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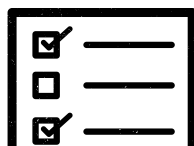
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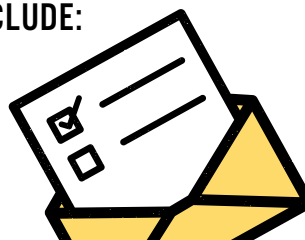
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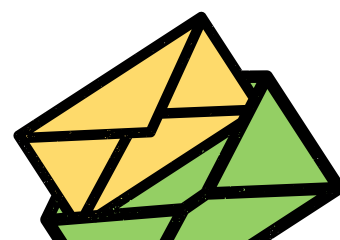
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CIVIC ENGAGEMENT IS OUR HERITAGE; VOTING IS OUR KULEANA

ea (1. n. Sovereignty, rule, independence)**koho** (1. nvt. Election, choice, selection)

Aloha mai kākou,

As a student at Kohala High School I was assigned to write a vignette about elections on the plantation for a school production. I recently found the program for this long-forgotten performance while cleaning out my childhood home in Niuli'i and I was reminded that, in Kohala, election day was a festive occasion, colored by candidates and the community in Hawaiian finery and flowers with a mixture of focused, yet friendly, political inquiry and banter. Reflective of the sugar plantation community, the candidates were of all ethnicities. People gathered near the polling site, listened to speeches and enjoyed food and drink as the pros and cons of candidates and issues were debated.

Regardless of one's personal views regarding the legitimacy of the existing political system in which we find ourselves, participating in the electoral process gives us a voice; it allows us to exercise some measure of self-determination and to have a say about what Hawai'i will look like 10, 20 or 100 years from now.

On July 31st we observe Ka Lā Ho'ihoni'ea, Sovereignty Restoration Day. The sovereignty of the Hawaiian Kingdom was restored on that day in 1843 after the revocation of a rogue attempt by British Captain George Paulet to seize Hawai'i for Great Britain. During the restoration ceremony, Kamehameha III spoke the words that would become the Kingdom's (and now the State's) motto: "Ua mau ke ea o ka 'āina i ka pono; The sovereignty of the land is perpetuated in righteousness."

But ea is not limited to political sovereignty. For example, in education we talk about "educational sovereignty" wherein families make choices about who, how and where their keiki are educated. Community, culture, 'āina-based curriculum, instruction and assessment are expressions of educational sovereignty.

Ea is also our freedom to koho - make choices - about our own lives; where to attend school, what career to pursue, how to spend our money, who to socialize with, who to select as our leaders.

As members of this lāhui we have choices to make. And it is our kuleana to do everything within our power to influence decision-making about the things that affect our

'ohana, mo'omeheu and 'āina. That includes participating in the election process and casting a vote for pono candidates who will fight for the things that are important to us.

Hawaiians have a mo'okū'auhau of civic engagement. This is reflected in the quantity and quality of civil discourse in the nūpepa, Hawaiian newspapers, of the 19th and early 20th centuries. Our kūpuna were literate, enlightened and unafraid to express their opinions on the social, cultural and political life of the Kingdom. Active, ongoing civic engagement – which includes voting - honors the foundation established by our kūpuna and helps to ensure a better future for our mo'opuna. Just as parents are advocates for their keiki, kānaka maoli must be advocates for our lāhui; if not us, then who?

With so much at stake, what message do we send when we refuse the opportunity to participate or to have a voice? When we look back at our 2020 selves what will we see in terms of action, participation and advocacy? What will our narrative be; and what will we tell our mo'opuna about what we did, or did not do, to mālama ke ea o kēia 'āina nei? ■



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BY MANU KA'IAMA

The political involvement of 19th century Hawaiian women is the focus of an upcoming film by local filmmaker Gloria Borland.

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BY PUANANI FERNANDEZ-AKAMINE

Civic engagement in the political life of the Kingdom was the norm for our kūpuna, from ali'i to maka'āinana. Profiles of four notable Hawaiian patriots are featured.

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Hawai'i: Register to Vote by July 9th PAGE 9

BY ALIANTHA LIM

With so much happening in the world, now is the time to stand up and be heard. Make sure you and your 'ohana are registered to vote by July 9th.

He Mana Kō Ka Leo Pualu; There is Power in a Collective Voice



By Kirstin Kahaloe

There are many uncertainties as we recover from COVID-19 and work to reshape our economic future for Hawai'i. The past few months have been challenging in different ways for different people, ranging from inconvenience and discomfort to devastation of living situations and careers. This discomfort and devastation can be a catalyst for a

Hawai'i that takes better care of our place and our people. As we work to rebuild our communities and our economy, how can we rebuild better?

July ushers in the opportunity to use our voice to make change. 2020 is an election year and it is our right and duty to vote for the leaders who shape the policies that govern our communities. Each person who votes makes a difference. As a lāhui, voting becomes a collective voice for change. We can no longer sit on the sidelines and make excuses for not voting. It has cost us too much for too long. We need to stand up and vote for what we all believe in – a better future for our kama'āina families.

There is no better time than now, whether you have voted for decades, or will be voting for the first time. Since we have all-mail voting this year, there will be no standing in

lines or taking off from work to participate in civic engagement. Voting just became easier and safer in 2020, so go and vote!

Our Native Hawaiian Chambers of Commerce are organizations amplifying a collective Hawaiian voice. We are a network of 800+ engaged members from across Hawai'i that support local businesses and responsible economic growth, as well as Hawaiian culture, people, language, and our home. We embrace our kuleana to ensure that aloha and the descendants of this land are at the forefront of discussions about how we shape and determine our future.

We must, and can, do better for Hawai'i; and our strength grows in numbers. That matters. Connect with your local Native Hawaiian Chamber as we work together to strengthen our voices in this important time in history.

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Choose "Health" in Our Upcoming Elections



By Jodi Leslie Matsuo, PH DR

With elections coming up, there are many things people consider in deciding which candidates to support. As health is an issue that pertains to us all, learning the candidates' viewpoints on the issues that affect a person's health is important.

While we listen to their debates and read their platforms on health-care reforms and policies, let's not forget to play close attention to their position on those factors that influence health. These factors – the social determinants of health – are the conditions in which people are born, grow, live, learn, work, play,

worship, and age. This includes the resources available in our communities, quality of our schools, and safety of our workplaces.

Public health experts recommend five health behaviors that have been shown to reduce premature death, reduce risk of chronic disease (heart disease, diabetes, obesity, high blood pressure, etc.), and improve quality of life. These behaviors include: following a healthy diet, exercising regularly, maintaining a healthy body weight, not smoking, and not drinking alcohol excessively. These are all a matter of choice.

But what influences these choices? A person's income affects the type of food they buy, which makes it important to support candidates advocating for raising minimum salaries or providing incentives for higher education to get better paying jobs. Having regular and reliable public transportation – to get to grocery stores, safe places to exercise, or to a doctor's appointment – is an issue, especially on neighbor islands.

Electing officials that address physician shortages, including mental health professionals, is crucial in providing adequate access to health care services, for people to receive timely, regular health care and counseling. Supporting the right and ability to express your faith openly and respectfully helps people maintain their spiritual health, especially in Hawaiian culture where spirituality is the foundation of our families and who we are.

If we believe that health encompasses physical, mental, and spiritual health, then we know we must have pono in all these aspects in order to be healthy. Consider the factors that support your health and the health of your 'ohana when choosing the right candidate. ■

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Hui Mālama I Nā Kūpuna O Hawai'i Nei Part 3: Empowerment Through Education



By Edward Halealoha Ayau

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Conducting proper burial was especially important because it was believed that ancestors could transform and become 'aumākua (guardians) of living descendants and that these 'aumākua must be cared for in order to maintain the pono (balance and unity) of the family. For the ali'i nui (ruling



1997 Niihau and Mokumanamana Repatriation Team - Photo: Courtesy of Hui Mālama

chief), maintaining tranquility in the kingdom was dependent, in part, on his care for the akua (gods) and 'aumākua. This was reflected by the status of gravesites. When there was peace people were buried properly; when there were treacherous rulers, the bones were dug up.

"Ola nā iwi" (the bones live) refers to

an elder who is well cared for by his or her family as well as to those who provide such care. This 'ōlelo no'cau reminds us that our kūpuna reside within our own iwi; we are the sum of all of the ancestors who collectively gave us life. This relationship engenders a profound

duty to care for and protect the bones of our kūpuna. The care of iwi kūpuna is a kuleana. The relationship between ancestors and the living is interdependent. Families maintain this kuleana by ensuring the ancestors are kanu pono (properly buried) and protected, as the physical and spiritual health of the family is related to the wellbeing of the ancestors.

"Mai kaula'i i nā iwi i ka lā" (don't expose the bones to the sun light) instructs us to prevent exposure of iwi because the 'uhane (spirit) of the deceased reside in a world known as Pō (darkness). Thus, iwi should be placed in the 'āina so that its mana can nourish the land physically and spiritually. From this proverb we understand that kuleana to care for iwi includes protecting them from disturbances that would result in exposure to light. Therefore, removal of iwi, displaying and studying them, are forms of desecration based upon this belief because they are exposed to light. ■

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The Justice Seeker



By Kalani Akana, Ph.D.

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Alice Kamokilaikawai Campbell was a role model of a person seeking justice. Her mother, Abigail Kuaihelani Ma'ipinepine, was her role model. Her mother led Hui Aloha 'Āina o Nā Wahine, the group that collected the signatures of those opposing the annexation of Hawai'i to America.

Kamokila Campbell opposed the entry of the Territory of Hawai'i into the United States of America. While the Big Five (Alexander and Baldwin, Castle and Cook, Amfac, C. Brewer, and Theo H. Davies) coveted statehood, she opposed it saying:



Alice Kamokilaikawai Campbell - Photo: Courtesy

I do not feel . . . we should forfeit the traditional rights and privileges of the natives of our islands for a mere thimbleful of votes in Congress, that we, the lovers of Hawaii from long association with it should sacrifice our birthright for the greed of alien desires to remain on our shores, that we should satisfy the thirst for power and control of some inflated industrialists and politicians who hide under the guise of

friends of Hawaii, yet still keeping an eagle eye on the financial and political pressure button of subjugation over the people in general of these islands. (17 Jan. 1946, 'Iolani Palace)

She spoke on behalf of her people as well as for those who feared the Big Five and losing their jobs and livelihood.

Recently, the populace has marched. The citizens of the United States of America and the world have protested the injustice of a system that allows public servants to continually punish people of color. It was a demonstration that people want equality and justice under the law and policies of fair government. Voting is one path towards rectifying these injustices. Therefore, let us unite heaven and earth with your precious vote. ■

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Beware: Scammers are Targeting Homesteaders



By Cedric Duarte



DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS

The COVID-19 pandemic has pushed thousands of Hawai'i residents out of work. Scammers, however, are working overtime to swindle people out of their hard-earned money.

Recently, the Federal Trade Commission made state level data available about COVID-19 related complaints from consumers. The agency states that Hawai'i has seen nearly 1,000 reports of

fraud in the first quarter of 2020 alone, with residents losing \$2.8 million to illicit schemes.

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands has heard several reports of mortgage scams targeting homesteaders. In most cases, the fraudsters are offering to pay or lower the mortgage on a lessee's homestead property. Sometimes the calls are random, but in other cases the scammer is referred by a relative or friend.

The schemes offer mortgage payments made through elaborate exchanges of cashier's checks, wire transfers and loans, with fees sometimes paid to members of the scam.

In one instance, a DHHL beneficiary worked with a scammer to apply for two loans. The lessee received a cashier's check from a legitimate Hawai'i bank, which they applied to their mortgage, and another check from a mainland institution. The mainland payment was then wired to the deceiver as a fee to pay off the mortgage. Needless to say the balance of the mortgage was not paid, and the alleged scammer can no longer be

reached, leaving the homesteader with an unpaid mortgage, late fees and more debt.

DHHL would like homesteaders to be wary of mortgage schemes that seem too good to be true.

In April, DHHL implemented a legitimate program to defer mortgage payments for those with Department-issued direct loans and HUD launched mortgage forbearance for those with insured or guaranteed mortgages. If you are struggling with your mortgage payment, contact the Department at (808) 620-9500 to learn more about assistance options. ■

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Emma Kailikapuolono Metcalf Beckley Nakuina -
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Miriam Kekāuluohi



Princess Ruth Keanolani Kanahoahoa Ke'elikōlani



Victoria Kūhiō Kinoiki Kekaulike

Political Involvement of 19th Century Hawaiian Women the Focus of an Upcoming Film

By Manu Ka'iama

Did you know that the first female Supreme Court Justice of the United States of America was Sandra Day O'Connor? She was appointed by President Ronald Reagan and served from 1981-2006. Most "older" people know that. Did you know that the first female Supreme Court Justice of the Hawaiian Kingdom was Miriam Kekāuluohi? She was appointed by King Kamehameha III. She served from 1840-1845, 141 years before Sandra Day O'Connor. Most of us, even the older generations, do not know this.



Gloria Borland - Photo: Courtesy

was written by "the winners?"

