. We say stop the war on Black America, end the genocide of Palestinians, and end US aid to Israel. We want peace, not endless war. Let's build a people's movement for justice, together!



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Karina Garcia is a Chicana organizer and educator who has been fighting for a better future since she was 17. After receiving a full scholarship to Columbia, Karina taught as a high school math teacher. She helped lead campaigns for abortion rights, domestic workers' rights, full rights for immigrants, and student debt cancellation. This campaign calls for a totally new economy that serves the working class, not the billionaires. A working class government could meet people's needs – like making free healthcare, free education at all levels, free childcare, decent housing, and union jobs constitutional rights. Claudia and Karina are running with the Party for Socialism and Liberation (PSL), which is fighting for the immediate needs of poor and working people and for a new society – socialism. This campaign is about more than just one election, it's about building a mass movement that is independent from the two pro-corporate parties.

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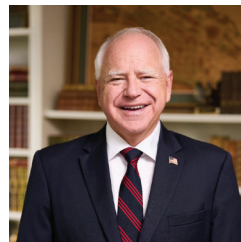


BALLOT NAME:
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Vice President Harris is fighting for a New Way Forward that protects our fundamental freedoms including a woman's right to choose, strengthens our democracy, and ensures every person has the opportunity to not just get by, but to get ahead. As a prosecutor, Attorney General, Senator, and now Vice President of the United States, Kamala Harris always stood up for the people against predators, scammers, and powerful interests. Raised by a working mom in a middle-class household, she believes that when the middle class is strong, America is strong and as President, she will make it a top priority to bring down costs and increase economic security. She promises to be a president for all Americans, a president who unites us around our highest aspirations, and a president who always fights for the American people. From the courthouse to the White House, that has been her life's work.

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BALLOT NAME:
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Governor Tim Walz is a champion for America's working families. He enlisted in the Army National Guard and served for 24 years. Walz served his community as a teacher and football coach – taking his team to the state championship for the first time in the school's history. He was elected to Congress in a Republican-leaning district, where he served as the ranking member on the House Veterans Affairs Committee and passed legislation to help stem veterans' suicides. As governor, Walz cut taxes, lowered the cost of insulin, cracked down on junk fees, and signed paid leave into law. Walz stood up for fundamental freedoms and passed legislation protecting a woman's right to choose following Trump's overturning of Roe. A gun owner and hunter, Walz expanded background checks in Minnesota. And, he worked across the aisle to pass a bipartisan infrastructure package.

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After traveling to all 50 states, I've seen how inflation and government overreach are holding people back. By cutting spending and balancing the budget, we can ease the cost of living and strengthen the economy for everyone. I'll end wars, bring our troops home, and repeal the Jones Act to lower shipping costs, giving Hawaiians access to more affordable groceries. Let's remove government obstacles and help our nation thrive again.



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Mike ter Maat has a successful career in economics highlighted by his work in the White House Office of Management and Budget and university teaching. While in Washington DC, he advocated for freer financial service markets. Mike ter Maat served as a Broward County FL police officer for 11.5 years. He saw first hand the need for significant reforms in law enforcement, among them, linking pay to performance and replacing qualified immunity with personal liability insurance. Ter Maat's foreign policy emphasizes ethics and non-intervention by avoiding foreign aid and military involvement while using trade to encourage and stabilize relationships. Ter Maat proposes fewer barriers to lawful immigration and increased border resources for faster vetting. Mike ter Maat advocates for decentralizing authority to limit government power and adherence to our Bill of Rights.

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The American Solidarity Party is committed to the betterment of our nation and world through prudent policies guided by Christian Democratic values. Peter Sonski and Lauren Onak believe that all people—whether they are unborn, infirm, poor, or incarcerated—have an innate human dignity that cannot be taken away. Our commitment to one another demands that we pursue justice together, at whatever level of government or society responds best to the needs of our families and communities. We believe in an environmentalism that puts people and communities first, while also protecting our planet for future generations. We support pro-family policies that empower families to welcome children into the world by decreasing the economic barriers they face. We advocate for workers and local businesses and will create incentives for development of a broad ownership economy.

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A joint statement was submitted for the Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates.

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The political system is broken. The two Wall Street parties are bought and paid for. Both are abandoning working people, neglecting housing, healthcare and education, worsening the climate crisis and squandering trillions on the endless war machine. Over 60% of us now say the two-party system has failed and we need a party that serves the people. I'm running to offer that choice: a pro-worker, anti-war, climate action campaign on the ballot nationwide. We reject the corrupting money from corporations and billionaires. We will fight for an economy that works for working people, with Medicare for All, affordable housing, free public higher education, an end to mass incarceration and police violence, reparations for descendants of enslaved and colonized people, and more. We need a real Green New Deal and an end to endless war. And we must end the genocide in Palestine.



BALLOT NAME:
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Professor Rudolph "Butch" Ware is a lifelong activist and educator specializing in the history of empire, colonialism, genocide and revolution. For the past two decades, Ware has put scholarship in service of the people, especially in response to the ongoing genocide in Gaza, as well as the George Floyd murder in 2020. He has organized teach-ins, community education curricula, and other activist and organizing initiatives. More broadly, Ware has been working as a public intellectual, activist, artist, and organizer, supporting communities across the country and around the world to challenge imperialism, ethnic cleansing, and endless war, and to build sustainable, just, peaceful alternatives rooted in African, Indigenous, and Abrahamic traditions. Ware is a leading academic authority on the U.S. Black Radical Tradition, Africa and Islam. Professor Ware is a full faculty member at Northwestern, Michigan, and now UC Santa-Barbara, teaching in History, Black Studies, and Islamic studies.

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BALLOT NAME:

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I left behind my former life because I couldn't stand by while career politicians bled this country dry. As President, I took on powerful special interests, fixing bad trade deals, ending foreign wars, securing the border, and standing up to Big Pharma and China. Together, we put America First and returned power to the people. But today, the corrupt government cartel is destroying our country. We're seeing attacks on free speech, rampant crime, terrorists flooding our border, and a failing economy. Liberty, freedom, and faith are under siege. Our movement to Make America Great Again is the only force strong enough to restore safety, prosperity, and peace. I will unleash American energy, renew tax cuts, repeal stifling regulations, and stop wasteful spending. We've already created the greatest American economy once, and we will do it again. Together, we will restore America's prosperity and greatness.

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It's an honor to stand with President Donald J. Trump as we work to restore this great nation. Despite relentless attacks, President Trump's dedication to the American people is unwavering. He didn't enter politics for himself—he did it because America needed him. President Trump puts America First, fighting for workers, families, and communities. Under his leadership, we saw the strongest economy in history, secure borders, and renewed American pride. The Washington establishment opposes him because he works for you, not them. This election is critical. Under Joe Biden, we've seen a failing economy, global instability, and rising crime. Kamala Harris would only make things worse. But with President Trump, we can return to the strength and prosperity we once enjoyed. I'm proud to stand with President Trump and ask for your vote. Let's re-elect him and continue restoring American greatness. Thank you, and may God bless America.

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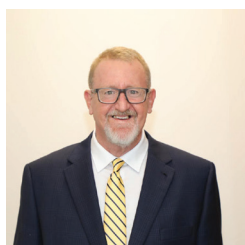
Let's End Human Trafficking & Drug Smuggling Together! "You cannot solve a problem with the same mind that created it" -Albert Einstein Therefore, The Solution is Simple: We Must Change Things Up & "Be The Change We Wish To See In The World" -Mahatma Gandhi Be The Hero of Your Own Life & Inspire Our Future Generations To Make the World A Better Place. Pikachu believes in Self Sufficiency! Learn how to build your own Hale (house), Learn how to Live Off The Grid, Learn how to invest & barter with crypto, & become better than you were yesterday. FYI, Master Shelby Billionaire was raised out of Wai'anae from a Quonset hut and grew up watching Voltron, Ninja Turtles, Care Bears, Thundercats, & Captain Planet. The Power is Yours! If you like Super Heroes Vote 4 Pikachu! Cheeeehuuuuuu Facebook @Shelby Keiki'okalani IG @Legendarybillionaire Youtube @SuperShelbyBillionaire Mahalo Nui Loa!



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As your U.S. Senator, I'm fighting on your side every day to lower costs and make life better for people and families in Hawaii. Whether working to expand education opportunities for our keiki, strengthen critical programs like Social Security and Medicare for our kupuna, or confirm fair and objective judges, I'm committed to ensuring our communities have the support they deserve. During my time in the Senate we've invested billions in modernizing our nation's infrastructure, lowered health care costs for our kupuna, and taken historic action to combat climate change. I'm running for reelection to build on the progress we've made and defend our democracy. It's my honor to represent you in the Senate, and I humbly ask for your vote in this election.



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To Win, running a God-centered campaign, conducting myself as a Christian Gentleman while putting morality an decency back into our public discourse, Stopping the endless wars, Protecting parental rights and students from gender ideology brainwashing, and righting our fiscal ship so that working families have a chance to thrive and prosper. Father of 8, grandfather to 13, USMC and Desert Storm veteran, 16-year State of Hawaii Representative.



BALLOT NAME:
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My name is Emma Jane Avila Pohlman. I am an Earth Lawyer and Mediator. I studied Philosophy and Political Science at the University of Southern California (USC) and earned my Juris Doctor at Loyola Law School. I believe in good government and fundamental core principles. My central focus is water. All People of Hawai'i must have clean water. This is our government's primary responsibility.



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Aloha. In these difficult times, we don't need more division and inaction. We do need strong, steady leadership for real solutions to real challenges. I was born and raised in Hilo to deep roots throughout Hawai'i. I've had full careers in law and business, eight years in our Hawai'i Legislature, a great family. I now have ten years of seniority in Congress. I hold key positions like our House Appropriations Committee which funds our federal government. I've fought for key advances for our country and to solve crises like COVID, Red Hill and Maui for our Hawai'i. I've always believed that we can and must find a better way forward, together. No yelling and screaming. Just facing our challenges honestly, working hard and getting the job done. That's what it takes. That's what I've done. That's what I offer. I humbly ask for your continued support, Mahalo.



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Aloha! I'm Patrick Largey, and I'm running for Congress in Hawaii's 1st Congressional District. Born and raised in Hudson, Massachusetts, I've called Hawaii my home since being stationed here in the US Air Force in 1985. I care about the people, the land and its traditions. I support and defend the US Constitution. I am pro-Life, pro-2nd Amendment, pro-US military and Law Enforcement. I served 23 year with the US military and Law Enforcement. Serving people has always been my passion, and that's why I am running for office. I love our country, but I frown upon the current administration's agenda and destructive policies. The people of Hawaii deserve much better. We must get our fiscal house in order, first, and stop spending \$\$\$ billions to countries that don't like us very much.

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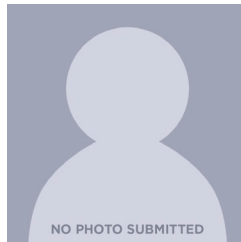
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Born in Honolulu, living on Maui. My degree in Economics has given me the background to observe and evaluate the deteriorating financial conditions we all face. There is a decline in purchasing power. One consequence is desperation as people are trying to feed their families. I am guided by tolerance, civility, and the Aloha Spirit I will stand up for the people of our community. There are two main political parties and in order to have a genuine seat at the table, Hawaii needs to have a bipartisan presence in Washington. I will be that person. My Campaign needs volunteers. Financial donors are requested. Elect me so I can serve your interests!



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From Pāpa‘aloha on Hawai‘i Island, to Pu‘unēnē on Maui, to Puhi on Kaua‘i, to my hometown of Kāne‘ohe—our family has called Hawai‘i’s Second Congressional District home for five generations. For me, serving in Congress is personal and about ensuring that the next generation can see a future for themselves in this place we love. That means making sure we are building housing people can afford. Working to ensure access to healthcare and mental health services. Creating educational opportunities and good jobs. Reducing the cost of living on everything from food and utilities to gas and prescription drugs. I bring the sense of urgency I have as a mother to Congress to get things done and take care of our people and community like family. We’ve accomplished much together, but there’s so much more to be done. I humbly ask for your consideration and your vote.



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Aaron Toman was raised on Oahu and has lived most of his adult life on the Hilo side of Big Island. Aaron realized that no one was going to magically appear to fix our political landscape, if he wanted to see change, he had to be the change! Aaron's 11 point platform is broken into three sections: Fix Congress, Fix the Nation, and Fix Hawaii; with the most important points being Congressional Term Limits, Voting Rights for US Territories, Amending the Jones Act to exclude Hawaii, and removing Qualified Immunity from the Justice System. You are encouraged to review Aaron's full platform on his website, LimitThePower.com 2024 will be the year that Americans reject the two party system! Be a part of history by electing Hawaii's first Libertarian Congressman and the nation's first House Minority Leader from a 3rd party! Aaron Toman is Hawaii's 3rd Option and 1st Choice!



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I am extremely grateful for the privilege to serve as Senator for District 3 since 2018, an opportunity that has uniquely positioned me to help meet the needs of our community, where I have deep roots. From championing improved access to affordable housing, bolstering the State's education system, and promoting economic diversification, to advocating for grassroots initiatives, my primary focus remains on amplifying the voices of Kona, Ka'u, and Volcano at the Capitol. As Majority Leader of the Senate, I have effectively leveraged my leadership role to ensure equity for Hawai'i Island. With your support, I look forward to continuing to fight for policies that uplift all residents and preserve our State's unique way of life. I remain committed to continuing to serve Senate District 3, delivering results that will benefit our State for generations to come. Mahalo in advance for your trust and continued partnership.



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Embracing a new era of politics in Hawaii with a touch of common sense! Let's pave the way for positive change, transparency, and progress. Together, we can shape a brighter future for our beloved islands.

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Aloha! I'm Angus McKelvey and I mahalo you and your 'ohana for the privilege of serving as your State Senator. Born and raised here, my calling is to protect Hawaii and its most important resource - our people. I'm committed to affordable housing; middle-class tax relief; and sustainable practices to preserve our environment and help families thrive. I've challenged the decisions of distant powers and continue to demand transparency and inclusion from our government. I stand with Maui's residents as our island endures ongoing struggles related to the Lahaina Wildfire. With your vote, I will continue working to coordinate and resolve the government efforts and bureaucracies that affect us; and secure funds needed for Maui's recovery. I am committed to our survival, healing, and resilience. Together, we will rise from the ashes and ensure our people have a brighter, safer, and sustainable future.



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Would you like to see Maui maintain its genuine ALOHA charm and rich Hawaiian culture? Would you also like to have accessible housing, abundant utilities, and high paying jobs? We don't have to compromise; we can have both! Vote for me and I'll make sure we don't sell this beautiful island out to corporate interests or foreign investors who have little respect for the 'āina and the people who live here. We have no time to waste, I will make sure your voices are heard, the urgency is now! I promise to communicate with the COMMUNITY regularly, have COMPASSION for your issues and use COMMON SENSE to find solutions in the legislature. Let's all take positive action, I have the energy, passion and commitment to keep Maui nō ka 'oi, Vote Sheila Walker. The Maui Community Must Come First!

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Aloha, My name is Lynn Pualani DeCoite and I am asking for your support to serve another term as your State Senator for District 7. Born In Honolulu and raised on Moloka'i, my upbringing on the family farm laid the foundation on commitment to agriculture and environmental stewardship. With a focus on transparency, accountability, and inclusivity, I am committed to representing the diverse voices and needs of our community. I am dedicated to enhancing the lives of all my constituents. Serving as Assistant Majority Floor Leader and Chair of the Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism Committee, I will continue to prioritize boosting food production, advocating affordable housing, and environmental protection. In these challenging times, amplifying our community's voice is my mission. Your voice matters, and I'm here to ensure it's heard. I ask for your support to let me continue to serve you as State Senator for District 7.



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Born in the Pacific Island of Guam, I learned the value of hard work at an early age by helping run our family's small store and farm. By 16, I was in the workforce, enhancing good work ethics that create value to those who I am surrounded by. At 19, I supervised four stores giving me experience in leadership. In 2005, I joined the USCG, serving six years stationed in Oahu. By 2013, I joined the local workforce in Maui and with my first business trip to Maui sparked a deep connection to its preserved beauty, reminiscent of Guam. Since then, I was a Safety Officer, Safety Director, Safety Specialist, and now currently the Operations Manager for the County of Maui. Maui is my home, embracing its culture and committed to its preservation. Whether defending the landscapes and the community, I am blessed with every moment in this paradise.

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Aloha, my name is Shotaro Dabbs. Born and raised in Waikiki, I like many others faced struggles during my childhood, including my father's incarceration and homelessness. I was raised by a hardworking single mother who worked long hours to make ends meet. These experiences have deepened my commitment to our community. I am running to represent you in the State Senate for District 12. My top priorities are tackling homelessness, enhancing public safety, and improving education. Together, we can build a brighter future for Hawaii by expanding mental health services, enhancing public safety measures, and granting teachers greater autonomy to foster individualized learning. I believe in collaborative solutions and community engagement to address our challenges effectively. Mahalo for your support.



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As a Democrat Senator, I've been honored to serve you in Kakaako, Ala Moana, Moiliili, McCully, and Waikiki. I was in Governor Waihee's Cabinet as labor department deputy and personnel director; in the Judiciary as courts administrator; and at UH as assistant vice president. Our beautiful neighborhood has serious problems -- homelessness, crime and noise, sea level rise, limited green spaces, kupuna and keiki needing help. So far, we have moved on noise; shifting homeless to better places; bringing in "Safe and Sound" crime control; keeping Kakaako's shoreline free of luxury high rises. We still need comprehensive solutions that end homelessness using a statewide homeless office; build affordable housing; enforce laws against habitual violent offenders; curb excessive noise; fund in-place care for kupuna and career pathways for keiki, and; execute sea level rise planning. I'm here to serve you. Together, we'll build a better community and state. Please "Vote Sharon."

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Hawaii deserves better than what it's been getting. Born and reared in Hawaii, it is my home and that of my extended family. I've seen tremendous changes over my lifetime—many stunning and, unfortunately, many for the worse. Having lived as an adult on the mainland for 30 years, Japan for 13, and Canada for 1, I understand the perspectives of other locations and other people. My father introduced the U.S. Constitution to me as a very young child and I was impressed at that age by its protection of individual, minority rights. It sounded so right to my young mind. Those rights are in more danger than ever (CBDC, the recent mandatory shots, mandatory masks, and more.). I will fight for freedom of the people, even if I am the only one in the legislature to do so on a particular issue. For more information, see my forthcoming website.



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Aloha! I'm Brandon Elefante, current member of the Hawai'i State Senate, District 16 (Aiea, Pearl City, and Hālawā). It has been my life's great honor to serve in public office for the last 10 years. This past year, I diligently worked alongside my colleagues in the state legislature to address critical issues, from improving access to affordable housing, supporting critical infrastructure projects, and advocating for a cleaner environment. Together, we have achieved significant milestones, but there is still much more we must accomplish. Throughout my years of public service, I have learned the importance of listening to your concerns, collaborating across party lines, and working tirelessly to find common-sense solutions to our most pressing challenges. I believe that my experience, dedication, and passion for our community make me the best choice to continue representing your interests in the State Senate. Mahalo.

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Aloha, I am Senator Michelle Kidani and running for re-election to the Hawaii State Senate. Mahalo plenty for allowing me to serve as your Senator since 2009. I currently serve as Vice President of the Hawai'i State Senate and Chair of the Committee on Education. If you will allow me, I would like to serve our district for another term to continue supporting our Superintendent and Dept. of Education to assure our children have the best education our Hawai'i can offer.



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36yrs ago I've escaped communism with my wife. Well educated (Masters in nuclear physics and engineering), we didn't come to USA for handouts, but worked hard to have thriving life for our family, and children's children future. Today we know it's possible. However trajectory controlled by people in our current government is destroying lives. Every child is headed to shorter lifespan than their parents. We need bottom up movement of working people to reverse this trend. There are real solutions (not "Green Deal" scam) for self-sufficiency in food production, energy, affordable housing. No working family shall struggle financially or be forced to leave this beautiful state. They'll be represented again. As a scientist brainstorming with experts and with your support united we'll stop these greedy special corporate interests corrupting our politicians, corrupting election system, and ruining Hawaiians. I'll bring common sense, righteousness, and Aloha back to negotiating table. Mahalo.

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Aloha, my name is Samantha DeCorte. I am Native Hawaiian and deeply rooted in my faith and in my culture. My husband and I, recently celebrated our 27th anniversary and, together, we have raised 3 young capable men. In 2022, I ran for Hawaii State Senate District 22 and came up short by 40 votes. It was the closest race in the 2022 election. Since then I have worked in both branches of the Hawaii State Legislature, including the House of Representatives and presently the Senate, I have gained valuable policy experience and cultivated important relationships. As a result, I am fully prepared to assume the responsibilities of the role on day one. I have become a member of our district's neighborhood board and was elected by fellow board members to serve as the Chair. Please visit my website for more info: www.SamanthaDeCorte.com. I humbly ask for your vote.



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Aloha! My name is Cedric Asuega Gates, and I am a lifelong resident of the 96792 community. I am a proud alumnus of Kamaile Elementary, Wai'anae Intermediate, Wai'anae High School, YouthBuild Honolulu, and Leeward Community College-Wai'anae Moku. I currently serve as the State Representative of District 45, which encompasses Mākua, Mākaha, and Wai'anae. I have previously served our community as the Chairman of the Wai'anae Coast Neighborhood Board and was a member of the Board of Directors for the Wai'anae Coast Comprehensive Health Center. Since being elected to office, I've secured over \$250 million in funding for our roads, schools, infrastructure, state parks, fire prevention, healthcare, homeless and more. Every year as a legislator, I've been able to pass bills to improve our way of life in 96792, and I plan to continue doing the same as your next Senator. I humbly ask for you and your Ohana's vote.

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Ben Shafer is a fourth generation Hawaiian from Kahana Valley. A long-time community advocate, he was one of the leaders in the fight against Turtle Bay Resort expansion. Ben works for the International Alliance Theatrical and Stage Employees and Film I.A.T.S.E. Local 665, and he serves on the O'ahu Island Burial Council. Ben believes integrity matters and that unity is the path to success. Ben's compassion and respect for others helps guide his work. Our large and diverse district needs an active leader who can effectively represent all our communities. Ben will serve as a pono Senator our district needs and deserves. The high cost of living makes it increasingly difficult to get by. Government needs more accountability and less waste. We must protect our quality of life, avoid over-development, protect our agricultural lands, increase local food production, maintain our roads, care for kupuna and keiki. Aloha, Lōkahi, Pono.

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"Let's Do Better!" Nullify the Jones Act. Disinfect the House. Sustainable Prosperity through Freedom. I represent the organic homesteading community of Big Island. I share your dreams and I hit the same potholes in our roads. You've probably seen me playing music on the streets, serving those in need, and listening to people from all walks of life. I believe we want the same things: prosperous, safer, and freer communities with our freedom protected from government interference. Together, we will send a clear message to the failing two-party system: "Do better." If you send me to serve in the State House of Representatives, I will work hard for you. I will read each bill with care. My experience with parliamentary procedure, legislative review, and legal theory will ensure that I can make better use of the position than any other candidate; I won't let you down. Let's Do Better.



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Aloha East Hawai'i! My number one priority has been and will continue to be making it easier to make ends meet for local residents. We have taken some steps in the right direction recently and I will do my best to continue this momentum towards a fairer tax code and more opportunities for young families and kupuna, alike. In addition to doing my best to lower the cost of living and create more favorable economic conditions, I will continue our push to transform healthcare in East Hawai'i through the further expansion of Hilo Medical Center and new facilities for Puna. Mahalo for your consideration and thank you for voting!



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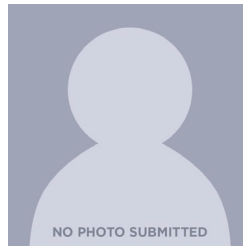




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Born and raised in Hawaii, and a Mother of 3, I am naturally compassionate and empathetic. I am innovative and take a common sense approach in finding solutions. Since I was a child, I have served alongside various non-profit organizations & have led many community driven events to help bring hope & solutions to our people. As a resident of beautiful district 4, I hope to continue that, and not only be a voice, but a great listener this community needs. We need laws that support our people. Not drive them away. We need lawmakers that listen. Many laws were passed in the legislature that does not support the wellbeing of our people, and unfortunately some of those laws were supported by the very people we voted into office. I am a Woman of my word and can be trusted with the life of our district. I am hope.



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It's time to plant the seeds of constructive political change. This requires thinking outside political Party boundaries. Although my views best align with the Libertarians (more freedom, less government), I'm basically independent. The issue, not the Party, must drive improvement efforts. The following is a very short summary of my goals. (www.ffogel.net for more.) Taxes – convert state income tax to flat percentages, eliminate sales tax on food and medicine. Environment – more effort on the interdiction and elimination of invasive species, and provide full-service recycle stations (dumps). Elections – implement voting online. Political – term limits for politicians, and extend legislative session from five months to ten, with no increase in politicians' salaries. Education – dissolve state school board in favor of separate island boards, voucher system. Prisons – focus on rehabilitation. Government – push authority down to the county level. Laws – let counties legalize gambling.



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As the current representative for House District 5, I have steadfastly championed our state's most economically disadvantaged residents and working families. I am committed to fighting for important policies like paid family leave, paid sick leave, tax fairness, and truly affordable housing. I am also devoted to growing green jobs, protecting our precious 'āina from predatory development, strengthening emergency preparedness, and enhancing climate resilience across our island home. Finally, I will always be a fierce advocate for women's rights, Native Hawaiian programs, access to quality health care, and civil liberties for our LGBTQ+ neighbors. In the face of great challenges, I know we can work together to create a more prosperous and sustainable future for our island home. I am dedicated to delivering leadership with aloha for your 'ohana and our community.



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I've lived in District 5 since I was four years old and am blessed to raise my children here. As a parent and West Hawaii's 2020 Teacher of the Year, I've experienced the need for change within several aspects of education. I will work for accountability, transparency, and fairness for all students and families within the school system. I stand for parental rights and believe that students and families deserve to be a part of educational decisions that impact them. I envision communities where families are respected and supported when it comes to their decisions on education, food sustainability, and community and land preservation. I believe that proper maintenance of public roadways and infrastructures should be a top priority. We need to take care of families who are fighting to keep Hawai'i as their home. We need to invest in our people NOW to ensure a promising future.

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I am humbled to serve Kona as your State Representative, from Kailua to Hōnaunau. In my first term, I passed legislation to protect Kona coffee and mac nuts, strengthen Hawai'i's defenses against invasive species, and grow community-based innovation and economic development. I also secured funding for long-overdue maintenance of local schools and Kona Community Hospital. I am strongly committed to all of Hawai'i Island as my family roots are from Hilo, Keaukaha, 'Ōpihikao, Ka'ū and Waipi'o. As a Native Hawaiian and mother, my work at the legislature is deeply meaningful, as Hawai'i is my home. I have proven that I will work each and every day for all of our families, so our next generations have a place in Hawai'i to continue to live and call home. Mahalo for your belief in the work I will continue to do at the Legislature.



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From Red to Blue, and everyone in between, we're united by the shared challenges we face as kama'aina. Despite our differences, it's time to put the people of Hawai'i FIRST. I am running for office to bring the voice of the people to the capital. We must take immediate action on housing, homelessness, education, and government overreach and over-spending. We also need to be tough on crime and have more rights on our land. I am a strong supporter of individual rights, fishing, hunting, farming, and your freedom to protect yourself, your family, and your property. I am a Hawai'i small business owner, earned a Bachelors of Science in criminal justice and continue to study at Kapi'olani Community College. I was a board member of the Hawaii Big Game Fishing Club and have worked for the Hawai'i Small Business Development Center.

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Aloha! As a U.S. Marine Combat Veteran and entrepreneur who created dozens of local jobs and revitalized a neglected shopping plaza in Kona, I am committed to serving Hawaii's District 7 with dedication. My volunteer leadership experience as Director on the Kailua Village Business Improvement District and church deacon reflects my commitment to community and family values. In the 2022 U.S. Senate Republican Primary, I proudly earned the majority vote on the Big Island, demonstrating broad support for my vision of economic growth, lower living costs, and affordable housing to build a sustainable future for our keiki in the Islands. My plans also include improving infrastructure and ensuring government spending accountability. If elected, I promise open and transparent communication, with regular engagement through emails, calls, and public forums – ensuring every resident's voice is heard and represented passionately in the State Legislature. Mahalo nui loa for your vote!



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Nicole Lowen has been representing West Hawaii in the State House since 2012, and has worked tirelessly for her district. Over the years, Nicole has brought home funding to improve schools, hospitals, to build the Kona Courthouse, and the HCC Palamanui Campus, among other things. As a former teacher, Nicole has fought for better pay for teachers and better schools for keiki, has worked towards providing more affordable housing and addressing the high cost of living in Hawaii. Nicole has worked hard to support working families, local farmers and businesses, and, as the Chair of the Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection, Nicole has prioritized protecting Hawaii's natural resources, renewable energy, and addressing the climate crisis. Nicole strives to always be responsive and available to her constituents and to communicate regularly. If re-elected, she will continue to serve with integrity, experience, and hard work.