Many kākana today are driven by a passion to seek the truth about our history. But there are others here in our native land who are also driven to help. One such individual is local film-

maker Gloria Borland.

Borland, who is half-Black and half-Japanese, has taken it upon herself to produce a film that tells the story of Hawai'i's female leaders. Entitled *Hawai'i Women Voted*, the film will shatter stereotypes that women in the Hawaiian Kingdom didn't vote. In actuality, Hawaiian women were politically active, contributing in many ways to the governance of Hawai'i in the 19th century. Borland hopes that sharing this aspect of Kingdom history will put that myth to rest.

For the past six months, Borland has been researching influential women in Hawai'i. It all began last July at the Women's Caucus Meeting for the Democratic Party of Hawai'i. The 100th anniversary of Women's Suffrage in 2020 was being discussed and Borland realized that all the focus was on continental suffragettes.

Borland wondered if Hawai'i also had a movement. With a quick internet search she learned that in 1912 Wilhelmine Dowsett, who was half-Hawaiian and half-German, founded the Hawai'i Chapter of Women's Suffrage. Borland wanted Hawai'i's involvement in such a crucial movement to also be acknowledged in the celebration.

Borland grew up in Hawai'i and graduated from Radford High School. After high school, she attended George Washington University, intent on pursuing a career in media. While in Washington D.C. she secured a position with Senator Daniel Inouye and worked for him throughout college. Borland later volunteered with Representative Patsy Mink.

The more that Borland learned about the political activities and influence of Hawaiian women, the more she felt compelled to tell the rest of the world about our progressive and brilliant country – the Hawaiian Kingdom – by producing a film.

As Borland delved into her research, she was floored to discover that Hawaiian Women played such a crucial role in the political history of the Hawaiian Kingdom. Of course, the 1887 "Bayonet" Constitution changed everything. This constitution was the recipe for the subsequent illegal overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom by American businessmen.

Borland's film calls attention to the fact that women in the Hawaiian Kingdom had many "rights" that were unheard

of for women in the United States during the same era. For example, when the concept of land ownership became law in Hawai'i in 1845, the right to own, buy and sell land was also given to women. And within the monarchy's House of Nobles, which represented the vested rights of the chiefly class, many women participated in decision-making for the Hawaiian Kingdom. Hawaiian women were prime ministers, judges, a supreme court justice, governors and held other equally important positions of leadership. A sample of the women featured in Borland's film include:

Emma Kailikapuolono Metcalf Beckley Nakuina: Nakuina was a judge, a government commissioner, and was made custodian of the laws of the Hawaiian Kingdom. She spoke seven languages, managed the Hawaiian Government Library and was the curator of the Hawaiian National Museum. She was a genius and her brilliance intimidated many American businessmen.

Miriam Kekāuluohi: Kekāuluohi was a Supreme Court Justice, the highest court in the land, for the Hawaiian Kingdom. She was appointed by King Kamehameha III and served from 1840 to 1845.

Princess Ruth Keanolani Kanahoahoa Ke'elikōlani: Ke'elikōlani served as governor for Hawai'i Island from 1855-1874. Governors collected taxes, presided over all judges on the island, and had oversight of the police, sheriffs, soldiers, forts and munitions of war.

Victoria Kūhiō Kinoiki Kekaulike: Kekaulike was also a governor for Hawai'i Island, serving from 1880-1884.

Today, scholars and historians fluent in Hawaiian are examining old records and translating the information they uncover. The full extent of women's political power in the Kingdom era is not fully known. We look forward to the day when the truth will be told, and histories will be corrected. We are due, at least, that consideration. Borland's film, which will debut later this year, will help to set the record straight. ■

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Hawai‘i’s History of Civic Engagement

By Puanani Fernandez-Akamine

Participation in the political process can feel futile. Outnumbered in our kulāiwi with too many lawmakers seemingly impervious to the issues that matter to our lāhui, some ‘ōiwi have simply opted out of voting. Others, not unreasonably, question the legitimacy of the current political system and have taken a political stance against participation. While these perspectives are valid, failing to participate in the political process, including voting, wastes a valuable tool in the toolkit that each one of us has as a citizen, however marginalized we may feel.

Civic engagement in the political life of the Kingdom was the norm for our kūpuna, from ali‘i to maka‘āinana. And so it must be for us today.

An example is noted activist and renaissance man, Joseph Nāwahī, who was born in 1842. He was a lawyer, artist, orator, political organizer and newspaper publisher. At the age of 30 Nāwahī was elected to the Kingdom Legislature representing Hilo. Nāwahī served nine consecutive terms in this position until the 1893 overthrow.

At that point, he and his wife, Emma ‘A‘ima Nāwahī, a political activist in her own right, founded the Hui Aloha ‘Āina political party (with both kāne and wāhine leagues) to oppose annexation to America and support Lili‘uokalani. In December 1894 Joseph Nāwahī was arrested for treason by agents of the oligarchical “Republic of Hawai‘i” established on July 4, 1894 to replace the short-lived “Provisional Government” formed after the overthrow.

Nāwahī was released from prison in the spring of 1895. Upon his release, he and Emma founded *Ke Aloha Aina*, an anti-annexationist newspaper which ran weekly through 1920. However, three months in O‘ahu Prison had exposed Nāwahī to tuberculosis, and his health deteriorated. He passed in September 1896 at the age of 54.

Emma Nāwahī continued to be actively engaged in politics. In 1897 she, along with fellow members of Hui Aloha ‘Āina, collected 21,269 signatures from citizens opposed to annexation (the Kū‘ē Petitions). After Hawai‘i was annexed by America in 1898, Nāwahī helped to organize the Hawai‘i Democratic Party and during the 1910s she was active in the women’s suffrage movement.

A contemporary of Joseph Nāwahī was Robert Wilcox, who also served in the Kingdom Legislature. Two years after members of the “Reform Party” forced Kalākaua to sign a

Republic of Hawai‘i to restore Lili‘uokalani to power. The royalists were overwhelmed and the leaders arrested, including Wilcox, who was tried for treason and sentenced to death. His sentence was later reduced to 35 years in prison, then in 1898 Wilcox was pardoned.

Undaunted, he became the Republic’s first elected delegate to the U.S. Congress, serving one term until he was beaten by Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana‘ole in the 1902 election. Wilcox passed away in 1903 after suffering a stroke at the age of 48.

Prince Kūhiō and his older brother, Prince David Kawānanakoa, were both involved in the 1895 revolution attempt, and, like Wilcox, were found guilty of treason, sentenced to death, but later pardoned.

Following his release from prison, Kūhiō became active in politics. After winning the 1902 election, he served as Hawai‘i’s representative to Congress until his passing in 1922. Despite the subversion of Hawai‘i’s constitutional monarchy, Kūhiō continued to fight within the new, imposed system for the betterment of the lāhui.

Kūhiō’s impact on the civic and political life of Hawai‘i lives on. In addition to orchestrating the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1921, he created the county government system still in place today. He also founded the first Hawaiian Civic Club in 1918, because, according to the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs’ website, Kūhiō was “anxious that his people know more about government and the community at large to carry on the tradition of civic responsibility that he felt was vital to the development of Hawai‘i and its people for a better way of life.”

If we are unhappy with what is happening in our pae ‘āina, then it is our kuleana to try and make changes for this and future generations, as did our kūpuna. Civic engagement is our cultural and political heritage, and one of the easiest and most effective ways to influence change is by voting for the leaders who share our concerns and will best represent our interests. ■



National Guardsmen Watching the Battle of Kamoiliili from the tower of the Executive Building. - Photos: Courtesy

new constitution in 1887 which limited the power of the monarchy and restricted voting to those with income and property (dubbed the “Bayonet Constitution” because it was signed at gunpoint), Wilcox led an armed insurrection to restore the powers of the monarchy. However, after a brief battle, Wilcox surrendered.

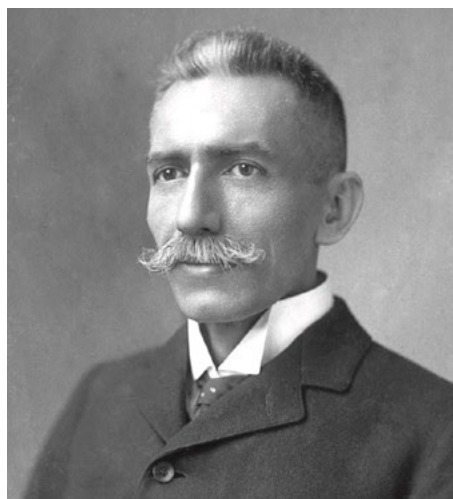
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Joseph Nāwahī



Emma ‘A‘ima Nāwahī



Robert Wilcox



Prince Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana‘ole

Hawai'i: Register to Vote by July 9

By Aliantha Lim

"My daddy changed the world!"
- Gianna Floyd

As of this writing, the Black Lives Matter protests have reached global proportions. Peaceful protests demanding justice have emerged in all 50 states, at least 50 countries, and across six continents. In Honolulu an estimated 10,000 people gathered at the Capitol on June 6th to show solidarity with the BLM movement. Many legislators have also shown their support and have committed to prioritize systemic change in law enforcement after the murder of George Floyd.

But other elected officials have not. Now is the time to stand up and be heard - in the streets and with our ballots. We need elected officials who are accountable; public servants who will represent and serve us.

Hawai'i is one of just five states implementing a universal mail-in ballot process this year, making it easy and safe to vote. If you are currently registered to vote you will automatically receive a ballot in the mail around July 21st. Voters in other states are not so lucky. In 16 states, absentee voters must provide a valid excuse to vote by mail. In Atlanta, Georgia, last month, voters waited more than eight hours to cast their ballot at the polls. Many states are currently scrambling to adjust to the increased need for absentee ballots, given health concerns related to the ongoing pandemic.

By comparison, Hawai'i has been preparing for elections by mail for more than a year.

Although the President has tweeted that elections by mail are "substantially fraudulent," scientific data does not support his claim.

In fact, the data suggests that mail-in voting may actually be more secure.

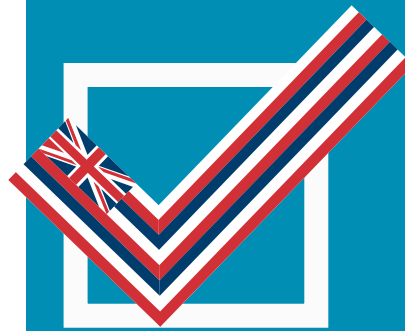
The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Election Data and Science Lab analyzed twenty years of election data and some 250 million ballots. They found that the potential for mail-in voter fraud affected no more than 0.00006% of the total vote. And a recent analysis by the Washington Post of potential mail-in voter fraud suggested a potential negative effect on just 0.0025% of the votes.

Thus, based on the data, mail-in ballots are neither fraudulent nor a threat to our free elections. In fact, vote-by-mail supports fair, accessible democratic elections and helps to ensure that all eligible citizens can participate in the voting process.

The deadline to register to vote in the Primary Election is July 9th. Visit olvr.hawaii.gov to register to vote, to update your existing voter registration, or to confirm your voter registration address. Keep in mind that the postal service cannot forward ballots, so it is important to ensure that your current mailing address is correct.

Voting this year will be easier than ever, and our participation is more critical than ever before. As a lāhui we must do our part. We need to ensure that pono people are elected as our leaders - for our 'ohana and for our 'āina. And beyond our pae 'āina, we need to use our ballots to elect pono leaders for the sake of George and Gianna Floyd and the countless lehulehu whose names we do not know, but who have suffered horribly at the hand of unjust leaders, laws and policies.

Now is the time, Hawai'i. The Primary Election is on August 8th. Let's help change the world. ■



BECOMING AN EDUCATED VOTER

Results of *Ka Wai Ola's* Candidate Survey pages 11-23

Never have the issues facing our lāhui felt so critical. At state and national levels, from the economy to the environment, from systemic racism to poverty, from health care to the pandemic response, the stakes are high and getting higher.

Voting is not just a right; it's the kuleana of everyone 18 and older.

Being an informed and educated voter is imperative. Voting based solely on name recognition or other superficial factors, without knowing what the candidates stand for, does not fulfill one's kuleana.

But with so many political races, getting to know the candidates and where they stand on the issues can be overwhelming. To kōkua, *Ka Wai Ola* surveyed all of the candidates running for office in all of the upcoming Primary Elections.

The surveys were emailed to 300+ candidates using a simple yes/no response format. In addition, candidates for OHA's Board of Trustees were asked three narrative response questions. It is important to note that not all the questions we posed to the candidates reflect OHA's formal positions or advocacy.

Last January, OHA's Aloha Rising Survey asked readers to share the issues that mattered most to them. Rising to the top were: affordable homeownership, proper management of our land and water resources, Native Hawaiian representation in government, poverty, and access to Native Hawaiian Homelands. To honor this feedback, we deliberately mixed advocacy questions with some tough questions related to these issues of importance to our lāhui.

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In the printed *Ka Wai Ola*, due to space limitations, we share the survey responses of the candidates running for OHA's Board of Trustees and for the State Senate, House of Representatives and Prosecuting Attorneys. Survey results gathered for the Congressional, Mayoral and City Council races are available for viewing and sharing on our digital news site, <https://kawaiola.news>.

Some candidates expressed their desire for a write-in format to explain their position on the issues, and we suggested that they could provide these explanations on their websites. We also invited all candidates to share their website addresses. If these were provided, they are published along with the candidate's responses. We strongly encourage voters to check-out the candidates online and learn more about them. With mail-in voting and the internet, being an informed and educated voter has never been easier.

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1. Family - All kanaka maoli 'ohana must have their basic needs for living (shelter, food, and good health).

Community-based leadership - OHA can assist communities develop community-driven programs that

benefit kanaka maoli. We need to strengthen community-based leadership. Community-based leadership should act as a catalyst for the 'ohana to access services.

Social Justice - We must build the infrastructure for multi-complex health and wellness centers, where the native Hawaiian trusts and agencies are located, allowing direct access to obtain services.

2. I am trained and experienced to lead, and manage social service and community-based agencies in order to effectively assist native Hawaiian communities. My strengths are in organizational and leadership skills, and I have decades of experience working with various levels of service on large-scale community development projects to completion.

I adopted a wise saying from Hilo's kupuna Tony Taniguchi. He said, "The difference between quality and high quality service is when the product exceeds the expectation of the customer. That is high quality." I continue to strive for excellence in all my endeavors.

3. The purpose of OHA includes: "Assessing the policies and practices of other agencies impacting on native Hawaiians and Hawaiians, and conducting advocacy efforts for native Hawaiians and Hawaiians." There are widely known and accepted kanawai that apply to Mauna A Wakea, starting from Wao Akua and above. OHA should continue to support the protectors that are dedicated to upholding these kanawai. By protecting them, the cultural and environmental integrity of the mauna will be protected. It is important for OHA to continue to advocate for those that stand for Hawaiian traditional values, and find common ground within the native Hawaiian community. If our cultural integrity is to be protected, there cannot be a Thirty Meter Telescope in or above the Wao Akua of Mauna A Wakea.

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1. The pressing issues facing the Native Hawaiian community today are affordable housing, economic self-sufficiency, and homelessness. These issues are further complicated by the global COVID-19 pandemic.

With unemployment soaring and everyone's livelihood in turmoil, we need to ensure OHA fulfills its purpose by providing resources towards improving conditions for Native Hawaiians. As a trustee, I will focus on increasing funds in the trust to improve our 'aina, perpetuate our culture, ensure economic self-sufficiency, education, governance and the health of our community.

2. As a hospitality and healthcare executive, I will bring my extensive leadership knowledge to the boardroom. I have been successful managing multimillion-dollar budgets, making strategic decisions to increase revenues and fulfill the needs of our staff and management. It is time to increase the funds in the trust, there are billions of dollars out there for OHA to support our Hawaiian Community. It is time for new blood, new energy, to get new results.

3. OHA addresses the mismanagement of Maunakea in the pending lawsuit against the State of Hawai'i and the University of Hawai'i. The lawsuit declares that the State of Hawai'i and the University of Hawai'i have breached and continue to breach their fiduciary duties by failing to properly manage the ceded lands on Maunakea. OHA needs to have a seat at the table and a say in the management of Maunakea, of which they currently do not. When OHA is included in the decision-making process, the cultural and environmental integrity of Maunakea will be appropriately protected.

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1. Affordability in Housing, Health Care and the current Economic crisis are just a few of many issues affecting the people of Hawai'i.

1. Affordable housing in Hawai'i. It costs more than half a million dollars to purchase a home here; whereas, Native Hawaiians are being forced to rent and not own.

2. Affordable Health Care. Research has proven that Native Hawaiians suffer from many chronic diseases.

3. Economic Crisis. The State's economy is at its highest. Many Native Hawaiians are being forced to leave their ancestral lands and move elsewhere.

2. I have a Master's Degree in Counseling Psychology, which makes me a person who is caring, empathetic and always looking for solutions to address the issues that we face, as Native Hawaiians. Many Homeless suffer from some type of mental health. My expertise in mental health can contribute in this type of situation and many more. Prior to this position, I was the second female in the Sheriff's Department, which has helped me to understand the issues of drugs and crimes within our communities. With my experiences and expertise, we can move forward.

3. Mauna o Wakea is a sacred place of worship for Native Hawaiians; therefore, it should be protected always. It's our religious right to worship as Native Hawaiians. Like all religions, we need to respect their rights. We do not build on churches. I understand that OHA has filed a lawsuit in 2017 to advocate on behalf of the Native Hawaiian people to hold the state accountable for its mismanagement of Mauna Kea. OHA must continue in this legal process and to ensure no further destruction on religious grounds. Give the Mauna (temple) back to the people.

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1. Housing, Health and Economic Development

2. I offer my OHA experience. Having served as trustee for the island of Moloka'i and Maui, respectively, until the US Supreme Court invalidated OHA elections in 2000. I also offer my accomplishments as former trustee, creating the Native Hawaiian Revolving Loan Fund and many health and economic programs.

I offer my 38 years of government service as a civil servant to help bring accountability, transparency, and respectability back to OHA.

3. I will support the protection of our culture and our environmental concerns of Maunakea through a consultative and acceptable process. OHA's mandate is to better the conditions of Native Hawaiians and to improve the quality of life to the extent possible; through coordination, cooperation and partnerships.

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1. These are issues I have identified as top priorities and how to address them:

1) Education: Support and participate in the implementation of the BOE and DOE Strategic Plan 2017-2020 and Hawai'i Blueprint for Public Education 2017 after consulting with OHA BAE Committee. 2) Healthcare: Collaborate with policy makers and healthcare institutions to address the provider shortage in Hawai'i and seek resources to support our Hawaiian Health Care Systems. 3) Housing: Increase beneficiary access to Hawaiian Home Lands and broaden the range of home loan options for building and maintenance available to homesteaders.

2. I am a strong and compassionate kanaka 'ōiwi who will bring my collaborative nature and experiences in various leadership positions in healthcare, education and social justice with me. My personal values are honesty, trustworthiness, dedication, hard work and a commitment to improve disparities for our people. My willingness to listen and work towards a common goal before taking action is a cornerstone of my principles.

3. OHA's 2017 lawsuit addressing the failures of the state and the university to properly manage the entire mountain laid a strong foundation and next steps which include but are not limited to the following:

1) Ensure that Hawaiians assist in all decision making. 2) Continue to seek a Court declaration of the breached and continued breach of fiduciary duties of the parties involved. 3) Insist that the parties fulfill their trust duties to properly manage the ceded lands on Maunakea and act on the prevention of any further violations. 4) Call for an accounting of the condition of our ceded lands on Maunakea, cost of management, and enter into negotiations that would pay restitution to correct the mismanagement. 5) Combine procurement from the restitution with OHA resources to identify or establish a better qualified entity to assume stewardship of Maunakea.

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1. Affordable Housing - Hawaii has the highest median home value in America at \$619,000. As an ethnic group, Hawaiians have the lowest home ownership rate among all other groups.

Homelessness - Hawai'i has the highest homeless rate in the Nation. Hawaiians, as an ethnic group, represents the largest group of homeless in Hawai'i.

Cost of Living - Hawai'i has the highest cost of living in America. As an ethnic group, Hawaiians have the lowest mean family income among all other groups.

Together, we will work to improve these numbers and reverse trends.

2. I have: a Law Degree and Bachelor's degree in Business and Economics; 35-years in corporate administration and management; 26-years in the Royal Order of Kamehameha; 10-years as a business consultant turning businesses around; 5-years with OHA's land management, providing me with an internal perspective on how to improve OHA; and 5-years co-founding the Aloha 'Āina Party. I have the combination of education, depth of experience, skill sets, and proven leadership, to help OHA be all it can be so it can more fully benefit the Hawaiian Community.

3. OHA must ensure that all relevant environmental laws, regulations, and processes are obeyed and followed.

OHA must ensure that cultural rights are known, respected, and protected, so that Hawaiians may continue to practice and interact with Mauna Kea, fully and without restriction.

Points to remember:

- (1) Establish and record cultural beliefs and practices.
- (2) Every culture evolves over time.
- (3) Perpetuation through education and practice.
- (4) The ability to practice one's faith is a fundamental human right protected by the U.S. Constitution.

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1. Housing and Homelessness, Health, Hawaiians in Prison

2. My skills and experience as a constitutional, legislative, and appeals lawyer, lobbyist in Hawai'i and Washington, D.C., combined with my training in mediation and ho'oponopono will be the tools I use to help fulfill OHA's mission to better serve Native Hawaiians.

3. Maunakea is a critical part of the ceded lands trust. Therefore, it is incumbent that OHA be part of the Management Team for Maunakea as OHA is the "voice" of our people. I advocate that OHA continue negotiating with UH to set up a new management entity. Management of Maunakea, along with other Historic Sites, should be transferred to OHA, and ultimately to a Native Hawaiian government once it is formed.

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1. Health- Impacts of chronic diseases and the need for insurance coverage to be able to afford treatment from care providers. Education- Access to and succeeding in educational opportunities at all levels is an important

way Native Hawaiians can provide for the needs of our families and serve the larger community. Financial Stability- Steady employment in the field of choice, understanding the importance of credit and living within a budget allows for the building of generational wealth and achieving dreams such as home ownership.

2. Values that commit me to work hard, put others first, remain humble and always be honest. I have nearly two decades of experience working in communities across our islands on a broad range of issues and advocating for Native Hawaiian interests at the county, state and federal levels. I will listen carefully to all perspectives and cooperate with my fellow Trustees, OHA Administration, beneficiaries and other stakeholders to develop solutions.

3. The Native Hawaiian community must be meaningfully represented at every step of the process from early planning to the decision-making level to best address this complex issue. With that said, to be successful and legitimate a given planning and decision-making structure must have clear processes, require a commitment for all stakeholders to cooperate and act responsibly, and recognize existing laws and policies.

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1. 1) The continued fight for justice against the military occupation and colonization of the Hawaiian nation by the USA and the State of Hawai'i. **2) Economic** inequality, lack of economic diversity, and gentrification leads to kanaka being priced out of affordable living. These preexisting issues have now been exacerbated due to the current COVID-19 pandemic. **3) Address** the mismanagement of agricultural and conservation lands leading to environmental degradation, exploitation of natural resources, loss of revenue, and the continued destruction of sacred sites and iwi kūpuna.

2. I am an innovative, forward thinking kanaka rooted in the foundation of our 'ike kūpuna. 'Ike in alignment with the ecology of these islands. I am not afraid to think out of the box, to challenge the norm or status quo when and where necessary.

The years spent as an educator at various schools and community settings enabled me to become a skilled listener and communicator that values diverse perspectives.

I am not ashamed to ask for help and will actively seek out and bring together those who do hold the knowledge and skills to address the tasks at hand. "Kui Lehua."

3. OHA should first put its full support behind the protection of Maunakea and oppose any further destructive development projects. The pending lawsuit that OHA filed against the state for mismanagement and failing to protect these sacred conservation lands is a great start.

I would advocate that OHA push for the lands of Maunakea, which are Hawaiian Crown lands, to be removed from the state inventory and, like Kaho'olawe, placed into a trust land reserve. OHA should then support the formation of a quasi-autonomous body to assume the management of Maunakea.

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1. • We have poor access to stable affordable housing, meaningful employment, health issues, and food security. • Waiting for others to do something for us instead of making and taking it upon ourselves making the opportunity to improve the situation for us.

• We need to ensure the improvement of useful education and job skills to become productive in society and to help others.

2. • Like most of the local people here, I grew up in a scarce resource environment. I used this experience to help the community in community service occupations. I have been a Hawaii County Police Officer, Hawaii County Firefighter and paramedic, a registered nurse, and now a physician. These experiences have allowed me the opportunity to provide essential helpful services to the community and in turn, learn from the community.

• As a successful small business owner, I learned to manage, develop resources, and provide vital services to others in need. I have learned about accounting, budgeting, thinking "outside of the box", problem-solving, and leadership.

3. • TMT and Mauna Kea have been a volatile issue. Prior to 2020, the Hawaii island poverty rate was 17.4%. This recent Covid-19 crisis has crippled the tourist-dependent Hawaii economy and there has been a huge job loss, business closings, increased stress, and life uncertainty.

• I support the creation of higher-paying jobs and employment stability with a diversified economic base. What I don't support is the mismanagement by the state in the management of Mauna Kea.

• Let's look at feasible ways to improve income generation (ie: lease negotiation) from the entities that use Mauna Kea and utilize a portion of the funds to protect Mauna Kea for everyone.

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1. The 1893 illegal occupation, international human rights violations, humanitarian violations and war crimes. The 1896 policy of denationalization banning Hawaiian language. The 1906 denationalization policy of Americanization in Hawaii public schools that targets Hawaiian children for extermination. These three policies combined obliterated the Hawaiian identity from the minds and hearts of the Hawaiian people that I describe as GENOCIDE in the Hawaiian Kingdom.