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Aloha, I'm Monique Cobb-Adams Perreira, a proud native Hawaiian, US Navy veteran, and a dedicated small business owner. I'm also blessed to be a wife, mother, and grandmother. Growing up in Hawai'i has instilled in me a deep love for this place I call home. My mission is clear: to ensure that the people of Hawai'i not only survive but thrive for generations to come. As your candidate, I believe we need to limit government over reach in our lives and businesses. End Pay-to-play in our government, hold our elected and appointed officials accountable to do their jobs, and end corruption. I bring common sense, honesty and a commitment to finding REAL solutions to solve the many failed policy's that plague Hawai'i. Let's work together to bring about REAL change and secure a brighter future for our āina, keiki, and Hawai'i nei.



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Aloha. My name is David Tarnas and I am running for re-election as the State Representative for House District 8 - North and South Kohala. I have lived in the district about 38 years and my wife and I raised our two children in Waimea. I currently serve as the Chair of the House Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs and have served in office for five terms. I am committed to addressing the critical issues we face in our district including supporting affordable housing, public education, public safety, and environmental protection, as well as securing funds for the public highways, harbors, schools, libraries, hospitals, and other state facilities in our district. I will continue to work hard to help our families, children, kupuna, as well as the businesses that support our economy including agriculture, tourism, astronomy, healthcare, and knowledge-based businesses. For more information please see www.votetarnas.com. Mahalo!

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My dedication and mission to help with Maui's economic opportunity as I have done in the past 21 yrs, along with working on providing HOPE for Maui in the aftermath of the Lahaina Fires. By continuing on being active in our housing issues, also in fixing the electrical, road access for emergency infrastructure in South Maui along with helping to create higher paying jobs in the creative arts and technical field in the film industry as i've done. Working together to rebuild a better brighter future for our community. Helping to keep unification in our community, while focusing on small businesses, and maintaining our cultural traditions, and most of all, protecting our children from sex human trafficking, and protecting seniors from cyber scams and predators. I look forward to serving Maui Nui and the State Of Hawaii. contact: aileenlilyacain@gmail.com www.voteaileenlilyacain.com



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Aloha Neighbors, I work for you! Representing you is my privilege and honor. You deserve a representative who is #WorkingForThePeople, not corporations or lobbyists! I refuse their contributions. I'm #NotForSale. Talk is cheap. My results: \$53Million for affordable Kihei housing, schools, flood/fire mitigation, 200 new Kihei workforce, preschool and teacher #AffordableHousing units, requested 800 additional units for houseless and fire victims, while preserving environmental standards. I supported kūpuna, #Union and hospitality workers, striking nurses, teacher pay raises, #SchoolSafety, #GayRights, #LivingWage, #LocalFarmers, reducing student debt, expanded healthcare, #LowerTaxes and CNA/nurse education. #ProChoice: Democracy, freedom and #ReproductiveRights are on the ballot: As a primary introducer of Act2: I won't stand by while Democracy is attacked, and doctors and abortions are criminalized by (R)adical opponents. #Legalizelt. Protecting kūpuna, keiki, small businesses, disabled, our environment and #HumanRights is my job. I will stand up for YOU! Thank you for voting #TAmato

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I'm running for office because I love Maui and everything about this island that sets it apart from the rest of the world (including the rest of Hawaii). I'm a husband, a father of two young children, and was born and raised on Maui with four generations family here. After graduating from UH Manoa with a degree in Finance, I've navigated a successful career in project management over the past decade. Through my experience I have come to understand many of the core reasons for our state's exceptionally high cost of living. It saddens me when local families can no longer afford to live here and are forced to leave. My heart is to prioritize reducing the cost of living through state tax adjustments, incentivizing local homeownership, while preserving our values, liberties, land, resources, and restoring our community. I humbly ask for your vote to serve as your representative.



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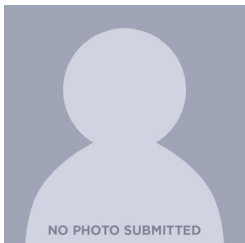
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We are amidst swift and unprecedented transformations that will forever reshape our lives. The relentless ferocity of climate change will persist, unleashing more intense storms, depleting reefs, and raising sea levels. AI will present challenges and opportunities for our existence. Upcountry Maui urgently requires a leader in the State House who possesses expertise in climate change, artificial intelligence, and social justice for all. We must cultivate resilience in the face of these challenges, and a leader is needed who comprehends the future and will equip us accordingly. Rita Ryan has actively engaged in numerous volunteer roles on Maui, including the Maui County Climate Action Advisory Committee, the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust Maui Council, former head of The Climate Reality Project, Hawaii Chapter, and 350Hawaii.org Maui coordinator. She has effectively spearheaded the movement to declare a Climate Emergency on Maui, subsequently joined by neighbor islands and the State. Vote Rita Ryan!



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As a conservative/common sense candidate for House Representative for District 13, I want to see Hawaii do better. Supporting legislation that is best for the people must be our priority. The focus these days must be on strengthening the economy; protecting our families, including parents' rights over their children; medical freedom; and upholding our constitutional rights, such as our first and second amendments, within our great state and constitutional republic. Without our God-given liberties remaining strong in our governmental affairs, we are at risk of losing them and giving way to other forms of government. Our system was founded on the principle of We the People being the governing body, the authority in our society. Lately we have gone sideways, but I can help restore our constitutional republic by sponsoring and voting for legislation that gives the power back to the people.



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Aloha! My name is Mahina Poepoe, and I am running for re-election to the State House of Representatives. Serving as your representative for the past two years has been a privilege and responsibility that I do not take lightly. I've worked hard to deliver on campaign promises with a voting record clearly reflective of my commitment to our people and 'āina. I've participated in introducing more than six-hundred measures including bills to protect cultural and natural resources, support small businesses and local food systems, expand access to healthcare, provide free meals in public schools, and improve public education, disaster preparedness, and government transparency and accountability. My focus remains to ensure that the quality of life for our residents and the health of our environment are brought to the forefront of decision-making. I humbly ask for your vote and continued support in the upcoming election. Ola i ka wai, Mahina

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The state of Hawaii and specifically the west side of Maui need a person that will represent "the people" and speak for the people. For too long the people of Maui have gone without their voices being heard. Corruption in the state of Hawaii is at an all-time high. Homelessness is at an all-time high. Drug use is at an all-time high. The cost of living is at an all-time high. Education is at an all-time low. Trans-gender males are competing in high school female sports. For over 60 years the Democratic party has ruled the state of Hawaii driving it in to a cesspool of filth. The state of Hawaii was recently recognized nationally as the "Least affordable" state in America. Let me be your voice in making this state the paradise it should be. I will fight for you.



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Aloha Voters in House District 14, It has been my honor and privilege to serve these past two years as your State House Representative. I thank-you from the bottom of my heart for your past support and look forward to your future support. I have gained much knowledge during the past two years as your State Rep which combined with my eight years of past County Council experience will prove to serve the needs of our communities brilliantly! As I continue to live in Lahaina where I have lived all my life, my heart and soul hurts deeply for the hugest loss none of us could ever imagine. As WE rebuild, yes it will take all of us to accomplish this. Know that the ENTIRE House District 14 from end to end will be cared for. Have confidence that my office as always will be open, responsive and transparent!

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David Moranz My current role working with family and family business. Ultimate goal how can I help the community and the state of hawaii. Achievements maritime captain, fire fighter pacific missile range, heavy equipment operator, plant operator, equipment trouble shooter and repairs, I have hands on experience on making things work.



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It's an honor to serve as District 15's State Representative. My interest in public service began 14 years ago when I first ran for the Kaua'i County Council. My goal at that time was to "work for a better Kaua'i." I served for three years on the County Council, three years as Managing Director, and eight years in the State House. For the past two years, I've served as Majority Leader. By building affordable housing, caring for our lands and waters, implementing universal preschool education, diversifying our economy, and helping families most in need, we can flourish and improve our quality of life. I humbly ask for your vote so I can continue the important work ahead: redeveloping the Kapa'a public housing, implementing the Mahelona Master Plan for more affordable housing and public services, reducing visitor traffic by implementing transportation hubs, and supporting locally-grown food.

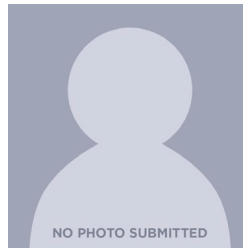




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I've lived on Kaua'i my entire life, and I've had the honor of serving on the Kaua'i County Council for four years and in the Hawai'i State House of Representatives for the past two. My mission is simple: to make housing affordable and improve our quality of life. We need homes for local families, not just luxury developments. By simplifying regulations, encouraging residential development in and around our existing towns, enhancing pedestrian infrastructure, and supporting multigenerational households, we can build vibrant, sustainable communities. This will lower housing costs, keep families together, reduce carbon emissions, and reduce inequality. It will also protect our agricultural lands and ease traffic congestion. Together, we can ensure that future generations can afford to live here, our environment is preserved, and our communities thrive. I'm committed to making this vision a reality and would be honored to have your support.



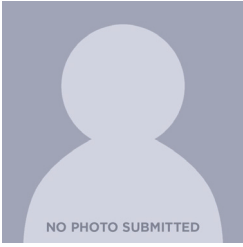
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I have served as a State Representative for 14 years. Prior to running for office I worked in County government for 36 years. My whole adult life has been dedicated to public service. I have attended every day of the legislative session for all 14 years. As a senior member I continue to be engaged in promoting good legislation and doing my best to address our district needs and concerns. Becoming House Majority Floor Leader has shown the trust and confidence by colleagues in my ability to perform the responsibilities of that position, and all that experience and seniority allows me to serve the public better. Looking back at our accomplishments and looking forward at what's to come, gives me a heart full of satisfaction and a sense of achievement. I'm grateful for and appreciative of constituents' confidence in my service, and would like to continue being your Representative.

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Born and raised on Oahu, Tina Nakada Grandinetti, PhD., is running to help build a future where local families can afford to live in Hawaii and raise our keiki to care for our precious lands and waters. She has dedicated her career to understanding Hawaii's housing and homelessness crisis, and as a postdoctoral fellow working at a national policy institute, she brings valuable experience advancing equitable housing policies that meet the needs of working families. Previously, she managed the office of Representative Perruso, where she worked closely with advocates to draft & advance policies on housing, food systems, education, and tax fairness. Tina also has a demonstrated record of organizing with community to educate youth, prevent the displacement of local families, Shut Down Red Hill, and protect 'āina for future generations. She strongly believes that good governance brings us all together to work toward the common good.



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Aloha, My name is Corinne Solomon. I am a mom, wife, and neighbor, not a career politician. As a first generation American raised in my family's restaurant, I learned a strong work ethic early on. With a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of the Pacific, I worked in Oahu hospitals before retiring to focus on my family. If elected, I will focus on the following: cost of living, community, and clarity in legislation. I will vote no on laws that increase living costs and will advocate for government reform to reduce expenses. I will listen to your needs and be a voice for our community. I pledge to donate 20% of my salary back to District 20—learn more about my "20 for 20" pledge on my website. With your vote, together we can make Hawai'i affordable again. It would be an honor to represent you. Mahalo!

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As a fourth generation Japanese American born and raised in this district, I am proud to call District 21 my home and am honored to serve as its representative for four years. Driven by a vision to build a Hawaii where local families can stay and thrive, I've advocated for legislation to grow affordable housing for locals, increase funding for public education programs, and eliminate bureaucratic inefficiencies. If elected to serve another term, I hope to work on these issues as well others like healthcare workforce development, condominium governance, and converting underutilized state properties to affordable housing.



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Aloha! It is an honor to have the opportunity to ask for your vote so that I may serve you in the State House of Representatives. It is the season to correct the root of our grave concerns so that we can actualize the betterment of our community. Thousands local families fled the islands last year alone citing the cost of living as the reason. We must have economic relief through the lowering and restructuring of our taxes. We also need the elimination of excessive, debilitating, regulations and policies. Legislation must be tough on crime, and be protective of families--the foundation of strong communities. Our politicians have been negligent in their spending of our money and have been careless with policy when it comes to serving the best interests of their constituents. Its time to make change and create a Hawai'i our children don't have to flee.

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It has been the honor of a lifetime serving District 22 as your state representative, and I am deeply grateful for the trust you have placed in me. In my first term, we achieved significant progress by passing historic tax cuts to support working families, continued needed investments in public education and took tangible steps to strengthen our healthcare system. However, our work is far from over. I have dedicated my entire professional career to public service, and I am seeking re-election to continue the momentum we've built in tackling some of Hawai'i's most intractable issues. As the father of two beautiful daughters, I am deeply committed to ensuring that their generation can thrive here in Hawai'i and are not forced to leave the islands to pursue opportunities elsewhere. Together, let's keep pushing forward for a brighter future for all. Mahalo for your support!



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Jillian Anderson – the “let’s actually get things done” choice. At age three I moved to Waikiki, attended Sacred Hearts Academy from K-12, and graduated summa cum laude from UH Manoa having studied three business disciplines (finance, marketing, and entrepreneurship) and history. In just a few short years, many aspects of our state have become unrecognizable. Costs are unbearable, homelessness is rampant, crime is commonplace, our infrastructure is crumbling, and quality of life is on the decline. For three legislative sessions I have been in the trenches working for our State House (first as a Legislative Analyst and presently as the Chief-of-Staff for the House Minority Policy Leader) and am involved with our community as a member of our Waikiki Neighborhood Board. We can no longer just idly watch our many problems worsen – we need action. Learn more about what I’d do at: www.jillianforhawaii.com or @jillianforhawaii (Instagram).



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My name is Adrian Tam. Born and raised right here in Honolulu, I am a proud graduate of Kalani High School. After graduating from Penn State, I returned home to work for my family’s small business. Inspired by my community and desire to see positive change, I found my way into public service at the Hawaii State Legislature. After several years as a staffer, I was honored to be elected your State Representative in 2020 during the height of COVID-19 pandemic. My mission is simple: make life better for my neighbors. This means addressing public safety, noise pollution, and cost of living while securing crucial funding for important projects for our neighborhood. My other priorities include critical issues facing the state, such as homelessness, economic diversification, affordable housing, and protecting our environment. It would be an honor to serve you again, and I humbly ask for your support.