The State of Hawai'i executive, judicial and legislative branches are continuing to ignore systemic racism, discrimination and incarceration programs that continue to target Hawaiians for extermination. Justice delayed is justice denied! 127 years of injustice needs to stop immediately!

The State of Hawai'i agency the Department of Hawaiian Homelands continues to create policies that evicts and obstructs wait listers from being able to access the Federal congressionally approved 1920 Hawaiian Homes Commission Act. Hawaiians are dying waiting for the 100 year federal rehabilitation program. Below is another example of how the State of Hawai'i steals Hawaiian Homes on Hawaiian Homelands targeting Hawaiians for GENOCIDE. Mauna Kea access road theft and eviction of wait listers community program Hale o Kuhio. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NbxUKAQRfmg> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K5VPC3m04k&t=11s>

2. PhD candidate and years of research identifying historical injustices that has evolved into systemic racism, discrimination and injustice cloaked by settler colonialism that amounts to GENOCIDE. Olelo Hawaii, team leader, team collaborator, trustworthy, reliable, transparent, cultural practitioner, businessman, father of seven keiki.

3. Stop ignoring the Hawaiians who have been working on Mauna Kea for decades like Kahaanapilo, Sonny Kaniho, Pat Kaha-waiolaa, Hunters & Gatherers, Cultural practitioners, Beneficiary Trust Council, Koa Kiai and the Kanaka Rangers. Allow these Hawaiians and organizations to have oversight for the future management of Mauna Kea. Stop ignoring and excluding the Hawaiians who have ancestral ties to Mauna Kea.

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1. Affordable Housing (defined as what our DHHL waitlist ohana can afford)/ Homelessness. Hawaiians know all too well the sad story of not having a home in their ancestral homeland. This has to change immediately **2. Health Care** - including immediate needs for COVID protection & support for hot-meal services for poor, unemployed families & Kūpuna. **3. Self Sustenance.** DHHL and OHA must work together to insure Hawaiians living on agricultural lands are able to purchase, grow and harvest food to feed their family and even their community.

2. The skills that I offer OHA in fulfilling its mission are relevant to my 30 plus years as a small business woman who ran several business related activities that have successfully procured sponsorships, negotiated with company owners for partnership in promoting our events, served as Director of Public Relations and the executive marketing department, and partnered with charitable organizations by aligning social awareness platforms. Organized and directed events and created scripts for presentation and performances. Success comes from service to the people first.

3. Maunakea needs a REAL cultural protection plan & a real land management plan. DLNR & State Commercial Science have been unable to achieve this. OHA needs to address this & can facilitate by working with the Hawaiian beneficiaries to create a plan & get it implemented -by cooperative effort or worse case scenario, going to court.

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1. Self-sufficiency, Independence, Perpetuation
2. As the MOLOKA'I - LĀNA'I Trustee, I would bring 70+ years and six generations of Hawaiian Homesteading, Education, Cultural Practitioner and Moloka'i community involvement.

3. Work with kūpuna and the communities of Hawai'i Island, Listen to the kānaka of our entire pae 'āina. Share, Communicate, Teach, Perpetuate and Defend the right of people and future generations! Support physically, spiritually and financially!

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1. The three top issues facing the Native Hawaiian community are economic self-sufficiency, access to affordable housing, and protecting our 'āina and wai resources for future generations. Our keiki deserve to grow-up knowing that they can live and thrive in Hawai'i without concerns of being priced out of their own home. The 'āina not only provides for our people, but also ties us culturally and spiritually to our ancestors. We have a responsibility to mālama all of these resources.

2. As a grassroots organizer, I have been at the forefront of movements to protect our 'āina and advance the needs of our Lāhui over several decades. I am straightforward and honest in my approach and in the way I work with others. I always stand up for what I believe is right, and give a voice to people who feel they are not being heard. I have a long record in working successfully with community leaders and elected officials across different levels of government to advance the needs of our people.

3. OHA must stay its course in its advocacy for improved stewardship of Maunakea, which includes seeing through its lawsuit to hold the State of Hawai'i and University of Hawai'i accountable for decades of mismanagement. OHA must also continue to lift the voices of kūpuna and other community leaders who have taken on the kuleana to mālama Maunakea's cultural and environmental resources.

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1. 1. Economic Recovery. We at OHA need to use a multi-pronged approach focused on advocacy and investment for adequate health protections, economic opportunity, and housing options.
2. Affordable housing. OHA must work closely with the DHHL and other trusts to ensure that affordable housing options are provided for beneficiaries of the DHHL trust. **3. Access to land for farming food.** The State and the Hawaiian trusts must immediately inventory all available agricultural lands and invest in clearing those lands to make them available for farming.

2. OHA must do better at prioritizing the needs of our community. That requires ongoing consultation and engagement. In my time at OHA, we have been most effective when working alongside community stakeholders. We can be even more effective at this by starting up community advisory committees. OHA must also diversify our investment strategies. We are currently working closely with the administration to develop strong policies that will allow us to effectively manage our Hawai'i Direct Investment program.

3. The astronomy industry, the University of Hawai'i, and the State of Hawai'i have failed for over 50 years to adequately manage the pinnacle of sacred land of the Native Hawaiian people that also happens to be the most valuable land on the planet earth for the astronomy industry. Additionally, the State and the UH have effectively given that land away via \$1 subleases, without ever clearly articulating the benefit to the people of Hawai'i, who have effectively subsidized a billion dollar industry. The gap cannot be closed until those issues are addressed.

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1. The issues facing our community today are reclaiming ceded lands, the preservation of our culture, and human trafficking. Today we are witnessing a wave of Native Hawaiians doing everything they can to reclaim their rightful lands. We need to reclaim a lot of our culture and a huge part of that would be to implement Hawaiian language back into the public schools. With 64% of the homeless population identifying as Hawaiian and 75% of trafficked victims reporting they were homeless, we are systematically endangering our native population.

2. One of my skills is communication, we currently see a lack of communication between trustees and OHA. Both sides have become very frustrated with each other over poor communication and that is a major issue I intend to rectify. Another one of my skills is my ability to use technology, I believe using technology to reach our beneficiaries needs better implementation. We should be taking advantage of technology to better serve our beneficiaries in guiding them to receive the benefits they qualify for not just in OHA but outside resources as well.

3. The lease hold of Mauna Kea needs to be revoked immediately from the University of Hawai'i and they should not be allowed to renew their lease. Building permits for the the telescope on Mauna Kea need to be suspended, investigated for corruption and voided.

SMITH, Kamealoha

Nonpartisan Special

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 Outreach Educator & Program Administrator
 khs96703@gmail.com
 www.kamealohasmith4oha.com



1. I believe the top three issues are, affordable housing, unemployment/underemployment, & food security/sovereignty. All of these issues are interrelated. Not far behind is education, access to health care, and drug addiction.

2. I offer my 25 years of experience as an Outreach Educator and Non-profit Administrator. I've devoted my energy as a professional to community organization, advocacy, and education. Currently I participate in the development of these pursuits through grant writing, developing educational and training programs, and working to improve relationships between Native Hawaiians and private businesses, government agencies, and the larger Hawai'i Community. Being able to bring people together to collaborate in the spirit of lokahi is a valuable skill when fostering partnerships with others. If duly elected as the Trustee for the island of Kaua'i, I plan to bring this same sense of commitment, integrity, and no-nonsense solutions to OHA.

3. What I appreciate about what is going on in the movement with regard to Maunakea, is that I see so many Hawaiians with solutions that reflect their deep commitment to preserving & perpetuating Hawaiian language, culture, history, self-determination, and self-identity. This same standard of commitment and care should be applied in all situations that involve wahi pana and wahi kapu. To better ensure that Maunakea's integrity is appropriately protected starts with a transparent and inclusive process. If elected, I would propose to establish a Maunakea Subcommittee. A Subcommittee would be subject to public disclosure rules. Having access to meeting minutes and knowing when meetings take place beforehand, will provide the opportunities that beneficiaries are seeking to participate in this process.

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AT-LARGE

1

What are the top three issues facing the Native Hawaiian community today?

2

OHA's mission is to improve conditions for Native Hawaiians. What skills do you offer to help OHA fulfill its mission?

3

How can OHA better ensure that Maunakea and its cultural and environmental integrity are appropriately protected?

AKINA, Keli'i

Nonpartisan Special

AGE: 62

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🌐 www.keliakina.com



1. Research shows that Hawaiians consider housing, income, and healthcare to be among their three greatest needs. With the Coronavirus crisis, these needs have intensified. That is why I have pushed OHA to focus on meeting basic needs rather than on pursuing controversial political agendas. As a Trustee, I initiated a three-point plan to develop the land and resources of OHA's trust to meet the needs of Hawaiians: 1) Protect the Trust through audits and sound fiscal policy; 2) Grow the Trust by developing Kaka'ako Makai and other properties; and, 3) Use the Trust for real 'bread and butter' needs of beneficiaries, especially those in poverty.

2. When I became a trustee in 2016, the skill I used was the ability to stand up and challenge the system. I fought on behalf of beneficiaries to rid OHA of fraud, waste, and abuse. Despite opposition, I championed a historic independent audit which is now the blueprint for change. And to set an example, I refused to accept personal Trustee Allowance funds until needed reforms were made. The board unanimously approved my independent audit proposal and has now adopted policies for financial reform which I proposed when first elected. These measures show my other skill of cooperating with fellow trustees toward positive outcomes.

3. OHA must foster a shared commitment between Hawaiians who oppose the construction of the TMT on Maunakea and those who support it. That shared commitment is to practice the value of Mālama 'Āina by ensuring pono (proper and sustainable) management of the Mauna. With pono management, there is room for both the scientific and the sacred. OHA's litigation and negotiation efforts are an important part of the process, but OHA must also provide the leadership needed to end the rift between fellow Hawaiians which threatens the peace and possibilities of Maunakea.

BURKE, Jackie Kahookele

Nonpartisan Special

AGE: 68

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🌐 www.burke4aloha.vote



1. Self-Sufficiency - a solid foundation built on housing, health (including dental) & education opportunities interlocked into a functional paradigm sustainable over generations. **2)** Economic stability - earning a living wage supported by programs to booster and support aimed to leverage financial needs such as the loan & grants and lowering qualifying ratios. **3)** Nationhood building as "National Citizen Based " not tribal race based, all descendants of citizens of the Kingdom (not American citizens living in Hawai'i)

2. I have a diverse background in skill sets and experiences. I spent 10 years in travel, 10 in media: radio, TV, & print and 10 in academia, graduating with Masters in Public Health & Urban and Regional Planning. A business owner & publisher with 50 years in community service: Lieutenant in the Civil Air Patrol, NH Chamber of Commerce Treasurer, Hawai'i Community Development Board building affordable housing, etc. At 8-years-old I won my first art contest & my "Papa ame Wakea" painting has a free educational license to Hawaiian schools.

3. Maunakea is the catalyst for the "Change in status of the Hawaiian Nation", and TMT should never be built, it offers no solutions to pollution & climate change problems. While looking up, below the planet is dying and there are transmitting satellites above the earth's atmosphere! Our deep cultural & environmental integrity is correct to stop unnecessary disturbance and force the human mind to really put the real value into this planet's needs. Remove the old scopes & redirect humanity in the direction of planet sustainability, a Hawaiian value.

HANAKAHI, Kaipo

Nonpartisan Special

AGE: 33

📍 Entrepreneur
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🌐 www.hanakahiforoha.org



1. Economics. Native Hawaiians have not been justly compensated by the State's use of crown lands, and receives 3.8% (15.1M) while the States legal commitment of 20% (78.8M) of ceded land revenue had never been honored.

Governance. Native Hawaiian assets are constantly being targeted and assaulted by State agencies who operate with revenues withheld from Native Hawaiians and allowing foreign corporations to continuously dishonor State public trusts laws.

Education. Native Hawaiians are being kept ignorant of their advanced technological innovations.

2. As a cultural practitioner, I am proficient in exhibiting traditional values environmentally, spiritually, socially and industriously. With an entrepreneurial background, I have contributed towards proposals and established relations with members of both Republican and Democratic parties, to create sustainable ways of economics through manufacturing and exporting products.

3. OHA must continue serving and defending the assets on behalf of the beneficiaries with court proceedings.

KAWAAUHAU, Larry

Nonpartisan Special

AGE: 52

📍 Range Safety Technician

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🌐 none



1. A) Basic needs home, food, health care, employment, for the stability of Native Hawaiians

B) Nonpayment of full 20% of PLT revenues

C) Protection of natural resources

2. My skills as a military soldier to complete all task required of me, my values of being loyal, and trustworthy, I take to OHA. As a trustee at large to fulfill the OHA's mission statement, to improve and protect the conditions of the Native Hawaiians. By bridging us back together to build trust.

3. OHA must be part of the decision making with the state of Hawaii, on all sales, leases, and rentals ceded lands.

PALACAT-NELSEN, Shane

Nonpartisan Special

AGE: 50

📍 Community Outreach Advocate

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🌐 www.shaneforoha.com



1. The top three issues Native Hawaiians face are economic resilience, self-governance, and sustaining resources that support our community. We need to rebuild a new, sustainable, and resilient economy, so we can focus less on surviving and strive for self-governance. And when we are self-determining, we can grow and sustain the resources we need for our community. Ola kānaka, ola Hawai'i. Hawaiians thrive, Hawai'i will thrive.

2. OHA's boardroom needs leaders with skills who balance the needs of both our culture and economy, assert our rights as we navigate this "new normal," and restore the pilina between the beneficiaries and the trust's decision-makers. Decades of doing community work, 15 years in tourism, and nearly eight years at OHA will help do this. I commit to applying my knowledge of key issues across Hawai'i, facilitate difficult discussions on complex matters, effective grassroots advocacy strategies, strategic thinking and execution, and team- and relationship-building to the board.

3. The future of the Thirty Meter Telescope on Maunakea is uncertain. The immediate term, continue to dialogue and engage with the University of Hawai'i, the State, and the County of Hawai'i. Long term, OHA can advocate to broaden project development and approval processes to include community in the initial planning phases to address concerns early on, bridging decision-makers and community engagement in good faith, we can work toward maintaining cultural and environmental integrity, mitigating negative impacts, and realizing benefits for all.

SONODA, Lenson

Nonpartisan Special

AGE: 69

📍 Marketing/Sales . Entrepreneur . Entertainer. MC

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🌐 none



1. 1) KUPUNA/ 'OHANA Caregivers
2) HOMELESSNESS/ Home Ownership
3) PROTECTING Vulnerable persons.

2. 2 years Hospice / 15 years Kupuna Caregiving. 30 plus years Travel & Visitor industry.

Entrepreneur . Entertainer MC. I have worked with many diverse people extending my hand in friendship and ALOHA to work together as a Team player and a Leader when needed.

3. Dismantle and remove all structures making way for 1 Telescope to be co-managed by Hawaiian Council leading its stewardship into the future.

Sharing opportunities of employment, commerce, science, discovery, education, mentoring Keiki and advancement of our community.

Acknowledge and recognize the Mauna as sacred along with freedom to practice traditional Hawaiian culture and worship without hindrance.

SOUZA, Keoni

Nonpartisan Special

AGE: 35

📍 Realtor

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🌐 SouzaforOHA.com



1. LACK OF HOUSING. As OHA Trustee At-Large I want to work with beneficiaries and secure stable housing through financial literacy and home-ownership education.

EDUCATION. I want to create education funding at an affordable price from early childhood education to graduate scholarships for students and educational funding for trades careers as well.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. OHA holds a large portfolio of assets and resources. One of my priorities is to work with other Native Hawaiian organizations to better utilize resources and create additional revenue opportunities.

2. My primary goal is to create a strong foundation for our local and Native Hawaiian community to grow from. Some of the skills I will bring to OHA are my connection to community and culture, leadership, vision for Hawai'i's future, and the Hawaiian values passed down from my parents and kūpuna. I look forward to working not just with other Trustees and OHA staff, but with the lāhui as a whole to build a better future for all.

3. OHA's current stance as being neutral is not enough. It has an obligation to be involved in the current land and community challenges happening on Maunakea. As Trustee, I will stand with the kānaka 'ōiwi because when Native Hawaiians thrive, Hawai'i as a whole thrives.

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TRUSTEE

ANSWER KEY: YES NO

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Q4 | Do you support legislation to incentivize diversified, regenerative agriculture and establish 100% self-sustainable food resources for Hawai‘i to establish food sovereignty?

Q5 | Should the state land use commission's unique procedures protecting public trust resources and Native Hawaiian rights be reduced or removed when urban-type developments are proposed for agricultural or rural lands?

TRUSTEE | HAWAI‘I ISLAND

ALMEIDA, KAUILANI

www.KauilaniforOHA.org

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

CASHMAN-AIU, NOELANI

cashman-aiu.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

DESOTO-MCCOLLOUGH, LAURA

none

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

HAO, LOUIS

none

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

HOFFELD, CYD L.

www.Cyd4oha.org

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

ISHIBASHI, PUA

www.puaishibashi.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

KIHOI, LEI

www.leikihoi.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

LINDSEY, KEOLA

www.keolalindsey.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

MANGAUIL, LANAKILA

www.lanakilaforoha.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

PAU, LOUIS

none

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

WILSON, KALANIAKEA

www.wilson4oha.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

TRUSTEE | MOLOKA‘I

ALAPA, LUANA

AlapaforOHA.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

KAHUE-CABANTING, U‘I

facebook.com/Ui-Kahue-Cabanting-for-OHA-Molokai-105557334477171/

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: NO Q4: YES Q5: NO

MACHADO, COLETTE

www.machadoforoha.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

TRUSTEE | KAUA‘I

AHUNA, DAN

none

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

PEREZ, BRITTNY

www.brittnyperezforoha.org

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

SMITH, KAMEALOA

www.kamealohasmith4oha.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

TRUSTEE | AT-LARGE

AKINA, KELI‘I

www.keliakina.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: NO Q4: YES Q5: NO

BURKE, JACKIE

www.burke4aloha.vote

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

HANAKAHI, KAIPO

www.hanakahiforoha.org

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: NO Q4: YES Q5: NO

KAWAAUHAU, LARRY

none

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

PALACAT-NELSEN, SHANE

www.shaneforoha.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

SONODA, LENSON

none

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

SOUZA, KEONI

SouzaforOHA.com

Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE

STATE SENATOR

ANSWER KEY:
 YES
NO

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Q5 | Would you support a "green fee" levied on every visitor to the state that would be used exclusively to support conservation programs (invasive species removal, reforestation, establishment of additional nature preserves/sanctuaries, etc.)?

DISTRICT 02 | Puna, Ka'u

BURROWS, SMILEY
 Democrat
 [www.facebook.com/smileyburrowsforsenate](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NO RESPONSE

KA-IPO, RON G. | Aloha 'Āina [none](#)
SAN BUENAVENTURA, JOY. | Democrat [www.joy4puna.com](#)

DISTRICT 05 | Wailuku, Waihe'e, Kahului

KEEN, RYNETTE IPO
 Aloha 'Āina
 [none](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NO RESPONSE

KAJIWARA-GUSMAN, CHRISTY | Republican [none](#)
KEITH-AGARAN, GIL S. COLOMA | Democrat [www.gilkeithagaran.com](#)

DISTRICT 08 | Kāua'i, Ni'ihau

NO RESPONSE

KOUCHI, RONALD DAN | Democrat [www.ronkouchi.com](#)

DISTRICT 09 | Hawai'i Kai, Kuli'ou'ou, Niu, 'Āina Haina, Wai'ālae-Kāhala, Diamond Head

CHANG, STANLEY
 Democrat
 [www.stanleychang.com](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

SLOM, SAM M.
 Republican
 [www.samslom.com](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: NO

DISTRICT 10 | Kaimukī, Kapahulu, Pālolo, Maunalani Heights, St. Louis Heights, Mō'ili'ili, Ala Wai

HIGGINS, VICKI B.
 Democrat
 [higgins2020.net](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NO RESPONSE

ARRIOLA, JESUS | Democrat [www.jesusarriola.com](#)
IHARA, LES S., JR. | Democrat [www.lesiharajr.org](#)
SHIRAISHI, PAUL J. | Nonpartisan [www.paulshiraishi.com](#)

DISTRICT 11 | Mānoa, Makiki, Punchbowl, Papakōlea

NO RESPONSE

TANIGUCHI, BRIAN T. | Democrat [none](#)

DISTRICT 13 | Dowsett Highlands, Pu'unui, Nu'uuanu, Pacific Heights, Pauoa, Punchbowl, Pālana, Liliha, Iwilei, Chinatown, and Downtown

MCDONALD, KEVIN (SHADOW)
 Democrat
 [www.voteforkevin.com](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: YES

RHOADS, KARL A.
 Democrat
 [www.karlrhoads.org](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

DISTRICT 14 | Kapālama, 'Ālewa, Kalihi Valley, Ft. Shafter, Moanalua Gardens & Valley, portions of Hālawā and 'Āiea

NO RESPONSE

KIM, DONNA MERCADO | Democrat [www.donnamercadokim.com](#)

DISTRICT 15 | Kalihi, Māpunapuna, Airport, Salt Lake, Āliamanu, Foster Village, Hickam, Pearl Harbor

NO RESPONSE

WAKAI, GLENN | Democrat [www.glennwakai.com](#)

DISTRICT 19 | 'Ewa Beach, Ocean Pointe, 'Ewa by Gentry, Iroquois Point, portion of 'Ewa Villages

CLARK, JOHN H., III
 Democrat
 [www.clark4senate.com](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NO RESPONSE

CABANILLA ARAKAWA, RIDA | Democrat [www.ridacabanilla.com](#)
FEVELLA, KURT | Republican [www.fevella4ewa.com](#)

DISTRICT 20 | Kapolei, Makakilo, and portions of 'Ewa, Kalaeloa, and Waipahū

BONOAN, FEENA M.
 Libertarian
 [www.feena4district20.com](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: NO

GABBARD, MIKE
 Democrat
 [www.mikegabbard.com](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

DISTRICT 22 | Mililani Mauka, Waipi'o Acres, Wheeler, Wahiawā, Whitmore Village, portion of Poamoho

CUARESMA, THORA-JEAN (T.J.)
 Democrat
 [none](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

FANENE, BANNER S.
 Nonpartisan
 [www.banner4senate.com](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

MILLER, JOHN E.
 Republican
 [none](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NO RESPONSE

DELA CRUZ, DONOVAN | Democrat [www.donovandelacruz.com](#)

DISTRICT 25 | Kailua, Lanikai, Enchanted Lake, Keolu Hills, Maunawili, Waimānalo, Hawai'i Kai, Portlock

KIM-MARSHALL, KRISTINA
 Republican
 [www.kristina4hawaii.com](#)
 Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NO RESPONSE

LEE, CHRIS | Democrat [www.chrisleehawaii.com](#)

HAWAI‘I STATE LEGISLATURE

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

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DISTRICT 01 | Hāmākua, North Hilo, South Hilo

NAKASHIMA, MARK M.	www.marknakashima.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: YES
SHIN, LORRAINE PUALANI	lorraineforhousedistrict1.com
Republican	Q1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

DISTRICT 02 | Keaukaha, parts of Hilo, Pana‘ewa, Waiākea

NO RESPONSE	
MCMACKIN, DEVIN SHAW, SR Aloha ‘Āina	none
TODD, CHRISTOPHER L.T. Democrat	www.toddforhawaii.com

DISTRICT 03 | Hilo, Kea‘au, Kurtistown, Volcano

FOGEL, FREDERICK F.	www.ffogel.net
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: NO
MATSON, SHANNON LOPEKA	www.electshannonmatson.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NO RESPONSE	
HUGHES, SUSAN Republican	none
ONISHI, RICHARD H.K. Democrat	www.friendsforrichardonishi.com

DISTRICT 04 | Puna

HAUMEA, DESMON ANTONE	www.desmonantonehaumea.net
Aloha ‘Āina	Q1: NO Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
LEY, BRIAN	www.votebrianley.com
Nonpartisan	Q1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: NO

NO RESPONSE	
CERMELJ, HOPE (ALOHALANI) Republican	none
ILAGAN, GREGGOR Democrat	www.voteilagan.com
OHARA, EILEEN Democrat	www.ohara4puna.com

DISTRICT 05 | 5

BONDERA, COLEHOUR	none
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
DECKER, CITLALLI JOHANNA	none
Aloha ‘Āina	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

KAPELA, JEANNE	www.jeannekapela.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
LAST, MICHAEL L.	none
Libertarian	Q1: NO Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: NO

NO RESPONSE	
CREAGAN, RICHARD Democrat	www.facebook.com/Rep.Creagan

DISTRICT 06 | Kailua-Kona, Hōlualoa, Kalaea, Honokōhau

NO RESPONSE	
LOWEN, NICOLE Democrat	www.nicolelowen.com

DISTRICT 07 | North Kona, North Kohala, South Kohala

TARNAS, DAVID A.	www.votetarnas.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

DISTRICT 08 | Kahakuloa, Waihe‘e, Waiehu, Pu‘uohala, Wailuku, Waikapū

AIWOHI, KA‘APUNI	www.votekaapuni.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
HASHIMOTO, TROY	www.troyhashimoto.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

HILL, ROBERT G., III	none
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

DISTRICT 09 | Kahului, Pu‘unēnē, Old Sand Hills, Maui Lani

CHRPALYK, KAHALA JEN	www.votealoha.org
Aloha ‘Āina	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
WOODSON, JUSTIN H.	none
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

DISTRICT 10 | West Maui, Mā‘alaea, North Kihei

BALINBIN, KANAMU	none
Republican	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
GYLDSTRAND, TRAVIS D.E.	www.votealoha.org
Aloha ‘Āina	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NAKOA, LEONARD K., III	none
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NO RESPONSE	
MCKELVEY, ANGUS L.K. Democrat	www.facebook.com/RepMcKelvey

DISTRICT 11 | Kihei, Wailea, Makena

WILDBERGER, TINA M.L.	www.tinawildberger.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
NO RESPONSE	
COUCH, DON Democrat	www.doncouch.com
GREENBERG, HOWARD E. Aloha ‘Āina	www.votealoha.org