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I have been married for 31 years with 3 adult sons and a thriving real estate career. I am a homeowner, business owner, and an investor. I was born and raised in Philippines. My parents are second-generation Chinese immigrants. I am alumni of the University of Hawaii, Manoa. I am well connected with our local churches and a member of the Honolulu Board of Realtors. My work ethics, integrity, hard work, passion, and strong background in business operations will be a great asset and contribution to our State. My top goals include safeguarding and promoting the welfare our children; reducing crime, illegal drug use, bureaucratic red tape, and unnecessary spending of taxpayer's money; managing our homelessness. My ethics include transparency, responsibility, and accountability. I am running for office to give back and make a difference in the lives of the people of Hawaii. I humbly ask for your support.



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I've worked hard to create open, responsive communication with neighbors to best represent your interests at the Legislature and assist with community needs. I'm committed to continuing frequent mail, email, and phone correspondence as well as community meetings and sponsoring bills with residents to give voice to your priorities. As Vice Chair of the Health & Homelessness Committee, I focused on medical workforce shortages, expanding mental health and substance abuse programs, homeless services based on lasting continuums of care, and long-term care options to help kupuna age in place. There is much more work to be done on these issues plus community concerns about crime, cost of living, housing, and preserving the character and quality of our neighborhoods that I will continue to address if re-elected. It has been a privilege to represent this district and I humbly ask for your support again. Thank you for your consideration.

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OBJECTIVE: To secure a thriving future for our community and all of Hawai'i through principled leadership. **FAMILY:** - Lardizabal Family (mother's side) from Tagudin, Ilocos Sur - Hussey Family (father's side) from Kohala, Hawaii Island - Spouse & three children **WORK:** - Developer of community-owned solar projects and climate change technology - Previously: Hawaii State Legislature; **UNITE HERE Local 5 NON-PROFIT BOARDS:** - Domestic Violence Action Center (Treasurer) - Hanahau'oli School - Hawaii Housing Development Corporation - HAPA - Kalihi Valley Neighborhood Board - Aina Aloha Economic Futures (Treasurer) **EDUCATION:** - MA, Political Science (UH Manoa) - BA, Peace & Futures Studies (UH Manoa) **HOBBIES:** - Musician - Learning new things (science in particular) **KEY ISSUES:** - Ending corruption - Addressing the root causes of homelessness and housing insecurity - Parking management, roads, pedestrian safety - Crime and safety - Proper allocation of state budget



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I'm running for office because: I am a public servant and caring for our community is what the Lord has called me to do. Godly values are no longer evident in our government and leadership. Missing are the basic things like, don't lie, don't cheat, don't steal, and don't kill. For the last decade I've been working at the Legislature, serving our community and State, and I don't see things getting better. People are leaving, businesses are closing, crime is out of control, and our community is suffering. I've grown up in this community, Ma'ema'e Elementary, Kamehameha Intermediate and High. Worked for New Hope, at the State Capitol, Kamehameha Schools Preschools, and Kalihi Union Church. Served on the Neighborhood Board, and Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center Board for over a decade. I love my community it would be an honor to represent you, please vote for Kaapu, Carole Kauhiwai.

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Shirley is an experienced public servant with a decade of service in her professional career. She served seven years with the City and County of Honolulu, City Council Legislature resolving public concerns, spearheading community projects, and monitoring city legislation. Shirley then embarked in entrepreneurship to help local businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic. With her business partner, they established 'Ilima Marketing, a digital marketing agency to specifically help mom-and-pop shops. Shirley expanded her government career by serving two consecutive sessions at the Hawaii State Legislature analyzing, processing and crafting state legislative bills and resolutions. Shirley is a committed and passionate public servant who volunteers to uplift various communities. She is on the Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board, Farrington High School School Community Council, and is the Chair-Woman with the Democratic Party House District 30 Council. She is also the co-founder of Keeping Up With Kalihi, an online group dedicated to empowering Kalihi.

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Aloha! My name is Linda Ichiyama and it has been an honor to serve as your State Representative since 2010. I was born and raised in Salt Lake and I am proud to call it home. I graduated from Salt Lake Elementary School, Moanalua Middle School, Moanalua High School, then went on to Georgetown University and UH Manoa William S. Richardson School of Law. I work closely with our area legislators to improve our schools, like the new MoHS Performing Arts Center and baseball/softball field. I humbly ask for your support in this 2024 election. Please feel free to contact me at repichiyama@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.



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Aloha, I am Nancy Valdez. I am 55 and reside in the Moanalua/Salt Lake area, District 31. As a candidate for the Hawai'i House Representative seat in District 31, I pledge to be a trustworthy and reliable advocate for our community. My mission is to listen to and address the concerns of community members with transparency and accountability. Our community deserves a leader who will take immediate action to address issues, respond to complaints, promote safety, welcoming new ideas and approaches to improve our community's well-being and quality of life. Mahalo, Nancy Valdez

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BALLOT NAME:

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Aloha. I am running for reelection to State House of Representatives to continue to represent the residents of District 32. For my whole life, 35 short years, I have seen my mom, Senator Donna Mercado Kim, make a positive impact, making Hawaii a better place for me to live. It is now time for my generation to step up. I have lived in Moanalua my whole life. Our community deserves leadership from the community that is honest, transparent, and accountable. I will work tirelessly to build trust with the people I serve and to ensure that their voices are heard in every decision I make. I will be a strong, effective voice, advocating for policies that make sense, and ensuring that our government serves the people, relying on my 8 years of experience as a attorney. I am honored to serve and thank you for your consideration and vote.



BALLOT NAME:

SHIMIZU, Garner Musashi

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Aloha Friends, Inspired by a deep call to serve our community, I'm excited to announce my candidacy for the 2024 election. In 2022, we were just 246 votes away from a significant change, despite a late start. This shows the incredible potential we have together. Now, more than ever, we need integrity and leadership in our government. I'm committed to making a positive impact not just today, but for future generations. I am a business, community and church leader with 30+ years of experience. By managing a family business and holding elected positions as President of the Moanalua Valley Community Association and the Sheet Metal Contractors Association, I have gained essential skills needed to serve and make decisions benefiting others. I humbly ask for your continued trust, support, and prayers. We can change the course of our destiny, but I can't do it without your vote. Mahalo, Garner Shimizu

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Hello my name is Gaius please feel free to call me Kipi. I live in pearl city, pacific palisades. As you may wonder. why should you vote for someone like me? what do I bring to the table? what changes can I make? what do I know? These are all great questions but I can't answer them with the 150 words I'm allowed to fit in this box. What I can tell you is that I'm not happy with how our politicians, our government leaders and the people in charge are doing to our home, our communities. You voting for me means you are hiring me to work for you, Im in this community you will see me walking, you will see me catching the bus, which means you will be able to personally explain your needs and wants to me. A real voice of the people. Thank you



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Gregg Takayama has served in the State House for 12 years, after a career as an award-winning journalist and communications director for the late U.S. Senator Dan Inouye and UH-Manoa. His legislative accomplishments include authoring laws for State assistance to family caregivers (the first in the nation), creation of the corrections oversight commission to improve prisons and jails, and clamping down on illegal aerial fireworks through a State task force. Gregg has secured more than \$60 million for improvements to Pearl City schools for new classrooms, modern education technology and air-conditioning. His re-election is endorsed by the Hawaii State Teachers Association. He helped increase State funding for senior programs that enable frail elderly to live safely at home, with delivered meals, home care services and transportation. Gregg has been honored by the AARP with its top Capitol Caregiver Award and the Alzheimer's Association for helping those suffering dementia.





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What is your vision? What are your hopes and dreams for Hawaii? What are our children's visions? What are the hopes and dreams for our Keiki of Hawaii? Knowledge is key and applied knowledge unlocks the doors to pono choices to Aloha Hawaii.



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Aloha, As State Representative for District 37, I've worked hard to ensure that the residents in our community feel heard, valued, and supported. In the past two years, we've improved neighborhood safety, restored school bus services, reopened the Mililani hockey rink, cleared the Kipapa gulch homeless encampment, and protected our keiki from the harms of e-cigarettes. But there's more to do. I'm running for a second term in 2024 to continue fighting for the issues that matter most. Policies I'll continue to champion will focus on prioritizing public safety, addressing housing affordability and cost of living, investing in our schools, supporting local businesses, and ensuring better healthcare and transportation access for our community. As a mom raising my kids in our district, I'm committed to ensuring our community remains the best place to live and raise our families. Together, we can make a real difference. In service, Trish

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It has been a privilege serving Mililani as your representative for the past 12 years. Born and raised in this community and now raising my own family, this community is my heart. I proudly attended Mililani's schools and went on to receive my Bachelors from University of Hawai'i, Masters from Hawai'i Pacific University and Doctorate from Argosy University. My education, coupled with my legislative experience, equips me to represent our district effectively. Since being elected in 2012, I have worked to gain the experience necessary to serve you and be an effective representative in the legislature. Open communication with you remains my top priority, ensuring your voices shape policy on important issues such as the high cost of living, housing, homelessness, crime and government transparency. However, it's my unwavering commitment and connection to Mililani that truly qualifies me and it would be an honor to continue to serve you.



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Mililani is the best town in Hawaii. It has been a safe haven for three generations of my family, and I'm committed to ensuring that it can foster and inspire many generations to come. We can address the cost of living crisis by providing resources for housing, food and agriculture, education, and transportation. Mililani needs representation that will focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion for all of our citizens. Organized labor, livable wages, universal health care, women's rights, and ensuring a safe and welcoming environment for people of all colors and faiths are essential for a vibrant and thriving democracy. With your support, I will be a collaborative, accessible, transparent, and an effective Legislator representing you in the Hawai'i State Capitol.

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Aloha Neighbor! You are the priority. Serving you is what it is all about. My goals are for our community to have: -less crime -lower cost of living -less expensive housing -less homelessness -better education -less traffic If given the opportunity to serve you for another two years, these will be my focus points. Please continually connect with me by calling/texting my personal cell: (808)-258-3235. I would love to hear from you.



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Corey Rosenlee is committed to fighting for working families and delivering a brighter future for generations to come. He has been a social studies teacher at Campbell High School for almost twenty years. Under his guidance, thousands of West O'ahu children have learned the importance of civic engagement, community problem-solving, and social responsibility. From 2015-2021, Corey served as the President of the Hawai'i State Teachers Association, where he worked to increase school funding, raise teacher pay, and provide air conditioning to cool our public education system's overheated classrooms. He is currently a member of the 'Ewa Neighborhood Board. From affordable housing to traffic mitigation to emergency preparedness, Corey understands the essential issues impacting our state. A lifelong champion of Hawai'i's most vulnerable people, he is ready to restore integrity to local government and provide real solutions to the problems faced by residents of our island home.

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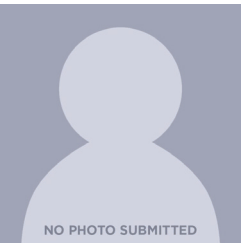
As the current State House Representative of district 40. I am seeking re- election to continue the projects I have started in my district. Ongoing and future constructions will be underway as a result of the capital improvement projects I was able to secure for all the schools in my district. I also introduced and co introduced several bills and a couple of resolutions that have passed and will be adapted into law that will provide positive impact in the community. Aside from funding school projects, I was also able to secure funding from Grant in Aid for Weed and Seed, Hawaii Humane Society and Kuleana Coral Restoration. There are other accomplishments that were done such as installing a shelter in one of the bus stops in Hanakahi Street and providing solutions to complaints by constituents. I will continue to work hard for my district.



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My name is Julie Reyes Oda and I am running for office because I believe that we can do better to secure our future in Hawai'i. Our community comes first. As your next state representative, I am committed to being your voice in the State House. If elected, I will fight for good schools, good jobs, safe communities, a strong economy, cutting government waste, and transparency in government. I will be an independent voice for our community and I humbly ask for your support. Please visit JulieReyesOda.com to learn more about me.



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As your independent candidate for the State House in the 40th district of Hawaii, I am committed to demanding accountability and delivering results for our community. We deserve leadership that fights for fair treatment and takes decisive action. I am determined to address the critical issues facing our district. From ensuring transparency and fairness in our utility rates to protecting our environment and ensuring safe, clean water, I will work tirelessly for solutions that benefit us all. Our community deserves more attention and respect. We need to make Ewa Beach a vibrant hub with more community events and stronger local leadership. It's time for Ewa Beach, Ewa, Westlock, and Iroquois Point to get the recognition and support they deserve. Let's make it happen. P.S. Describing this image for the visually impaired, my speech and expression, featuring diverse cultural symbols, flags, and flowers behind me in hunting camouflage. ALOHA

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Aloha, I am David Alcos, deeply rooted in our Ewa Beach community for five generations. With a background in contracting and coaching, I have dedicated over 20 years to serving our community. I am committed to making our state a better place to live, focusing on education, safety, access, homelessness, and community well-being. I am passionate about creating a brighter future for all. Thank you for your support as I continue striving to make positive changes for our community and future generations.



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Serving country, community, and you... After serving in our nation's Navy for 30 years and now entering my 10th year serving on the 'Ewa Neighborhood Board, my commitment to community and love of service continues to grow. District 41 ('Ewa Beach, 'Ewa Gentry, Ocean Pointe, Kala'eloa, part of Ko Olina) is one of the most diverse and densely populated areas on Oahu. I want to ensure our growing community is proactively preparing for long-range success. That means working collaboratively with other lawmakers and focusing on increasing the number of jobs in our Community; seeking solutions for safer neighborhoods; supporting plans for affordable housing; and ensuring a quality education for our youth. I have a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management, a Master's Degree in Contract Management, and I am a business owner and founder of a local non-profit organization. My goal: continue serving country, community, and you!

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Aloha Kākou, Mahalo for taking the time to read through Hawaii's new voter guide. My name is Diamond Garcia and I'm truly humbled to have had the opportunity of representing you and your 'Ohana in the House of Representatives over these last two years. Since being elected by the people in our community in 2022, I'm happy to report that we've hit the ground running, championing the issues important to our West O'ahu families. I humbly ask for your support and vote to be re-elected to the House of Representatives so that we can continue fighting against Hawaii's political machine, while working to get things done for our community. We can no longer sit by, electing the same type of politicians who keep increasing our cost of living while watching local families pack up and move to the US continent. Mahalo for your consideration! Ke Akua Pū (GodBlessYou)



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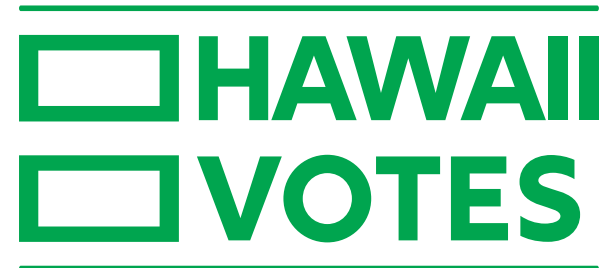
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Aloha: I'm Anthony Makana Paris. Raised in Nānākuli and now a homeowner in Kapolei, I come from a labor family, and I have worked with the ironworkers for the last 13 years. I have degrees in engineering, theology, and law from MIT, Santa Clara, and UH's Richardson School of Law. I serve our community as Chair of the Makakilo/Kapolei/Honokai Hale Neighborhood Board, First Vice President of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, and Board Member for the Wai'anae Coast Comprehensive Health Center. Our communities struggle with grueling traffic, unaffordable housing, crime, disappearing jobs, aging and climate-vulnerable infrastructure, and underfunded education. Addressing these means building a place for local families by addressing food security; expanding shoreline parks and protecting watersheds; repairing infrastructure; finishing Honolulu Rail; and funding OHA and DHHL as part of a statewide solution for affordable housing. Together, we can leave Hawai'i better for future generations. Mahalo!