DISTRICT 12 | Spreckelsville, Pukalani, Makawao, Kula, Kēōkea, ‘Ulupalakua, Kahului

RUSSELL, SIMON S.	www.russell2020.org
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
NO RESPONSE	
YAMASHITA, KYLE T. Democrat	none

DISTRICT 13 | Ha‘ikū, Hāna, Kaupō, Kīpahulu, Nāhiku, Pā‘ia, Kaho‘olawe, Lāna‘i, Moloka‘i, Molokini

DECOITE, LYNN P.	www.votelynndecoite.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
RITTE, WALTER	www.facebook.com/RitteforHouseD13
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

VANDERPOOL, ROBIN	www.robinvanderpool.com
Republican	Q1: NO Q2: NO Q3: NO Q4: NO Q5: NO

NO RESPONSE	
KAPAKU, THERESA Aloha ‘Āina	www.votealoha.com

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DISTRICT 14 | Hanalei, Princeville, Kīlauea, Anahola, Kapa’a, Wailua

MONAS, STEVE	 www.facebook.com/VoteSteveMonas
Republican	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
NO RESPONSE	
NAKAMURA, NADINE K. Democrat	 www.nadinenakamura.com


DISTRICT 15 | Wailua Homesteads, Hanamā‘ulu, Līhu‘e, Puhi, Old Kōloa Town, ‘Ōma‘o

NO RESPONSE	
TOKIOKA, JAMES KUNANE Democrat	 none
YODER, STEVE Republican	 www.gopkauai.com




DISTRICT 16 | Ni‘ihau, Lehua, Kōloa, Waimea

NO RESPONSE	
DES, ANA MO Republican	 none
MORIKAWA, DAYNETTE (DEE) Democrat	 none




DISTRICT 17 | Hawai‘i Kai, Kalama Valley

KOGACHI, KEITH	 www.keithkogachi.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
NO RESPONSE	
WARD, GENE Republican	 www.gene-ward.com



DISTRICT 18 | Hahaione, Kuli‘ou‘ou, Niu Valley, Āina Haina, Wai‘ālae, Kāhala

NO RESPONSE	
DRISKILL, TOMMY, III Democrat	 none
HASHEM, MARK JUN Democrat	 none
FORD, LORI Republican	 www.voteloriford.com

DISTRICT 19 | Wai‘ālae, Kāhala, Diamond Head, Kaimukī, Kapahulu

PARRISH, MICHAEL L. (MIKE)	 none
Nonpartisan	Q1: NO Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: NO
NO RESPONSE	
CHEN, WAYNE American Shopping	 none
KOBAYASHI, BERTRAND (BERT) Democrat	 none

DISTRICT 20 | St. Louis Heights, Pālolo, Maunalani Heights, Wilhelmina Rise, Kaimukī



GARDNER, REBECCA P. (BECKY)	 www.beckygardnerhawaii.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
TURBIN, DEREK A.	 www.derekturbin.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NO RESPONSE	
ALLEN, JULIA E. Republican	 www.julia20.com
ISHIBASHI, JAY I. Democrat	 www.jayishibashi.com
SAYAMA, JACKSON Democrat	 www.jacksonsayama.com

DISTRICT 21 | Kapahulu, McCully, Mō‘ili‘ili

NO RESPONSE	
NISHIMOTO, SCOTT Y. Democrat	 none

DISTRICT 22 | Waikiki, Ala Moana

BROWER, TOM	 none
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
TAM, ADRIAN	 www.adrianforhawaii.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NO RESPONSE	
OCHS, NICHOLAS R. Republican	 www.facebook.com/OchsForHawaii


DISTRICT 23 | Mānoa, Punahou, University, Mō‘ili‘ili

NO RESPONSE	
KOBAYASHI, DALE Democrat	 www.dalekobayashi.com

DISTRICT 24 | Makiki, Tantalus, Papakōlea, McCully, Pāwa‘a, Mānoa

SEXTON, ANDY, JR. (UMI)	 AlohaAinaParty.Com
Aloha ‘Āina	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
NO RESPONSE	
BELATTI, DELLA AU Democrat	 www.facebook.com/RepBelatti

DISTRICT 25 | Makiki, Punchbowl, Nu‘uanu, Dowsett Highlands, Pacific Heights, Pauoa

NO RESPONSE	
LUKE, SYLVIA Democrat	 none

DISTRICT 26 | McCully, Kāheka, Kaka‘ako, Downtown

IWAMOTO, KIM COCO	 www.kimcoco.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
NO RESPONSE	
SAIKI, SCOTT K. Democrat	 none



DISTRICT 27 | Nu‘uanu, Liliha, Pu‘unui, Ālewa Heights

NO RESPONSE	
OHNO, TAKASHI Democrat	 www.takashiohno.com




DISTRICT 28 | Kalihi Valley, Kamehameha Heights, portion of Lower Kalihi


NO RESPONSE	
MIZUNO, JOHN M. Democrat	 www.facebook.com/john.mizuno

DISTRICT 29 | Kalihi, Pālama, Iwilei, Chinatown

HOLT, DANIEL	 www.votedanielholt.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
LOGUE, JAMES	 www.logueforhouse.com
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

DISTRICT 30 | Kalihi Kai, Sand Island, Hickam, Pearl Harbor, Ford Island, Hālawā Valley Estate

AZINGA, P. M. (PUALANI)	 none
Republican	Q1: NO Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
CACHOLA, ROMY M	 none
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
GANADEN, ERNESTO M. (SONNY)	 www.ganadenforhawaii.org
Democrat	Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NO RESPONSE	
QUILINGKING, TESS ABALOS Republican	 none

HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

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DISTRICT 31	Moanalua, Red Hill, Foster Village, 'Aiea, Fort Shafter, Moanalua Gardens, Āliamanu, Lower Pearlridge
NO RESPONSE	
JOHANSON, AARON LING	Democratwww.votejohanson.com
DISTRICT 32	Moanalua Valley, Salt Lake, Āliamanu
NO RESPONSE	
ICHIYAMA, LINDA	Democratwww.lindaichiyama.com
DISTRICT 33	'Aiea
BOYETTE, JENNIFER (JENNY)	Republicanwww.voteboyette.comQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: NO
NO RESPONSE	
ARAKAKI, TRACY AARON	Democratwww.arakakiforaiea.com
KONG, SAM SATORU	Democratnone
DISTRICT 34	Pearl City, Waimalu, Pacific Palisades
SIMON, KEONE F.	Republicanwww.votekeonesimon.comQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: YES
NO RESPONSE	
TAKAYAMA, GREGG	Democratwww.greggtakayama.com
DISTRICT 35	Pearl City, Mānana, Waip'i'o
KAHAU, KELINE-KAMEYO	www.linkedin.com/in/keline-kahau Aloha 'ĀinaQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
NO RESPONSE	
HOOD, CARL E.	Republicannone
TAKUMI, ROY M.	Democratwww.facebook.com/RepRoyTakumi
DISTRICT 36	Mililani Mauka, Mililani
LA CHICA, TRISH	Democratwww.trishlachica.comQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
LEE, MARILYN B.	Democratwww.marilynblee.comQ1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
OKIMOTO, VAL	Republicanwww.valokimoto.comQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: NO
DISTRICT 37	Mililani, Waip'i'o Gentry, Waikele
YAMANE, RYAN I.	Democratwww.facebook.com/RepRyanYamaneQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: NO
NO RESPONSE	
SVRCINA, EMIL	Republicanwww.emilclearchoice.com
DISTRICT 38	Waipahū
NO RESPONSE	
AQUINO, HENRY J.C.	Democratnone

DISTRICT 39	Royal Kunia, Village Park, Waipahū, Makakilo, West Loch
MAGLINTI, AUSTIN L.S.	Republicanvoteaustinmaglinti.comQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: NO
NO RESPONSE	
CULLEN, TY J.K.	Democratnone
DISTRICT 40	'Ewa, 'Ewa Beach, 'Ewa By Gentry, Iroquois Point
NO RESPONSE	
MARTINEZ, ROSE	Democratnone
MCDERMOTT, BOB	Republicanwww.votemcdermott.com
DISTRICT 41	'Ewa, 'Ewa Beach, 'Ewa Gentry, 'Ewa Villages, Hoakalei, Ocean Pointe
MALDONADO, MOKIHANA	DemocratVoteMokihana.comQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
NO RESPONSE	
ALCOS, DAVID (BRADDA)	Republicannone
LOPRESTI, MATTHEW S. (MATT)	Democratwww.matt4ewa.com
RATHBUN, AMANDA J.	Democratwww.facebook.com/amanda.rathbun.182
UEHARA, RYAN ISAMU	Nonpartisanwww.sites.google.com/site/ryanforhawaiistatelegislature
DISTRICT 42	Kapolei, Makakilo
HAR, SHARON	Democratwww.sharonhar.comQ1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
KAM, VICKIE L.P.	Democratwww.vickiekam.comQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
DISTRICT 43	'Ewa Villages, Kalaeloa, Honokai Hale, Nānākai Gardens, Kō 'Ōlina, Kahe Point, Nānākuli, Lualualei, Mā'ili
GARCIA, DIAMOND	Republicanwww.diamondgarcia.comQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: NO Q5: NO
KAHIKINA, MICHAEL P.	DemocratnoneQ1: NO Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
NO RESPONSE	
ELI, STACELYNN KEHAULANI	Democratwww.facebook.com/Rep.StacelynnEli
HOOHULI, SHAENA DELA CRUZ	Aloha 'Āinanone
DISTRICT 44	Wai'anae, Mākaha, Mākua, Mā'ili
ALDEGUER, MAYSANA AKAHAI	RepublicannoneQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
GATES, CEDRIC ASUEGA	Democratwww.cedricgates.comQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
JORDAN, JO	Democratwww.facebook.com/friendsofjojordan/Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
SIMPLICIANO, JOSEPH K., JR.	Aloha 'Āinawww.votejoseph2020.comQ1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
DISTRICT 45	Schofield, Mokulē'ia, Waialua, Kunia, Waip'i'o Acres, Mililani
CHAPMAN, MICHAEL	Democratwww.chapmanforhawaii.comQ1: YES Q2: NO Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES
NO RESPONSE	
CHEAPE MATSUMOTO, LAUREN	Republicanwww.laurenforhawaii.com

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DISTRICT 46 | Wahiawā, Whitmore Village, Launani Valley

PERRUSO, AMY ANASTASIA  www.voteamyperruso.com
Democrat Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES


NO RESPONSE

AGSALDA, AARON JAMES KALEO | Democrat  www.aaronagsalda.com/coming-soon

DISTRICT 47 | Waialua, Hale‘iwa, Pūpūkea, Kahuku, Lā‘ie, Hau‘ula, Waiāhole, Waikāne, Sunset Beach, Punalu‘u, Ka‘a‘awa

NO RESPONSE

QUINLAN, SEAN | Democrat  www.facebook.com/RepSeanQuinlan

READY, BOYD | Republican  none

DISTRICT 48 | Kāne‘ohe, Kahalu‘u, Waiāhole

PRATT-AQUINO, KAU‘I  www.kauiprattaquino.com
Democrat Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES


NO RESPONSE

KITAGAWA, LISA C. | Democrat  www.lisakitagawa.com


DISTRICT 49 | Kāne‘ohe, Maunawili, Olomana


NO RESPONSE

DANNER, KILOMANA | Republican  kilomana.com

MATAYOSHI, SCOT | Democrat  www.scotmatayoshi.com

DISTRICT 50 | Kailua, Kāne‘ohe Bay

BRANCO, PATRICK PIHANA  www.patrickpihanabranco.com
Democrat Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES


PREGITZER, MICAH KALAMA  www.micahpregitzer.com
Democrat Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES


SOUZA, KANANI  www.kananisouza.com
Republican Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES


NO RESPONSE


NAKANELUA, LAURA | Republican  www.votenakanelua.com


DISTRICT 51 | Kailua, Waimānalo


AKAO, ALAN  www.alanakao.com
Democrat Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES


CHOCK, COBY K.K.  www.cobychock.com
Democrat Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

CHONG, DONI LEINA‘ALA  www.donichong.com
Republican Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

GRIMMER, SCOTT  www.scottgrimmer.com
Democrat Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

HO, ERIK K.  www.erikhohawaii.com
Aloha ‘Āina Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

KAMA-TOTH, KUKANA K.K.  www.votekukana.com
Republican Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

MARTEN, LISA  www.lisamarten.com
Democrat Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

ANSWER KEY: YES NO

Q1 | Environmental crimes are often difficult to prosecute for many reasons, including the variety and unfamiliarity of our environmental laws, the unique types of evidence needed to convict, and a relative disconnect between state investigators and resource enforcement officers and the various county prosecutors’ offices. Would you commit to ensuring greater collaboration between the prosecutor’s office and state agencies and enforcement officers in the investigation and prosecution of environmental crimes?