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Aloha, my name is Desiré De Soto. I am a proud lifelong resident of Mākaha and a product of Hawai'i's public schools. I attended Mākaha Elementary, Wai'anae Intermediate, and Pearl City High School ('91), where I excelled in swimming on a district exception. My commitment to our community is unwavering. After earning a bachelor's degree from Whitworth College ('96), I returned to Wai'anae as a teacher and later pursued school counseling at Chaminade University ('01). My goal has always been to provide the best support for keiki in our community, a mission deeply rooted in my kupuna's teachings. I completed a Ph.D. in organizational psychology, during which I supported the creation of the Wai'anae to Whitworth 'Auwai and Papahana 'o Kaiona (ALP). As a dedicated school counselor, I will continue to advocate for our residents' social, emotional, physical, mental, and economic well-being. For more information, visit www.desiredesoto.com.



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I can help create the change we need to get our community ALOHA back. I would love to hear from you and earn your vote.

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As a native of central O’ahu, I am passionate about representing the communities in which I grew up. I attended Kanoelani Elementary and Hanalani Schools before earning a bachelor’s degree in business administration with an emphasis in accounting from the University of Hawaii – West O’ahu. I was raised across central O’ahu including Whitmore, Wahiawa, Mililani & Waipio. In 2021, My wife, two boys and I purchased an old plantation-style home in Wahiawa, bringing my journey full circle. As an active community member and father of a young family in Wahiawa, I’ve observed that our people want to know their representative hears them and is working hard to preserve their way of life. I would be honored to protect and preserve our district for our children in the years to come.



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I will continue to fight for clean elections and honest government. It is imperative that we lay a solid foundation of good governance so that we can mitigate the effects of the climate crisis in ways that just and equitable, and center community well-being through the creation of food and energy sovereignty, more robust support for public health and public education, thoughtful development of truly affordable housing and better stewardship of our public trust resources like wai and ‘āina. I will always prioritize those who are most vulnerable, and will continue to work to foster public confidence in government through intentional work around truth-telling and relationship building. I know that my community is willing to engage in the hard work that will be necessary to make this a government about which we can justly feel both proud and protective, and I am honored to do this work with you.





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"Servant Leadership" – Listening and supporting your goals, security and livelihood. I am a retired firefighter and a civil servant by nature. I believe in protecting our children, parents' rights and our religious beliefs. I support the sanctity of women's sports and their right to privacy, our right to self-defense and the rule of law that protects our family and neighbors. I do not support mandatory vaccines, masks or lockdowns. We must eliminate wasteful government spending, install term limits and our government needs to be more efficient. Housing, food and gas prices are unacceptable. I want what is best for my family and I am sure you do as well. In the past I have struggled financially and worried about the future and it's a dreadful feeling. As a servant, I hope to lead our community to a better life.



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Eight years ago I was elected to represent the North Shore and Ko'olauloa with two very concrete goals – fix the drainage at Kahuku High, and get a bypass road at Laniakea. We finished our drainage project in 2020, and construction of the Laniakea bypass will commence this summer. I can't thank all of you enough for your support through the years, and as always if you have an issue please give me a call, I will get back to you as soon as humanly possible. Mahalo nui loa, Sean

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Aloha, my name is Asheemo Nefertiti Daily. I'm 21 years old and running for State Representative of District 48. I graduated from Castle High School and am a member of the Green Party. I value the voices of our community, and my intention is to uplift and empower youth to take responsible action towards the golden future of Hawai'i that we want to see manifest. Aloha 'Āina—let us return the people to the land.



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Aloha! My name is Lisa Kitagawa and I have the privilege of serving as the State Representative for House District 48 since 2018. I am born and raised in Kāne'ohe and attended Ben Parker Elementary, King Intermediate, and Castle High Schools. I also attended the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and received a bachelor's degree in Family Resources and a master's degree in Higher Education Administration. I currently serve as the Vice Chair of the Finance Committee. Over the last 6 years, I have been able to support our district by introducing and passing legislation that supports our community's schools, protects our natural resources, including Kāne'ohe Bay and our Ko'olau Mountain watershed, and bringing in approximately \$240 million in operating and capital improvement project funding for my communities. I have also addressed community issues, such as our growing homeless population, concerns over cesspools, and little fire ant infestations.

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Representative Scot Matayoshi has served District 49 for six years. He is currently Chair of the Labor and Government Operations Committee, where he seeks to fill vacant state positions to improve government services, set labor policy to balance both public and private interests, and improve government efficiency. Rep. Matayoshi has brought in over \$125 million in district projects since he took office, the majority of that for our schools. He has organized drive thru flu shot clinics, war memorial restorations, ewaste recycle drives, stream cleanups, and Castle Complex school supply drives. During the pandemic, Rep. Matayoshi brought the Farm to Car program to Windward Mall, allowing farmers to safely sell produce boxes directly to residents. He also passed Farm to State legislation, requiring the State to purchase an increasing percentage of its produce from local sources. If reelected, Rep. Matayoshi will continue to fight for our district.



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After seeing the legislation session firsthand, I wanted to become one of the voices that will help shape the current and future Hawai'i we want to see. Although I lack true political experience, I have something I feel is equally important: a deep lover for the community and a desire to push for the betterment of our home and our people. Through my content on social media, I've been able to make the people of Hawai'i laugh. I am now asking to give me a chance to make the people proud. Mahalo for your vote! Josiah "BrahKruz" Ubando

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I am Brigadier General (Ret) Tim Connelly and I'm running to represent District 50 in the Hawaii House of Representatives because Kailua and Hawaii need an inspiring leader with the courage to drive drastic improvements in Hawaii. I have led American Soldiers in combat in Iraq and Afghanistan and through a global pandemic with enormous success. I will fight to protect our citizens, reduce crime and homelessness, grow our economy, educate our children, improve our infrastructure, and overhaul our emergency disaster response system. I am a father to two amazing daughters and a foster parent of three years. COST OF LIVING IS TOP OF MIND IN HAWAII! We must lower it to help keep our families and our children from having to move to the Mainland. I will fully support our police, first responders and the Hawaii National Guard. I am the strategic leader we need for District 50.



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My name is Mike Lee and I live with my wife and 2 sons on Kālaheo Hillside. Kailua is our home and where my family was born and raised. I am running to represent you in the State Legislature to improve residential life on the windward side by strengthening our education system, getting tough on crime, easing burdensome taxes, and protecting our natural resources. I am an educator, small business owner, and community leader. I have extensive experience advancing community initiatives with government, local businesses, non-profits, and schools. As a member of this community, I understand the daily challenges facing our residents. My priorities will focus on and address the concerns of Kailua and Kāne'ohe neighbors like you. I humbly ask you for your support in this election. Let's work together to protect our way of life on the windward side for generations to come.

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I am Luana Alapa running for re-election as Trustee for OHA Molokai- Lanai. As a native Hawaiian woman I am blessed with a position to serve our Hawaiian beneficiaries in the following ways: Education, housing, health & economic stability. I am committed to ensuring these objectives are met. One of my goals as Trustee is to partner with other Hawaiian agencies in working towards supporting initiatives for affordable housing- home repairs, expanding healthcare in rural areas, offering mental health services which are badly needed on my island of Molokai, increasing funds for educational scholarships, and vocational training for our Lahui. As a homesteader in Ho'olehua I understand these challenges as I am currently facing them myself. Together with your support we can create a brighter future for our Lahui. When Hawaiians thrive, all of Hawaii thrives. Being of service to others is the greatest gift you can give.



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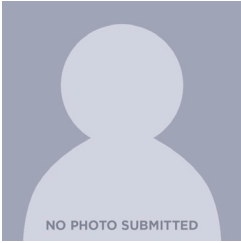
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O Kunani Nihipali ko'u inoa, a descendant of Kalawao and a Beneficiary of Ho'olehua Homestead, Molokai. Presently, we live in a very polarized society. The 1993 Apology Law, 31 years ago guarantees us Native Hawaiians a path of Reconciliation, but as Native Hawaiians, we've experienced an empty Apology, feeling censored, coerced & co-opted politically, economically, socially & culturally. An Apology is more than Recognition and needs to restore equity onto Native Hawaiians as these historical grievances have proven to be very detrimental. We have shared peacefully with the Peoples of Hawaii, and the world, since the first Foreigners stepped foot upon our Nation's shores. Reconciliation, not divisiveness is that path towards equitable solutions from historic injustices. Cultural sensitivity is important, otherwise planning is only half a plan that will help to restore faith in Iokahi.

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When does Hawaii stop being Hawaii? When there are no Hawaiians? Today more than 65% of Hawaiians are living outside of Hawaii. The situation is critical. The patient is dying. We need to stop the hemorrhaging. We must adapt and act urgently and creatively to use our resources to fill the gaps and keep our families whole and at home. For over three decades I have lived and served here on our beloved Kauai. I have worked tirelessly to help our families. My love for the children and their families is what drives me. Today, we still suffer from the same economic genocide that we spoke of decades ago. My goal is to listen, assess your needs, identify available resources, plan and execute. If elected, I will triage the patient, find the wounds and apply pressure. I am here. Let me be your advocate, your champion. vote lindsey4kauai Mahalo

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Understanding the fiduciary duty of a Trustee, I want to help carry out the purposes for which this public trust was created/established by the Federal government in 1959 Pub. L. No.8603, Sec. 5. Stat. 4,5(1959) of the Congressional Record set aside 203,500 acres to BENEFIT the Native people, and states: "One of the five purposes for which the public trust is to be carried out is for the "BETTERMENT OF THE CONDITIONS OF NATIVE HAWAIIANS(NH)." The 1978 Constitutional Convention recognized that NH had no other homeland, and thus needed protection for their Existence/Subsistence (Language, Culture, Gathering rights, etc.) The State of Hawaii leases most of these lands and does not give the 20% of its Net revenue for the "BETTERMENT OF THE CONDITIONS OF NATIVE HAWAIIANS." Quote from Civil Beat: "Half of Oahu's homeless population identified themselves as NH.". More than 60% of NH moved out of their homeland:(



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Keli'i Akina, Ph.D. is currently an OHA Trustee at large and President/CEO of the Grassroot Institute. As a watchdog and reformer, he has devoted himself to restoring integrity in OHA and opposing fraud, waste and abuse. Trustee Akina was successful in obtaining an independent forensic review of OHA and for implementing key reforms. Akina's mission for the trust fund of OHA is to protect the trust, grow the trust, and use the trust to meet the needs of Hawaiians for housing, jobs, education, and healthcare. Trustee Akina is an independent voice who speaks up for OHA's beneficiaries. He also works with other trustees to meet the needs of Hawaiians and believes OHA can be a force for good for all people, both Hawaiians and non-Hawaiians. Trustee Akina has served on numerous boards and organizations. He is a graduate of Kamehameha Schools, Northwestern University and the University of Hawaii.

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Aloha Hawai'i Island, On July 1, 2023, I left my position as Vice President of Hawai'i Island Community Health Center to run for Mayor of Hawai'i County. I've been meeting with thousands of community members and gaining support island wide. My three-part platform of LIVE, WORK, PLAY will focus on the needs of our residents. I come well qualified with the... -Most CEO Leadership Experience and over 30yrs of community service to Hawaii Island. -Worked in 3 levels of Govt. (County, State, Federal) and Community. -Expertise in Health, Mental Health, Addiction, Parenting, and Problem-Solving. Check out my priorities on my website at kimoformayor.com and my Facebook/IG account @drkimoalameda. We need change and we need change now! Let's Save Hawaii And Keep Aloha! Mahalo



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Serving as your mayor has been the honor of a lifetime. Since 2020, we've worked to create a sustainable Hawai'i Island where future generations can thrive. Through our first term, we've focused on building homes for local families, enhancing critical infrastructure, and enriching community resources to elevate the quality of life for all residents. Our efforts have expanded the affordable housing pipeline to over 8,200 homes and transformed our building permitting process from the nation's worst to the state's best. By December, we will have paved more than 100 miles of roadways islandwide and will begin the largest infrastructure project in county history by overhauling the Hilo Wastewater Treatment Plant. We've also quadrupled the Parks' maintenance budget to enhance access, amenities, and safety for all. With your support, we will continue investing in the people and places that make our island home so special. Mahalo for your consideration.





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Matt Kanealii-Kleinfelder lives in Ola'a and is the current Councilman for District 5. He is a Father of three children and a small business owner with experience in the trades and customer service. He continuously promotes education, arts and agriculture. In response to community concerns, Matt increased Police Positions in Puna, passed laws allowing for County Maintenance of private roads, improved Stainback Highway, and provided free towing of Abandoned Vehicles from private property. He initiated the New Police and Fire Station in Kea'au, new Kea'au Community Center, Shipman Park Master plan, and a new Kea'au Mass Transit Hub. Given the increasing population growth in our area, he understands the importance of planning legacy projects for our future generations. Matt is a humble candidate with integrity and the only candidate who has effectively created changes that increase our quality of life! Mahalo & VOTE MATT!



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Aloha! My name is Ikaika Rodenhurst and I'm running to be our Hawaii County Councilmember for District 5, Puna Mauka. I am here to bring hope to Puna at a time when we need leadership that will show up and fight for a better Puna. I'm a father of three, a football coach, and a licensed civil engineer. My core values are integrity, commitment, and compassion. My top priorities are to improve infrastructure, build community resilience and enhance public safety. I am a team player who is willing and able to work with anyone and everyone necessary to meet the needs of our community. Any councilmember, mayor, legislator, administrative official, business, or citizen. We are all in the same canoe and need to paddle together to move our Hawaii island forward to provide opportunity and a future for our children and future generations. I humbly ask for your vote

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BALLOT NAME:

EVANS, Cindy

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We cannot assume that the economy will provide monies for government services or salaries for people to make ends meet. I will support activities and laws that improve the ability of farmers, ranchers, and small businesses to succeed. I will oppose initiatives that add tax burdens to these people. Evans served in the Hawai'i State House for 16 years holding leadership positions as Chair of committees and served as Majority Floor Leader. She brings planning and policy development experience in efforts to find effective solutions and to shift priorities as needed. Evans received her Bachelors of Arts degree in Business Administration from Evergreen State College. Evans has lived in South Kohala for 26 years. Born and raised in a farming culture in Illinois. She is first generation college graduate. Mahalo for your consideration.