Q2 | Native Hawaiians are disproportionately represented in every stage of the criminal justice process, including in arrest rates, prosecution and conviction rates, and lengths of sentences imposed. Other ethnic groups may be similarly impacted. Would you support a review of the law enforcement process to identify potential causes of racial and ethnic disparities in our criminal justice system?


Q3 | Do you support expanding “diversion” programs that provide alternatives to incarceration or criminal records for nonviolent offenders suffering from addiction or mental health issues?

Q4 | Cash bail has been criticized as allowing wealthy defendants to “buy” their release from jail or prison, while depriving poor defendants of their freedom due to their inability to pay. Would you support the consideration of a defendants’ ability to pay as a factor in determining whether reduced bail or alternatives to cash bail should be pursued

Q5 | Would you support eliminating mandatory minimum sentencing for drug and related crimes that force judges to impose minimum prison terms regardless of the circumstances?

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY | HAWAI‘I ISLAND

AUNA, JARED KAMAKAKULANI  none
Nonpartisan Special Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

WALTJEN, KELDEN BRAUN AKONI  www.keldenforprosecutor.org
Nonpartisan Special Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO


NO RESPONSE


BRIDGES, CHRISTOPHER R. | Nonpartisan Special  none

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY | KAUAI

KOLLAR, JUSTIN F.  justinkollar.org
Nonpartisan Special Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES


PROSECUTING ATTORNEY | HONOLULU


ALM, STEVE  www.stevealmforprosecutor.com
Nonpartisan Special Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES


BROWN, ROBERT (RJ)  www.voterjbrown.com
Nonpartisan Special Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

ESSER, JACQUE  www.esserforjustice.com
Nonpartisan Special Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

KAU, MEGAN  www.friendsofmegankau.com
Nonpartisan Special Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

KIM, TAE  www.votetkim.com
Nonpartisan Special Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

NADAMOTO, DWIGHT K.  www.nadamotoforprosecutor.com
Nonpartisan Special Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: NO

YAQOOB, ANOSH H.  www.facebook.com/anoshyaqoob.prosecutor
Nonpartisan Special Q1: YES Q2: YES Q3: YES Q4: YES Q5: YES

Resilience in Native Hawaiians May Lead to Better Health

Native Hawaiians who have higher levels of resilience may also have better health, according to new public health research from the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa.

Researchers led by Mapuana C.K. Antonio, an assistant professor in Native Hawaiian and Indigenous health at the University’s Office of Public Health Studies have developed a new scale to measure resilience in Native Hawaiians. The study involved 124 Native Hawaiian participants. The researchers compared the participants’ resilience scores with their self-reported health.

“Resilience is complicated to measure,” Antonio said. For the study the team expanded on traditional measures of resilience, mostly internal, which look at a person’s ability to overcome adversity and persevere in times of difficulty.

They developed a new measure that takes into account the Indigenous perspective of resilience, which places high value on relationships. “For Native Hawaiians, health and resilience involves cultural identity and a sense of harmony between the physical, spiritual, social and emotional self, to include the outside world,” said Antonio.

Participants who scored higher on the new resilience scale also reported higher levels of general health, mental health and physical functioning.

Native Hawaiians face adversity stemming from colonization and historical trauma, including discrimination, health disparities and lower socioeconomic status. The new scale can be used in future research on Native Hawaiian health that uses a strength-based approach, meaning research that focuses on the positive aspects of the community, rather than targeting deficits.

The findings are published online in the journal *Behavioral Medicine*.

Businesses Team Up to Cover Expenses For Families Impacted by COVID-19

In early June, local businesses MANAOLA, Honua Consulting and American Savings Bank (ASB) teamed up to donate relief funds to Hawai‘i families impacted by COVID-19. The funding will pay for household goods, groceries and prescription medicines. The donated funds were administered by the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement (CNHA) and distributed through their Kahiau and Ho‘āla Programs.

“We have been blessed all these years to have the unwavering support of our community,” said Manaola Yap. “This was our opportunity to return that support and we are overjoyed to do so.”

Honua Consulting owner Trisha Kehaulani Watson jumped at the opportunity to join MANAOLA in their effort. “I have been deeply worried about our many local ‘ohana with family members who need regular prescription medicine. Families should never have to choose between buying food or buying the medicine they need to survive.”

Upon hearing of the effort, ABS joined in matching the donations from the other companies. “We are honored to be a part of this effort and hope that it will help those facing financial hardship in our community,” said Beth Whitehead, ASB Executive Vice President.

Noted CNHA CEO Kūhiō Lewis, “This funding will go a long way to help our families. This support will fill critical needs and gaps in existing support.”

New Hawaiian Studies Chair Honors Naone Hall



Endowed Chair in Hawaiian Studies, Literature and the Environment

The Laurence H. Dorcy Hawaiian Foundation has donated \$3.2 million to establish the Dana Naone Hall

at the Hawai‘i inuiākea School of Hawaiian Knowledge at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa. The new endowed chair is named in honor of Naone Hall, a revered Native Hawaiian poet and environmental activist.

Hawai‘i inuiākea Dean, Jonathan Osorio, said, “Through this endowment we will teach new generations of Hawaiians about their ancestors who honed social, environmental and cultural management skills over a thousand years. Powerful, fearless community leaders like Dana Naone Hall have been key to the perpetuation of Hawaiian knowledge over the last 50 years as they worked tirelessly to protect our oceans, streams and forests from urbanization and tourist-driven development.”

Naone Hall is a graduate of Kamehameha Schools and UH Mānoa. She was the editor of *The Hawai‘i Review* and has published poetry in national and international literary journals. In 2017 she authored *Life of the Land: Articulations of a Native Writer*, which won an American Book Award from the Before Columbus Foundation.

“This chair will contribute continuous research in Indigenous land and resource management in Hawai‘i, building a platform for policy change in keeping with its namesake,” adds Osorio. “Naone Hall shaped history by leading changes in practices and laws through her protection of a Maui Native Hawaiian burial site. She brought environmental and cultural values into political activism, culminating in the protection of sacred places.”

Hawai‘i Residents Recognize COVID-19 as a Serious Concern

A statewide survey commissioned by the Department of Health reveals that 93% of Hawai‘i residents consider COVID-19 to be a “very serious” or “somewhat serious” health concern, and 75% view it as a real danger to themselves or others living in their household. However, only 44% of respondents say they are practicing social dis-

tancing guidelines “all of the time.”

There were notable differences in perceptions between the neighbor islands and O‘ahu, with 81% of neighbor islanders saying they consider COVID-19 to be a “very serious” concern, versus 69% of O‘ahu residents.

“The findings provide valuable insights into the effectiveness of our efforts to educate our community about the disease. This is especially important as we begin to reopen parks, businesses and other places where people congregate,” said Bruce Anderson, Director of Health. “For our state to fully reopen and start the road to economic recovery, all of our residents must recognize the seriousness of the pandemic and be willing to make necessary lifestyle changes to prevent a second wave of increased cases.”

The survey results validate that the DOH is reaching a majority of Hawai‘i residents with its messages related to COVID-19 mitigation practices.

Land Board Says No to Aquarium Pet Trade

In a milestone decision, the State of Hawai‘i Board of Land and Natural Resources has unanimously rejected an environmental impact statement aimed at reopening the aquarium pet trade in West Hawai‘i Island. The Board’s decision effectively leaves intact a moratorium on commercial aquarium collection along the Kona Coast, vindicating reef advocates.

“This is a huge win for my family and our way of life,” said Miloli‘i fisherman Willie Kaupiko, who has been fighting for over 30 years to protect West Hawai‘i reefs from the damaging effects of the aquarium trade. “I see hope for the next generation, and I know that they will continue to carry on what I have fought to protect all these years.”

For decades, commercial aquarium collectors routinely extracted hundreds of thousands of endemic and indigenous Hawaiian reef fish annually, exporting them via air freight to aquarium hobbyists across the country. Although the Board’s decision extends the

moratorium on aquarium collection in West Hawai‘i, the state has continued to allow the industry to extract an unlimited number of fish annually in East Hawai‘i and elsewhere throughout the state. This ongoing illegal collection prompted Earthjustice to file a parallel lawsuit which was heard before the state Environmental Court on June 24th.

SNAP Benefits Threatened During Pandemic

Hawai‘i Attorney General Clare E. Connors joined a coalition of 24 Attorneys General and the City of New York urging Congress to block the Trump administration’s attempt to cut food assistance for millions. The coalition urges the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) to suspend finalizing a proposed rule that would cut SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits to 700,000 Americans by restricting States from extending benefits beyond the three-month limit, removing 3.1 million Americans from SNAP by making it harder to qualify for benefits, and reducing benefit amounts for certain households.

The coalition argues that, especially during this unprecedented time of economic turmoil due to the coronavirus pandemic, Congress should work to protect and expand our nation’s largest anti-hunger program. “We should be collectively working towards making sure everyone has access to nutritious food,” said Attorney General Connors. “It is imperative, even more so during a pandemic, that we oppose rules cutting food-assistance to millions of Americans.”

The Trump Administration’s proposed rule would limit needy families’ access to SNAP, a crucial lifeline that could prevent families from going hungry at a time when more than 258,000 Hawai‘i residents have filed, and continue to file, for unemployment.

Previously known as “food stamps,” SNAP is America’s most important anti-hunger program and critical to helping lift people out of poverty. ■

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KOHO PONO means to Elect or Choose Wisely by making an informed decision when voting for an elected official to represent your voice. It's important that Hawaiian voters know how our elected officials voted on key issues impacting our community, which is reflected in this report card. This report card focuses on bills that impact Kanaka Maoli people and lands and how legislators voted.

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THE BILLS

Given the change in the Legislature's schedule due to COVID-19, this report card is based on Legislator's voting records during the first Crossover.

LAND TRANSFER – Oppose HB2035 HD1

Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) to transfer to the Department of Agriculture lands that are primarily Kanaka Maoli lands or “ceded lands” (former Hawaiian Kingdom Crown and government) to which Kanaka Maoli never relinquished their rights.

PUBLIC LAND LEASE EXTENSION – Oppose HB2191 HD1

Authorizes the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR) to extend certain leases of “ceded lands” aka Kanaka Maoli lands for commercial, industrial, resort, or government use. OHA testified that authorizing these extensions substantially inhibit the best and most appropriate uses of these lands.

'IOLANI PALACE – Support HB2209 HD1

Appropriates funds for repair, restoration, and maintenance of `Iolani Palace and requires the DLNR to conduct a structural and electrical survey of `Iolani Palace and submit to the Legislature a five- to ten- year working plan for `Iolani Palace to proceed with repair, restoration, and maintenance work on the property.

PUBLIC LANDS – Oppose HB2297 HD1

Exempts “ceded lands”, aka Kanaka Maoli lands set aside by the Governor to the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HHFDC) from the classification of “public lands” lessening public oversight and input in the future use of these lands.

ALOHA HOMES – Oppose SB2946 SD2

Establishes the ALOHA homes program to develop housing along the rail allowing them to condemn property as needed and give out 99 year leases for “state lands” aka Hawaiian Kingdom crown and government lands and exempt lands leased or transferred to the control of HHFDC from the definition of “public lands.”

PUBLIC LANDS – Oppose SB2036 SD2

Clarifies that “ceded lands” aka Kanaka Maoli lands set aside to the HHFDC by the Governor or leased to the HHFDC by other State Departments and agencies are excluded from the definition of “public lands”, lessening public oversight and input in the future use of these lands.

PUBLIC LANDS – Oppose SB2648 SD2

Clarifies that “ceded lands” aka Kanaka Maoli lands set aside to the HHFDC by the Governor or leased to the HHFDC by other State Departments and agencies are excluded from the definition of “public lands”, lessening public oversight and input in the future use of these lands.

KULEANA LAND – Support SB749

Helps Kanaka Maoli families on their lands by alleviating the economic stress of defending themselves against Quiet title actions. Kuleana lands were granted to Kanaka Maoli tenant farmers between 1850 and 1855 and include gathering, access, and agricultural rights as well as the right to build a dwelling. Only 8,205 Kanaka Maoli received Kuleana lands that account for less than 1% of Hawaiian Kingdom lands. Many of these awards were adversely possessed by corporations but a precious few are still in the same families today keeping their ancestral tie to their lands.