BALLOT NAME:

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Aloha kākou! My name is James Hustace and I am seeking your support to represent the communities of North and South Kohala. My goal is to work with fellow community members in an effort to enhance County services, learn from our kūpuna, listen to constituents, and develop strong relations with community organizations. I have a deep connection to Hawai'i. I grew up in Waimea and over the years sought ways to contribute to my community through leadership roles with the Waimea Community Association, South Kohala Traffic Safety Committee, County Redistricting Commission, and Waimea Trails & Greenways. Our communities face challenges, and we must work together with our County, State, and Federal partners, finding solutions to safeguard our residents, strengthen our infrastructure, and care for the 'āina. Let's work together and provide North and South Kohala with representation rooted in community. Mahalo for your consideration. Learn more at hustaceforcouncil.com. Imua!

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During my first three terms in office, I have worked hard to make Maui County more resilient and our government more environmentally and economically responsible. In the 2020 and 2022 elections I introduced charter amendments, overwhelming approved by voters, creating the first county Department of Agriculture and establishing the East Maui Water Authority to provide more water for residents and farmers and better management of local water resources. I wrote the strongest municipal environmental protection law in the nation banning the use of chemical pesticides and fertilizers on county owned lands protecting county workers health and our environment while reducing the county's exposure to expensive litigation. By creating the first county archeologist position, I have protected cultural resources while streamlining county projects by speeding up the approval process and reducing county expenditures on consultants. I will continue to work to bring back economic vibrancy as we recover and heal.

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BALLOT NAME:

ACQUINTAS, Lorien (Lolo)

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It's time for trailblazing leadership! As a father and business owner, I'm a true voice of the people. I'll offer fiscally responsible representation that puts our local community first while providing fresh and sensible insight. I'm not beholden to anyone or any special interest groups. I intend to be a bridge for solutions, not a barrier. Together we will restore Maui to a place where our families can prosper and thrive. A Maui where our keiki can grow old. On August 8th I lost my home and businesses in the fire. However, I am blessed because my family is safe. I know what it's like to feel despair and lose everything you've worked hard for in an instant. Post fire I persevered to provide for my family and employees. I want to apply that same tenacity in restoring hope to Lahaina and all of Maui County. VOTE LOLO



BALLOT NAME:

PALTIN, Tamara Akiko Maile

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Aloha mai, I'm Tamara Paltin, a wife and mother of two and I'm running to serve as your West Maui Councilmember. I'm currently serving my third term and have gained many insights and experience into the processes and procedures of serving as an elected official, passing ordinances and overseeing the county budget process. To date, I have guided the West Maui Community Plan update through to becoming law, facilitated change in zoning for housing projects such as Waikapu Country Town and Kilohana Makai as well as represented our Council on the Executive Committee of the Hawaii State Association of Counties. My focus moving forward is on helping the County and specifically Lahaina town recover and rebuild. Since the day after the August 8, fires I have been involved in the support of our residents through the standing up of Napili Noho hub, the delivery of starlinks, providing updates, etc.

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BALLOT NAME:
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It's time for NEW LEADERSHIP. I offer 20 years' professional experience as an attorney including service as Legislative Attorney for the Maui County Council and Hawaii House of Representatives. I understand the law and how to use the law to help the people recover from decades of injustice and unfair policies that have harmed hard working local people. No more CORRUPT POLITICIANS. "Nuff Already!" Maui County has failed to protect the people. It's time to thank my opponent for her service and move on to new leadership with new ideas on how to help the people. Our resources must be used to support local people and local small businesses, not luxury hotels and developers. I'm fighting for 25% Union raises, building back Lahaina for locals, affordable housing for everyone, less regulation for local businesses, important environmental protections, women's rights and healthcare, financial security for families, and justice for Hawaiians.



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I'm Alice Lee, running for re-election to the Maui County Council Wailuku-Waihee-Waikapu residency seat. I was born and raised on Maui, attended St. Anthony School and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Chaminade University. My dad's mom, Minnie Gomez Lee, lived on Wells Street and my mom's mom, Miriam Kanakamaika'i, lived on Kahookole Street, in Wailuku. My parents Angelo and Momi Lee both worked at Hawaiian Telephone Company in Wailuku. My life is deeply rooted here. We are facing a myriad of critical issues, such as an urgent need for affordable housing, better-paying jobs, improving public health and safety, preserving our culture and environment, diversifying our economy, strengthening infrastructure and resources to be better prepared for future wildfires or other disasters. Despite the immensity of the problems before us, we shall prevail and emerge stronger together. I humbly ask for your vote and support. Mahalo.

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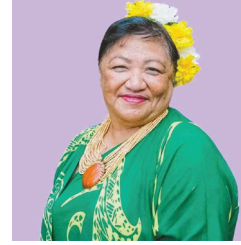
KAMA, Tasha

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Natalie A Kama aka Tasha Kama - Democrat Candidate for Maui County Council Kahului District Residency Seat P. O. Box 2884 Wailuku, HI 96793 Website: FriendsoftashaKama.org Email: tasha@friendsoftashakama.com Phone: 808-385-3400 May 20, 2024 I ran in 2018 because of the housing crisis our county was experiencing. Covid showed up in 2020 and we were isolated from the world and each other. The wildfires in Upcountry and West Maui caused our housing crisis to exponentially multiply. Housing is still a top priority. I will continue to work expeditiously to rebuild Lahaina with the community's guidance. We must take the time to heal together, plan together and find the necessary funding for all the Lahaina residents to return to their homes. This is my commitment to increasing our housing inventory, to ensuring employment and economic opportunities for our residents, as we continue to Aloha I Ke Kahi I Ke Kahi.



BALLOT NAME:

KAMEKONA, Carol Lee

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Our voice, our home, our Maui. I'm running to renew Maui through innovation, progress, and the grit to tackle our toughest issues. I'm a retired, 22-year Navy veteran with strong leadership values: responsibility, unwavering commitment, and the ability to lead through adversity. Make no mistake - Maui's stability is at risk. Housing is a human right, yet housing has become overwhelming for over half of our local families who work multiple jobs just to keep a roof over their heads and food on the table. Meanwhile, 1/4 of our homes are owned by nonresidents, our economy is distinctly dependent on tourism, and family farms struggle to compete against cheap, imported food. I plan to boost affordable housing, tackle the economic factors promoting nonresident ownership, and diversify our economy by supporting small businesses, healthcare and trades careers, sustainable agriculture, and the film industry. Together, we'll forge a resilient, prosperous Maui.

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BALLOT NAME:

COOK, Tom

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Aloha. My name is Tom Cook, your current South Maui County Councilmember, asking for your support in this year's election. I bring balance to the Council. Local values from 50+ years being a full-time resident. Raising 5 children who all graduated from public schools on Maui. Growing my building and problem-solving skills as an apprentice carpenter to a general contractor in 1989. My hands on experience, being an employee and later in life having a company with over 40 employees; applying for and waiting for building permits; paying rent; paying a mortgage; raising children and taking care of grandparents has given me the life experiences to serve you on the County Council. I bring common sense and understanding of the people's needs to our local government. I humbly ask for your support and your vote on August 10th and November 5th. Mahalo. Vote for Tom Cook, Maui County Council.



BALLOT NAME:

KING, Kelly Takaya

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Kelly King is a candidate for the South Maui district seat of the Maui County Council, where she has been a leader in sustainability and an engaged resident since becoming a mother in 1985. She has lived on Maui for over 40 years and with her husband Bob has two children, both born and raised on Maui (graduates of Maui High School and UH Mānoa), and two grandchildren. A long-time advocate for resilient, thriving communities, her priorities include a diversified circular economy, local renewable energy, regenerative agriculture, food security, affordable housing, social equity, emergency preparedness, environmental protection, and managed shoreline retreat. King has been active as a board member for many non-profits, including:

- Hawai'i Renewable Energy Alliance
- Maui Farmers Union board
- Akakū: Maui Community Television
- Hui Mālama Learning Center
- UH Maui College Sustainable Sciences Management Advisory Council
- Maui Nui Food Alliance Steering Committee

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BALLOT NAME:
BOONE, Nara
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As we find our way in the aftermath of the August 8th fires, it's never been more important to have COMMUNITY VOICES at decision making tables. The struggle for decent, AFFORDABLE housing county wide has never been more difficult. Our people need help. As an advocate/educator for renters' rights through Maui Housing Hui, I know more is needed. We need people in office who are intent on focusing on the wellbeing of OUR COMMUNITY FIRST. As decisions are made to diversify our economy away from tourism, we need to create new ways for people to sustain their families. We need to support farmers, to better bolster our food production. We need to house our grocery clerks, school staff, hotel and healthcare workers. We need to rebuild while putting COMMUNITY VOICES FIRST. Please vote for all nine council seats, and when you do, check the BOONE box. Mahalo!



BALLOT NAME:
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Aloha, I am Nohe Uu-Hodgins. Currently, the Councilmember for the Makawao, Paia, Haiku district. I was born and raised in Paia and my family goes back many generations on Maui. I am the proud mother of four. My husband, Koa, and our family live in Makawao. As your councilmember, I believe there is a balance between smart growth, respect for the environment, and respect for our local culture. In my current term, I have fought for workforce and affordable housing and advocated for the purchase of open space in land Pauwela. After the devastating Maui fires, we need housing now more than ever. I hope to provide a place that our great-grandchildren can continue to call home. It is my honor to represent my district and my island home, I hope to continue to do so. For more information or to contact me please visit my website at votenohe.com.

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Aloha Maui! I am running for County Council's Upcountry seat to bring positive change and serve our community. My focus is on food sovereignty achieved through regenerative agriculture. I believe that the most powerful form of currency is community. Partnering with the Maui Pono Network, we tackle issues like affordable housing, water rights, abundant nutritious food, managed tourism, and reclaiming and restoring the land. For the next couple of years, the pono rebuilding of Lahaina Town along with supporting our Upcountry farmers and family must be a priority. It is imperative we listen to, and collaborate with, everyone affected by the August 8th wildfires in an open, inclusive way. I am committed to emphasizing environmental protection through creative policy solutions. Join us in creating a thriving, sustainable future for Maui Nui. Mahalo!



BALLOT NAME:
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Yuki Lei Sugimura, Kula resident and proud Baldwin High School graduate, currently serves as the Maui County Councilmember representing the Upcountry Residency Area. Serving on the Council since 2017, Sugimura is currently the Council Vice-Chair and chair of the Budget, Finance and Economic Development Committee. Prior to her time on the Council, Sugimura served as the Maui Field Representative for U.S. Senator Hirono and the late U.S. Senator Akaka. Building community has always been a passion for Yuki Lei. Sugimura was a driving force behind many community events, including Wailuku First Friday and Maui Matsuri. Sugimura continues her community engagement through her monthly Talk Story with Yuki Lei series at the Upcountry Farmers Market. With her years of experience, Yuki lei is committed to continue serving all of Maui County.

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Aloha I'm Gabe Johnson Maui County Councilmember for the island of Lānaʻi. I am asking for your support as we continue to press forward in these unprecedented times. During my tenure as councilmember I fought hard for affordable housing by creating legislations giving preference to long term residents and making affordable housing truly affordable. I know the cost of living has been skyrocketing in our county which is why I made County buses free for low income folk and summer and winter PALS free for all. I continue to support nonprofits who serve our most vulnerable and create legislation to support our farmers, working class, and those that need it the most. I am a strong advocate for protecting our environment and would be proud to continue to work for my community. Please go to www.gabe4council.com for more information. Mahalo.

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BALLOT NAME:

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Aloha, I am steadfastly committed to my community through service, volunteerism, and my desire to use a common sense approach to ensure housing affordability for our residents. Along with my wife Nani, I continue to live on Molokai's west side, where we raised our only daughter, who like so many of our younger generation, left Hawaii due to the high cost of living magnified by unaffordable housing opportunities. However, we remain hopeful to one day watch our grandchildren grow up here. Along with being a business owner for 18 years, I serve as a consultant with a focus on affordable housing and kauhale projects, continuing my learning track to identify new and unique ways to partner for greater efficiency and access to housing for our local families. I am running for the Molokai seat of the Maui County Council, and humbly ask for your consideration and vote. Mahalo



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Aloha nui! 'O wau o Keani Rawlins-Fernandez, a kupa'aina of Molokai, and a mother of two keiki, who drive my passion for investing in the quality of life for our home, to leave it better than I found it for our future generations. I'm a proud graduate of Molokai High School with a law degree and certificates specializing in Environmental Law and Native Hawaiian Law, and a master's degree in business administration. Throughout these three terms on the council, it has been a privilege to work by your side as we build upon our hardships to become an even more resilient community. It would be an honor to continue serving the people of Maui County to ensure our community's voice is supported with well-informed decision-making that centers protection for our āina and policies that mitigate the daily struggles our residents face. I look forward to continuing our progress together.

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Aloha everyone my name is Abraham F. Apilado Jr. and I'm running for Kaua'i County Council. As a father and family man, I understand the importance of a strong community for future generations. With a gift for public speaking and a commitment to standing up for what is right, I bring a unique voice to our community. As an advisory panel member for the Western Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Council, I advocate for both current and future fishermen. I educate visitors and locals about our fishery, emphasizing proper care and sustainability. My genuine love for Kaua'i and our people drives my dedication to preserving our way of life. I am a local boy ready to serve our community, ensuring that the voices of our residents are heard and respected. Love you Kaua'i, I hope to represent you in this upcoming election year. Mahalo



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I'm born and raised on Kaua'i and returned home from college in 2013 to practice as a Doctor of Chiropractic. For over 10 years I served my community through my private practice and various non-profit boards across different sectors of our community. The experience of working on sustainable solutions both in the private and nonprofit world inspired me to understand that positive systemic change is possible. I was elected as a County council member in 2022 and I'm seeking reelection to continue the momentum of protecting our local working families, reducing cost of living, and setting up our future for success. On behalf of my family, my wife, Nikki, and our newborn Kīla'a, mahalo for your commitment to bettering our community, and we humbly ask for your one of your votes.



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I am running for re-election as a member of the Kauai County Council. Having served as a civil servant for twenty-three years, the former Mayor of our Island home for ten years and current council member for four years, I bring a wealth of knowledge and experience that I will continue to share as decisions are made for our entire Island Community. I look forward to continuing to work hard in providing our Island home the continued support to assure that all from Keiki to Kupuna can live safe and healthy lifestyles. As the current Committee Chair for Planning, I look forward to the start of the East Kauai Development Plan as well as my continued support of all Island-wide projects that are currently in place. Affordable Housing, Disaster Preparedness and Roads Maintenance need continued support and action. Vote Bernard Carvalho Jr Proven Dedicated Leadership.



BALLOT NAME:
COWDEN, Felicia
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Aloha, I am eager to serve a fourth term as your Kauai County Council member. "Putting People First" continues to be my motto and highest priority by making time to listen, go to your town, understand the challenges presented and work with communities and constituents to build solutions. Upgrading our infrastructure so we can better provide housing and strengthen our businesses to become more self-reliant in a rapidly changing world is paramount. We need to stay empowered together; retaining the cultural wisdoms of our diverse heritages. Strengthening quality of life, freedoms of choice and creating greater hazard management strategies are important to me. My background in engineering, business, education and volunteerism in mediation, neighborhood agriculture, economics and media helps to guide my understanding. I am blessed to be a mother and grandmother living in Kilauea. Council is my sole focus and full-time commitment. Mahalo for considering me as your representative.



BALLOT NAME:
CUMMINGS, Sherri
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Sherri Cummings

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Aloha, I am most honored to seek a seat on the county council of Kaua'i and Ni'i'hau, of which 7 generations including myself, had, and continue to have, the privilege to call Kaua'i our 'āina hānau. My kuleana to mālama our keiki and kūpuna, kaiaulu (community), and natural and cultural resources and practices enables me to take action and get results to protect the future of Kaua'i and Ni'i'hau. I am SHERRI CUMMINGS, a kanaka wāhine, asking for a fresh start as your new voice to the County Council. Kūpuna inspired and driven to uphold the honor of my iwi kūpuna me nā kūpuna, I ask for your sincere consideration and vote. You can learn more about me at www.cummingsforcouncil.org. and I encourage you to reach out to me at pikakecummings1@gmail.com. I mai la me ka ha'a ha'a a me ke aloha, (Said with humility and love) Sherri Cummings



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Aloha Kaua'i and Ni'i'hau, My name is Billy DeCosta. I am humbly asking for your support in my reelection. I am deeply rooted here on our beautiful island, married for 27 yrs and have raised 3 sons. My political accomplishments over these past 2 terms speaks volumes. I am proud of my involvement in the over hauling of our Ag property tax class Bill 2875 which supports farmers and ranchers. I crafted and assisted with Bill 2910 which allows our County the ability to charge tourists for being rescued. I assisted with crafting Bill 2913 to increase our golf fees for non residents / residents at our world class Wailua golf course. I am currently working with Chair Rapozo on Bill 2919, an Ag guest house bill, which will increase housing density on Ag/CPR lands. I am currently working on flooding & fire mitigation to ensure landowner accountability.



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My life long community work and commitment to social justice and the environment is what motivates me to run for County Council. I was born and raised in Kapahi and have family and many childhood friends, who, like me, are struggling to make ends meet and care for their families. I am committed to doing everything I can to fight for our local families when making decisions to build a better future for Kaua'i, while honoring our island's unique history and culture, as well as appreciating our economic struggles. I know I can be a strong advocate and voice for our community and feel that my life experience, education, ability to be analytical, work collaboratively, and communicate well will benefit the work and dynamics of the Kaua'i County Council to help make thoughtful and fair decisions for the betterment of Kaua'i and its residents. More is available at votefern.com.



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My name is Ross Kagawa and I am a proud husband of 31 years, with two daughters and three granddaughters who all reside on Kauai. I am a retired teacher and former accountant, with my Bachelors in Business Administration in Accounting from the University of Hawaii at Manoa and Bachelors in Education from Chaminade University. When I first started politics, my goal was to give the everyday, working families a seat at the table. Now, with ten years of experience under my belt, that goal remains steadfast. With the current state of the economy, more than ever, the Kauai County Council needs to prioritize the lack of affordable housing inventory and make it easier overall for our local families to be able to live here on Kauai. Any questions or concerns, please reach out at any time as serving the people of Kauai is my privilege.



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I am running for Kauai County Council because I care about Kauai and I care about its future. I bring with me my business and accounting acumen, eight years of experience on the council as Chair of the budget, four of those years as the Council Chair, my commitment to community service, and the values and principles that were instilled in me from family, teachers, coaches, and community. Growing up here, I believe I can represent the people of Kauai and Niihau well because I am a regular, everyday Kauai resident who works hard and wants to make the best life for myself and my family. I would be humbled and honored to have your vote in this upcoming election.



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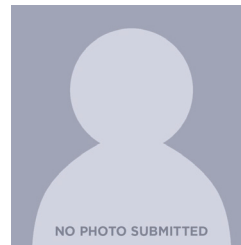
Butch Keahiolalo is a dedicated community member running for County Council. As a former teacher, business owner and retired firefighter on Kaua'i, he understands the importance of investing in our youth, providing economic opportunities for our residents, and ensuring the safety and well-being of our community. Butch's core values guide his decisions, ensuring that he represents the best interests of all members of our community. If elected, he pledges to listen to the community's needs, collaborate with leaders in our community, and continue efforts to make Kaua'i an affordable place to live, prosper, and raise a family for our resident population. Butch thanks his family, friends, and community for their support.



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Aloha kakou! I currently serve as Council Vice Chair, Housing & Intergovernmental Relations Committee Chair and Finance & Economic Development Committee Vice Chair. I also serve as one of Hawai'i's representatives on the National Association of Counties (NACo) Board. I have nearly forty years' experience working in Government, Labor Unions, Non-Profits and Community Organizations. In that time, I've proven myself to be hardworking, trustworthy and thoughtful. I've also demonstrated my dedication to public service, my legislative policy experience, my strength with budgeting, my understanding of the issues and my commitment to always doing my homework, listening carefully and working collaboratively. Most importantly, I love Kaua'i and Ni'i'hau deeply and I'm committed to always making a difference! I humbly ask for one of your seven votes. Please also vote for at least four or five of us candidates in order to strengthen and grow our representative democracy. Mahalo nui loa!!!



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I am seeking re-election to the Kauai County Council because I believe in the power of positive change and the potential for government to be a force for good in people's lives. My commitment stems from a genuine desire to address the pressing issues facing our community. Having witnessed the challenges that many individuals and families endure, I am driven to advocate for policies that foster inclusivity, equity, and progress. My experience in community service and dedication to collaboration will enable me to bridge divides and work towards solutions that benefit everyone. I am not driven by personal ambition, but by a profound sense of responsibility to contribute to the well-being of our society. By running for office, I aim to bring fresh perspectives, transparent communication, and a steadfast dedication to serving the public interest.



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Bart J Thomas Bart J Thomas County of Kauai Non-partisan (808)635-8466 email - Bart@voteforbartKauai.com Website -voteforbartkauai.com Dedicated to action, I embody the mantra "Actions speak louder than words." Throughout the COVID pandemic, I served as a committed board member of Kauai's Salvation Army, providing essential support to our homeless community. As a proud veteran and active member of the Kauai community, I am passionate about giving back. My various fundraising efforts have garnered tremendous support, resulting in significant improvements at the Veterans Center complex, including a new solar roof and renovated Military Museum. I've sponsored programs like Vacation for Warriors, allowing wounded veterans to reconnect with their families in a tranquil setting, free from the pressures of hospital visits. Additionally, I've supported the Children's Dream Foundation, providing dream vacations for children battling cancer and offering them and their families moments of joy and respite.

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THESE STATEMENTS WERE PROVIDED BY THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

QUESTION #1: Removal of Specific Language Concerning the Authority of the Legislature to Reserve Marriage to Opposite-Sex Couples

QUESTION

Shall the state constitution be amended to repeal the legislature’s authority to reserve marriage to opposite-sex couples?

EXPLANATION

The proposed amendment would remove the specific language in the Hawaii State Constitution that gave the Legislature authority to reserve marriage to opposite-sex couples.

MEANING OF “YES” VOTE

A “yes” vote would remove the specific language in the Hawaii State Constitution that gave the Legislature authority to reserve marriage to opposite-sex couples.

MEANING OF “NO” VOTE

A “no” vote would make no change to the Hawaii State Constitution and leave in place the specific language in the Hawaii State Constitution that gave the Legislature authority to reserve marriage to opposite-sex couples.

MEANING OF BLANK VOTE OR OVERVOTE

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In order for a proposed amendment to the Hawaii State Constitution to be ratified, it must be approved by a majority of all votes tallied upon the question (i.e., only “yes” and “no” votes). Additionally, this majority must constitute at least fifty percent of the total votes cast at the election (i.e., “yes,” “no,” “blank,” and “over” votes).



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QUESTION #2: Making the Senate Confirmation Process for Judicial Appointments More Uniform

QUESTION

Shall the Constitution of the State of Hawaii be amended to make the appointment and confirmation process for district court judges the same as the appointment and confirmation process for supreme court justices and intermediate court of appeals and circuit court judges, which would require:

- (1) The Judicial Selection Commission to present the Chief Justice with a list of not less than four and not more than six nominees for a vacancy;
- (2) A district court appointee to be automatically considered appointed if the Senate fails to reject the appointment within thirty days of receiving the appointment notice;
- (3) The Chief Justice to make another appointment from the list of district court nominees within ten days if the Senate rejects an appointment; and
- (4) The appointment and consent procedure to be followed until a valid appointment is made, or failing this, the Judicial Selection Commission to make the appointment from the list of nominees, without Senate consent?

EXPLANATION

The existing Senate confirmation process for judicial appointments made by the Governor to the Hawaii Supreme Court, the Intermediate Court of Appeals, and the Circuit Courts differs from the Senate confirmation process for judicial appointments made by the Chief Justice to the State District Courts. The purpose of this amendment to article VI, section 3, of the Hawaii State Constitution is to make the appointment and Senate consent process for district court judges the same as the appointment and Senate consent process for other judges and justices.

Under the existing Senate consent process for district court judges, a district court appointee is automatically considered rejected if not consented to by the Senate within thirty days of receipt of the appointment. Because the Hawaii State Legislature is a part-time legislature, the Senate must convene special sessions throughout the year for the sole purpose of consenting to district court appointments.

This amendment would allow district court appointments to be automatically considered consented to if the Senate fails to reject the appointment within thirty days. This change would make the procedures for the Senate confirmation process for all state judicial appointments the same, regardless of whether the appointment is made by the Governor or the Chief Justice.

MEANING OF “YES” VOTE

A “yes” vote would make the appointment and confirmation process for district court judges the same as the appointment and confirmation process for supreme court justices and intermediate court of appeals and circuit court judges.

MEANING OF “NO” VOTE

A “no” vote would make no change to the Hawaii State Constitution and leave in place a different confirmation process for district court judges appointed by the Chief Justice compared to the process for supreme court justices and intermediate court of appeals and circuit court judges appointed by the Governor.

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THESE STATEMENTS WERE PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY OF HAWAII, OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

QUESTION #1: County Council Vacancy in Office

QUESTION

Shall the Hawai'i County Charter be amended to provide that any vacancy on the County Council that occurs or exists after a person was duly elected to fill that seat for the upcoming Council term shall be filled by that duly elected successor for the remainder of the unexpired term?

EXPLANATION

This proposal clarifies that when a vacancy occurs on the County Council, a majority of the remaining members of the Council shall appoint a successor by passing a resolution for the remainder of the unexpired term. In addition, it adds new provisions that requires the Council to fill the vacancy with a person who has been elected to fill the seat but has not yet taken office. For example, if a council member resigns after an election but before a new term begins, and if a successor has been duly elected, the Council would be required to appoint the duly elected successor to serve out the remainder of the unexpired term. The proposed amendment also provides that the remainder of the unexpired term served by a council member filling a vacancy shall not apply to the term limit set forth in Section 3-2 of the Hawai'i County Charter.

QUESTION #2: Mayoral Appointment of Department Heads

QUESTION

Shall the Hawai'i County Charter be amended to require the Mayor to appoint department heads within 30 days of the start of each mayoral term and within 60 days for any vacancy in office that occurs during the mayoral term?

EXPLANATION

This proposal establishes deadlines for the Mayor to appoint department heads upon taking office and when vacancies occur.

QUESTION #3: Term of Office for the Cost of Government Commission

QUESTION

Shall the Hawai'i County Charter be amended to increase the term length for members of the Cost of Government Commission from eleven to twenty-two months and extend the deadline for the Commission to submit its report from eleven months after appointment to twenty months after appointment?

EXPLANATION

This proposal increases the term length for Cost of Government Commission members from eleven months to twenty-two months. If approved, commission member terms would start eighteen months after the beginning of the mayor's term and last for twenty-two months. In addition, the amendment would extend the Commission's deadline to submit its report from eleven months after appointment to twenty months after appointment.

For the full text of these proposed amendments, go to
www.hawaiicounty.gov/charteramendments
or call (808) 961-8255.

THESE STATEMENTS WERE PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY OF MAUI, DEPARTMENT OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

QUESTION #1: Salary Commission

QUESTION

Shall the Charter be amended to require the Salary Commission to determine “salaries” instead of “compensation” for elected officials and appointed directors and deputy directors to maintain consistency with the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and remove fiscal barriers to create equity through benefits such as reimbursement of travel costs?

EXPLANATION

Currently, Article 8, Chapter 17 of the Revised Charter of the County of Maui states that the Salary Commission for the County of Maui “shall determine the compensation of elected officials and appointed directors and deputy directors of all departments of the county.” (emphasis added). Article XVI, Section 3.5 of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii and relevant provisions of the Charters for the other Counties, use the term “salaries” instead of the term “compensation.” This amendment seeks to clarify that the Salary Commission for the County of Maui shall set only the salaries of elected officials and appointed directors and deputy directors, and not “compensation,” which may be more broadly interpreted to include other benefits such as travel costs for officials or appointees that live on Lanai or Molokai and must travel to Maui for their positions. Other such benefits would be managed by the Council or the Mayor.

MEANING OF “YES” VOTE

A “yes” vote means that the Salary Commission would determine the salaries of elected officials and appointed directors and deputy directors of the County of Maui. This would not include other potential compensation benefits such as travel reimbursement for officials and appointees who live on Lanai or Molokai and must travel to Maui for their positions, which, would be managed by the Council or the Mayor.

MEANING OF “NO” VOTE

A “no” vote means that the Salary Commission would continue to determine the “compensation” of elected officials and appointed directors and deputy directors of the County of Maui, which may include benefits beyond salaries.

MEANING OF BLANK VOTE OR OVERVOTE

A blank vote or overvote will not be counted in determining whether a majority of electors to the question have voted in favor of adoption.

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THESE STATEMENTS WERE PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY OF MAUI, DEPARTMENT OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

QUESTION #2: Independent Staffing for Board of Ethics

QUESTION

Shall the Charter be amended, effective July 1, 2025, to authorize the Board of Ethics of the County of Maui to hire independent staff?

EXPLANATION

The County of Maui Board of Ethics currently does not have its own independent, full-time staff. Instead, the Board of Ethics is assigned one Deputy Corporation Counsel and one secretary, both of whom are employed by the Department of the Corporation Counsel and both of whom have various other duties which are separate from their work on behalf of the Board of Ethics. Further, the Charter confers several of the powers of the Board of Ethics to the Board itself, rather than to its staff. This amendment would allow the Board of Ethics to hire its own independent staff, and would empower the staff to undertake certain actions, including providing informal ethics opinions and advice, reviewing financial disclosures and lobbyist filings, and pursuing ethics complaints.

MEANING OF “YES” VOTE

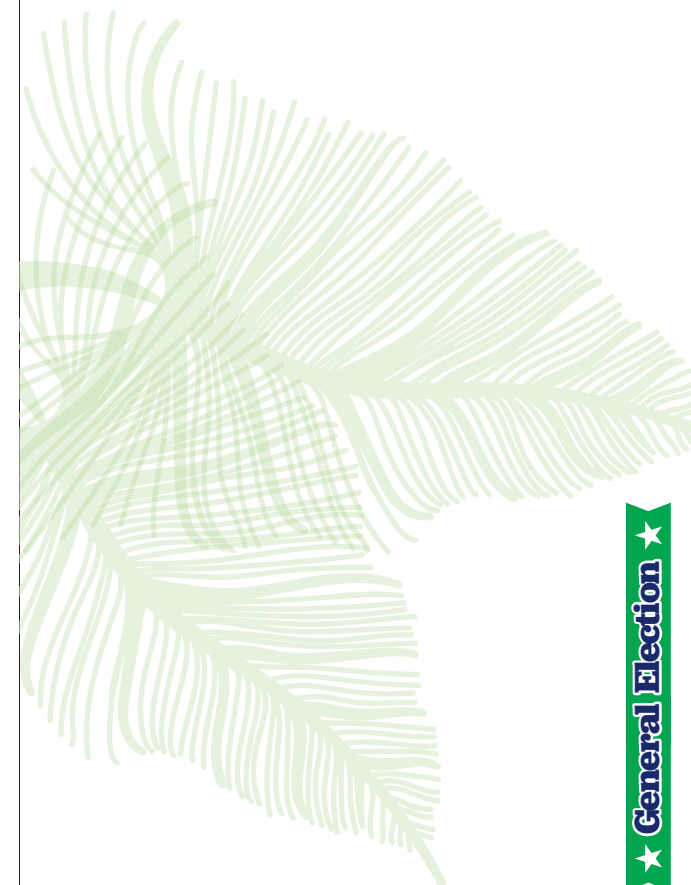
A “yes” vote means that the Board of Ethics would be able to hire its own independent staff, which could undertake specific duties including providing informal ethics opinions and advice, reviewing financial disclosures and lobbyist filings, and pursuing ethics complaints.

MEANING OF “NO” VOTE

A “no” vote means that the Board of Ethics would continue to be staffed by employees from the Department of the Corporation Counsel who are limited in the duties that they can perform on behalf of the Board of Ethics.

MEANING OF BLANK VOTE OR OVERTOTE

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QUESTION #3: Board and Commission Terms

QUESTION

Shall the Charter be amended, effective July 1, 2025, to minimize the risk of vacancies on boards and commissions generally, and specifically with regard to dedicated seats for members residing in less populous areas, by allowing the appointment of members of boards and commissions for two consecutive full terms or ten consecutive years, whichever is greater?

EXPLANATION

Currently, Section 13-2(5) of the Charter of the County of Maui does not allow members of a board or commission to be appointed to a second full term on the same board or commission within a period of two years after their term has expired. This amendment would allow members of a board or commission to be appointed for two consecutive full terms, or for up to ten years, whichever is greater.

MEANING OF “YES” VOTE

A “yes” vote means that members of a board or commission could be appointed to a second consecutive full term on the same board or commission.

MEANING OF “NO” VOTE

A “no” vote means that a member of a board or commission could not be appointed to a second consecutive full term on the same board or commission.

MEANING OF BLANK VOTE OR OVERVOTE

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THESE STATEMENTS WERE PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY OF KAUAI, OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

AMENDMENT 1: Relating to Police Commission Investigations.

QUESTION

Shall the Police Commission's 90-day window for reporting written investigation results start when the Commission receives the investigation report?

PURPOSE

This Charter Amendment would provide the Police Commission with adequate time to conduct thorough investigations when members of the public bring charges against the Police Department or its members.

BACKGROUND

The language of the Charter (Kaua'i County Charter, section 11.03.C.) currently says the Police Commission must, "Receive, consider, and investigate charges brought by the public against the conduct of the department or any of its members and submit a written report of its findings to the chief of police within ninety days." This language is unclear because some investigations can take over 90 days to complete. This amendment would clarify that the Commission shall submit a written report of its findings to the Chief of Police within 90 days after the investigation has been completed. This measure would separate the investigation and the reporting, allowing the investigation to proceed until its results are reported to the Commission. The Commission would then have 90 days to prepare and file its report to the Police Chief.

AMENDMENT 2: Relating to Cost Control Commission Reports.

QUESTION

Shall the Cost Control Commission be authorized to recommend increased costs if they are expected to generate future cost savings or efficiencies?

PURPOSE

This amendment would grant the Cost Control Commission greater flexibility in recommending improving the efficiency of government and in achieving long-term reductions in the cost of providing government services.

BACKGROUND

The County Cost Control Commission is authorized to recommend measures that eliminate programs and services and reduce costs (Kaua'i County Charter, Section 28.04.) The commission has concluded that in some cases, an increase in spending may result in longer term efficiencies or savings. A change in the language of the charter would grant the commission the additional flexibility it requires to achieve its mission of reducing the cost of government while maintaining a reasonable level of public services. Note: Any commission recommendations would require both County Council and Mayoral approval before enactment.

For the full text of these proposed amendments, go to kauai.gov/Charter or call (808) 241-4881.

THESE STATEMENTS WERE PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY OF KAUAI, OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

AMENDMENT 3: Relating to the Public Access, Open Space & Natural Resources Preservation Fund.

QUESTION

Shall up to 5% of the County's Open Space Fund be available for the maintenance of lands, property entitlements, or improvements that were paid for by the Fund?

PURPOSE

This Charter Amendment seeks to ensure that properties protected by the Public Access, Open Space and Natural Resources Preservation Fund have resources to provide some stewardship support.

BACKGROUND

The County's Public Access, Open Space and Natural Resources Preservation Fund (Kaua'i County Charter, Section 19.15.C.) is primarily aimed at acquiring lands for the purposes specified in its title, ensuring public access, open space and preserving natural resources. However, the county has had difficulty arranging for volunteer groups or non-profit entities to take on long-term maintenance and stewardship for the properties and improvements. This is particularly true with the preservation of ecologically and culturally sensitive projects. This measure would allow a small portion of the Fund to be used to support stewardship. As an example, it could be used to purchase lumber or maintenance supplies to help volunteer stewards with costs they may otherwise be unable to raise.



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AMENDMENT 4: Relating to Surety Bonds.

QUESTION

Shall the Charter be amended to allow the use of insurance policies for certain or all employees to protect the County against financial loss?

PURPOSE

This amendment would give the County flexibility in purchasing either insurance or surety bonds to cover county employees and protect the county against financial loss or theft.

BACKGROUND

Currently the Kaua'i County Charter, Section 19.17 states, certain officers and employees are required to be bonded. In the past, surety bonds provided a financial guarantee against loss or theft associated with the performance of the official duties of an office. Surety bonds however, may not be readily available today. Insurance can provide the same protection for all employees at a lower cost.

Amending a portion of section 19.17 would give the County the flexibility to buy policies with the best coverage, benefits and cost whether it is surety bonds, insurance, or both. The goal of this charter amendment would be to obtain the best policies for the County, for all employees and to better manage overall costs.

AMENDMENT 5: Relating to Ex-officio Youth Position on County Boards and Commissions.

QUESTION

Shall the Charter be amended to establish ex-officio positions for youth on Boards and Commissions to be filled by Kaua'i resident high school juniors or seniors?

PURPOSE

This amendment would allow a Kaua'i student to learn government and civics through participating as an ex-officio member of boards and commissions.

BACKGROUND

To provide a voice for youth on Boards and Commission as well as an educational opportunity for students, this amendment would create seats for high school juniors or seniors on boards and commissions by adding a new subsection O to Section 23.02 of the Kaua'i County Charter.

The ex-officio student positions are to be filled by Kaua'i residents. Such members may participate in commission discussions but will not vote, will not be counted toward quorum, and will not participate in executive sessions.

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QUESTION #1

QUESTION

Shall the Revised City Charter be amended to require that the City Council appropriate, without having to simultaneously increase real property tax rates to fund the appropriation, one-half of one percent of the City's estimated real property tax revenues in each fiscal year's budget and capital program, to be deposited into a Climate Resiliency Fund, the purpose of which is to support initiatives and projects aimed at mitigating the impacts of climate change, enhancing the resilience of the City's infrastructure and communities, and promoting sustainable practices?

PRESENT SITUATION

There is currently no Climate Resiliency Fund. Funding to support initiatives and projects aimed at mitigating the impacts of climate change, enhancing the resilience of the City's infrastructure and communities, and promoting sustainable practices are currently reviewed and funded annually by the Honolulu City Council either through the Executive Operating Budget or the Executive Capitol Budget and Program.

IF PROPOSAL PASSES

A Climate Resiliency Fund would be created that would finance preventive, restorative and educational measures relating to climate change, and which would be funded by one-half of one percent of the City's estimated annual real property tax revenues. The phrase, "without having to simultaneously increase real property tax rates to fund the appropriations," however, should not be read to limit the power of the Honolulu City Council to increase real property taxes in the same year that it funds the Climate Resiliency Fund.

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QUESTION #2

QUESTION

Shall the Revised City Charter be amended to establish the Department of Emergency Management as an independent agency of the City Executive Branch by assigning the Department of Emergency Management a separate chapter in the City Charter similar to the chapters assigned to all other City departments to provide that all Department of Emergency Management positions, including its Director and Deputy Director, are subject to the civil service laws; and to specify a minimum level of qualifications for the civil service position of the Director of Emergency Management, with additional minimum qualifications to be determined in accordance with civil service laws?

PRESENT SITUATION

The City's Department of Emergency Management ("DEM") (formerly known as the civil defense agency) currently falls directly under the Office of the Managing Director, but is not assigned its own chapter under the Charter as are other City departments. The citizen's advisory commission on civil defense is a separate agency that likewise falls directly under the Office of the Managing Director.

The selection and retention of the DEM director and deputy director positions are subject to civil service rules, that is, they are subject to the merit principle. The Department of Human Resources, which administers the City's civil service program, imposes minimum qualifications for the DEM director position that are consistent with the merit principle. The Charter sets forth the duties of the DEM director but not the position's minimum qualifications.

IF PROPOSAL PASSES

The Executive Branch would be reorganized such that the DEM would be assigned its own chapter under the Charter, like other City departments, and the citizens advisory commission would fall within the DEM. These changes would not impact the term of the incumbent DEM director who is serving on January 1, 2025.

Corresponding Charter amendments would be enacted to ensure that the DEM director and deputy director positions continue to be subject to civil service rules. Specifically, these amendments would exclude the DEM director and deputy director positions from the authority of the salary commission, which determines the salaries for department heads and deputy heads, and from the exemptions from civil service that apply to all other independent department directors and deputy directors.

The Charter would also be amended to clarify the duties of the DEM director and add other duties, including the implementation of training, exercise, and public information programs relating to emergency management. Finally, the Charter would expressly incorporate DHR's minimum qualifications for the DEM director position, and impose an additional requirement of at least five years of responsible administrative experience in emergency management, disaster planning, or public safety services management, at least two years of which must have included supervising emergency management or homeland security activities, or both.



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QUESTION #3

QUESTION

Shall the Revised City Charter be amended to establish an Ocean Safety Commission to review and make recommendations on certain activities of the Department of Ocean Safety and to appoint and remove the Chief of Ocean Safety?

PRESENT SITUATION

Pursuant to his authority under Revised City Charter Section 4-202, the mayor recently established the department of ocean safety (“OSD”) as a standalone agency independent from the department of emergency services under which it fell. The OSD is headed by a director of ocean safety who is appointed and may be removed by the mayor.

IF PROPOSAL PASSES

This resolution will amend the Charter to create a five-member ocean safety commission within the OSD that will have the authority, among other things, to make recommendations on the OSD’s annual budget; review OSD operations and recommend improvements; perform annual evaluations of the ocean safety chief’s performance; hear citizen complaints about the OSD or its personnel, and recommend corrective actions to the OSD chief; and submit annual reports to the mayor and council on OSD activities.

In addition, the position title of OSD “director” will be replaced by the title, OSD “chief.” The OSD chief will be appointed by the ocean safety commission and may be removed only after receiving the reasons for their removal and an opportunity for a hearing before the ocean safety commission. The OSD director appointed by the mayor will continue to hold the position on December 31, 2024, and will continue to serve as OSD director until the ocean safety commission appoints a new chief.



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QUESTION #4

QUESTION

Shall the Revised City Charter provisions relating to the salaries for Councilmembers be amended to cap any annual increase at no more than five percent, require that any changes be tied to the average annual salary changes of city employees in the City’s collective bargaining units, and remove the Council’s authority to vote on its own raises?

PRESENT SITUATION

Pursuant to Revised City Charter Section 3-122, the salary commission (“Commission”) establishes by resolution the salaries for certain municipal positions, including those of the City Council. These salaries must accord with the principles of “adequate compensation for work performed” and “preservation of a sensible relationship with the salaries of other City employees.” The City Council may accept or reject any portion of the Commission’s resolution, including any part relating to the Councilmembers’ own salaries.

IF PROPOSAL PASSES

The Charter will be amended to require that the Commission issue one resolution establishing the salaries for Councilmembers and a separate resolution establishing the salaries for other positions.

With regard to Councilmembers’ salaries, any future raises would be capped at 5% annually and be required to be “substantially equivalent” to the average of the most recent annual salary changes of the city’s various collective bargaining units. The City Council will no longer have the authority to accept or reject the Commission’s resolution related to its own salaries.



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