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HOUSE		OPPOSE H.B. 2035 HD1 LAND TRANSFER	OPPOSE H.B. 2191 HD1 PUBLIC LAND LEASE EXTENSION	SUPPORT H.B. 2209 HD1 'IOLANI PALACE	OPPOSE H.B. 2297 HD1 PUBLIC LANDS	REPORT CARD MARKS
HENRY AQUINO	Waipahu	F*	F	A	F	A = Voted pro-Hawaiian. C = Voted against the interests of Hawaiians with reservations. F = Voted against the interest of Hawaiians. N/A = Not available for vote. * = Introduced Measure
DELLA AU BELATTI	Papakōlea, McCully	F	F	A	F	
TOM BROWER	Waikiki, Ala Moana	F	F	A	F	
RIDA CABANILLA ARAKAWA	Ewa Beach, Ocean Pointe	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
ROMY CACHOLA	Kalihi, Sand Island	F	F	A	F	
RICHARD CREAGAN	Na`alehu, Kailua-Kona	F	F	A	F	
TY CULLEN	Royal Kunia, Village Park	F*	F	A	F	
LYNN DECOITE	Moloka`i, Lāna`i, Hāna	N/A	N/A	N/A	F	
STACELYNN ELI	Nānākuli, Mā`ili	A	A	A	A	
CEDRIC GATES	Wai`anae, Mākaha	F	F	A	F	
SHARON HAR	Kapolei, Makakilo	F	F	A	F	HAWAIIAN 'ĀINA The “public land trust” is comprised of the Government and Crown Lands of the Hawaiian Kingdom. The State’s public trust responsibilities are to use these lands for the “betterment of the conditions of native Hawaiians” and the general public. This trust needs to be kept intact until such time as Kanaka Maoli claims to these lands are addressed.
MARK HASHEM	`Āina Haina, Kuli`ou`ou	F	F	A	F	
TROY HASHIMOTO	Wailuku, Waikapū	F	F	A	F	
DANIEL HOLT	Chinatown, Pālama	N/A*	N/A	N/A	F	
LINDA ICHIYAMA	Salt Lake, Āliamanu	F	F	A	F	
AARON LING JOHANSON	Moanalua, `Āiea	F	F	A	F	
LISA KITAGAWA	Kahalu`u, Waiāhole	A	A	A	F	
BERTRAND KOBAYASHI	Kāhala, Kā`imuki	F	F	A	F	
DALE KOBAYASHI	Mānoa, University	F	F	A	F	
SAM KONG	`Āiea	F	F	A	F	
CHRIS LEE	Kailua, Waimānalo	F	F	A	F	
NICOLE LOWEN	Hōlualoa, Honokōhau	A	F	A	F	
SYLVIA LUKE	Makiki, Nu`uanu, Pauoa	F	F	A	F	
SCOT MATAYOSHI	Kāne`ohe, Maunawili	F	F	A	F	
LAUREN MATSUMOTO	Waialua, Kunia	F	A	A	C	
BOB MCDERMOTT	Ewa Gentry	F	F	A	F	
ANGUS MCKELVEY	West Maui	A	A	A	F	
JOHN MIZUNO	Kalihi Valley	F	F	A	F	
DEE MORIKAWA	Kōloa, Waimea, Ni`ihau	F*	F	A	F	
NADINE NAKAMURA	Anahola, Hanalei, Kapa`a	F*	F	A	F	
MARK NAKASHIMA	Hilo, Hāmākua	F*	F	A	F	
SCOTT NISHIMOTO	Kapahulu, Mō`ili`ili	F	F	A	F	
TAKASHI OHNO	Liliha, `Ālewa Heights	F	F	A	F	
VAL OKIMOTO	Mililani	C	F	A	A	
RICHARD ONISHI	Hilo, Kea`au, Volcano	F*	F	A	F	
AMY PERRUSO	Wahiawā	F	F	A	C	
SEAN QUINLAN	Hale`iwa, Kahuku, Lā`ie	F*	F	A	F	
SCOTT SAIKI	Downtown, Kaka`ako	F	F	A	F	
JOY SAN BUENAVENTURA	Puna	F	F	A	F	
CALVIN SAY	Palolo, Kaimuki	F	F	A	F	
GREGG TAKAYAMA	Pearl City, Waimalu	F	F	A	F	
ROY TAKUMI	Pearl City, Waipi`o	F	F	A	F	
DAVID TARNAS	North Kona, Kohala	F	F	A	F	
CYNTHIA THIELEN	Kailua, Kāne`ohe Bay	N/A	N/A	N/A	A	
CHRIS TODD	Keaukaha, Pana`ewa	F*	F*	A	F	
JAMES KUNANE TOKIOKA	Lihue, Hanamā`ulu	F*	F	A	F	
GENE WARD	Hawaii Kai	F	F	A	F	
TINA WILDBERGER	Kihei	F	A	A	F	
JUSTIN WOODSON	Kahului, Pu`unēnē	F	F	A	F	
RYAN YAMANE	Mililani, Waipi`o Gentry	F*	F	A*	F	
KYLE YAMASHITA	Kahului, Keōkea, Kula	C	F	A	F	

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OPPOSE S.B. 2946 SD2

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OPPOSE S.B. 2036 SD2

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OPPOSE S.B. 2648 SD2

PUBLIC LANDS

SUPPORT S.B. 749

KULEANA LANDS

ROSALYN BAKER	South and West Maui	F*	F	F	A
STANLEY CHANG	Hawai'i Kai, 'Āina Haina	F*	F*	F*	A*
DONAVAN DELA CRUZ	Mililani Mauka, Wahiawā	F	F	F	A
J. KALANI ENGLISH	Hāna, Moloka'i, Lāna'i	F	F	F	A
KURT FEVELLA	Ewa Beach	F*	F	F	A
MIKE GABBARD	Kapolei, Makakilo	F	F	F	A
BREENE HARIMOTO	Pearl City, 'Aiea, Hālawā	C	F	F	A
LES IHARA, JR.	Kaimukī, Pāloa, Mō'ili'ili	C	F	F	A
LORRAINE INOUE	Hāmākua, Waimea	F*	F	F	A
KAIALII KAHELE	Hilo	F*	F	F	A
DRU KANUHA	Kona, Ka'ū	F*	F	F	A
GILBERT KEITH-AGARAN	Wailuku, Kahului	F*	F	F	A
JARRETT KEOHOKALO	Kāne'ohe, He'eia	F*	F	F	A
MICHELLE KIDANI	Mililani, Waikele	F	F	F	A
DONNA MERCADO KIM	Kalihi Valley, Moanalua	F*	F	F	A
RONALD KOUCHI	Kaua'i, Ni'ihau	F	F	F	A
SHARON MORIWAKI	Kaka'ako, McCully, Waikiki	F*	F	F	A
CLARENCE NISHIHARA	Waipahu, Pearl City	F*	F*	F	A
KARL RHOADS	Liliha, Kalihi, Nu'uuanu	F*	F	F	A
GIL RIVIERE	Ka'a'awa, Kahuku, Lā'ie	C	F	F	A
RUSSELL RUDERMAN	Puna, Ka'ū	F*	F	F	A
MAILE SHIMABUKURO	Nānākuli, Wai'anae	F*	F	F	A*
BRIAN TANIGUCHI	Mānoa, Makiki, Papakōlea	F*	F	F	A
LAURA THIELEN	Kailua, Waimānalo	F	F	F	A
GLENN WAKAI	Kalihi, Salt Lake	F*	F	F	A

2020 SENATE/HOUSE CANDIDATE Q&A

Q1 Do you support the transfer/sale of any portion of the 1.8 million acres of “ceded lands” aka stolen **Hawaiian lands** out of the Department of Land and Natural Resources?




Q2 Do you support providing legal protections and property tax exemptions for kuleana land owners?

Q3 A lot has changed over the last year we know that some of you may have once supported the building of the Thirty Meter Telescope (TMT) on **Mauna Kea**. The State spent \$15 million dollars for law enforcement personnel security for TMT. Do you support the continued funding for “security” for TMT?

Q4 Do you believe that there are ways to jump start the local economy post COVID-19 in a sustainable way outside of tourism?

SENATE 🙄 = Auwē, no response

Dist. 22: Mililani Mauka, Wahiawā

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
 DONAVAN DELA CRUZ*	🙄	🙄	🙄	🙄
 BANNER FANENE	NO	YES	NO	YES
 JOHN MILLER	NO	YES	YES	YES

For full answer responses and complete list of Senate and House races, go to www.kalahuihawaii.net

2020 HONOLULU MAYOR CANDIDATE Q&A






Q1 Do you support strengthening laws, rules and protocols for permitting large projects such as the **Kahuku** Windmills that would include a long, transparent and vigorous process to get the consensus of the communities they will directly affect before the project is approved?

Q2 Are there adequate legal protections and safeguards in place that are consistently applied to ensure the protection of “previously identified” and “inadvertently discovered” burials of **iwi kūpuna** when permitting both private and public construction projects on O'ahu?

Q3 The City and County of Honolulu has until 2028 to open a new landfill and cease operations at the Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary. Given the environmental justice issues that proliferate Oahu's Leeward Coast, including HPOWER's fine for exceeding the allotted amount of dissolved solids in the recirculation water it uses in its cooling towers as well as the only construction and demolition landfill, will you work to find a new landfill site outside of the Leeward Coast?

Q4 Do you believe that there are ways to jump start the local economy post COVID-19 in a sustainable way outside of tourism?

Q5 Do you support the collection of data relating to police arrests and prosecution of cases within the Office of the Prosecutor to assess and address racial and ethnic disparities?

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5
 KEITH AMEMIYA	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES
 RICK BLANGIARDI	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
 COLLEEN HANABUSA	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES
 CHOON JAMES	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES
 KYM MARCOS PINE	YES	NO	NONE	YES	YES

For full response answers, go to:
www.kalahuihawaii.net

HOUSE 🙄 = Auwē, no response

Dist. 13: Molokai, Lāna'i, Hāna

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
 LYNN DECOITE*	YES	YES	YES	YES
 WALTER RITTE	NO	YES	NO	YES

Dist. 26: Downtown, Kaka'ako

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
 KIM COCO IWAMOTO	NO	YES	NO	YES
 SCOTT SAIKI*	🙄	🙄	🙄	🙄

Dist. 44: Wai'anae, Makaha

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
 CEDRIC GATES*	🙄	🙄	🙄	🙄
 JO JORDAN	NO	YES	NO	YES

Dist. 48: Kāne'ohe, Kahalu'u

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
 LISA KITAGAWA*	🙄	🙄	🙄	🙄
 KAU'I PRATT-AQUINO	NO	YES	NO	YES

MAIL IN and Service Center Voting. Same day voter registration allowed.

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Primary Election: 8/8/20

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COMMUNITY MEETING

Join us via Zoom

Mehana Solar is a new clean energy project planned for West O'ahu adjacent to the Kalaeloa airport. Energy from its 21,800 solar panels will power the equivalent of 1,300 homes on O'ahu and, when operational in 2021, will provide 26.4MWh of energy storage annually.

You are invited to a virtual community meeting where Mehana Solar's developer – Onyx Development Group LLC* – will share information about the project, answer your questions and welcome your feedback.

Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2020

Time: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

RSVP: bit.ly/rsvpcommunitymeeting

RSVP is optional. The meeting link will be emailed to those who sign up and available at mehanasolar.com.

Visit mehanasolar.com for more information

*Mehana Solar is developed by Onyx Development Group LLC, with 250 years of collective industry experience and more than 1GW of renewable energy projects across the United States. Twelve states currently have Onyx solar power systems supporting communities, government municipalities, NGOs, nonprofits, school districts, local utilities, co-ops, and private and public businesses. Eighteen additional states are developing projects with Onyx. Mehana Solar is developed with the support of Arion Energy, LLC, operating solar projects on O'ahu, Maui and Kaua'i.



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Available Resources

The vast majority of us here in Hawai'i have been sheltering in place for the last four months. Some of you have been fortunate enough to have navigated our antiquated state unemployment system and receive assistance in these trying times. Some of you have also been able to access support from the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement's Kahiau emergency funding that is provided by your Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

However, many still need help and have yet to receive any assistance from the state government.

The state constitution says that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs is to be funded by a pro-rata share of the revenues generated on ceded lands as provided by law. In 1980 the state legislature passed a law that stipulated that pro-rata amount was 20%. Subsequently, the state legislature decided that only \$15.1 million of that 20% would be paid to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. The remainder has been deposited into an overflow account with the Department of Accounting and General Services and is sitting in limbo, something that Senator Kai Kahele pointed out during the 2019 session.

Since April, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs has been working to try and have these funds released for the explicit purpose of COVID-19 direct relief to Native Hawaiians. At the time, because the legislature was in recess, a request was made to Governor David Ige to release the funds through an emergency proclamation. There was no response. Since the legislature has begun limited meetings to address the COVID-19 pandemic, there has been no word from either Senator Donovan Dela



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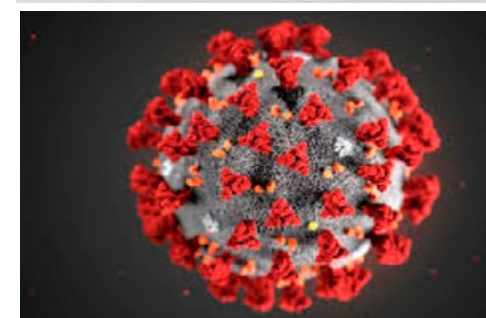
Cruz or Representative Sylvia Luke about releasing these funds to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs for COVID-19 relief.

While addressing the immediate threats of COVID-19 and dealing with how to restart the economy while protecting the health and wellbeing of the public is of the utmost importance for state legislators, there is low-lying fruit out there. The funds are there, cannot be used by any other agency or branch of government, and cannot be

redistributed to the entities that paid the revenues to the state. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs has put in writing that it will only use the funds for either emergency COVID-19 relief or long-term low-to-no-interest (possibly forgivable) loans for longer-term support for COVID-19 relief. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs has

even gone so far as to give assurances that the funds would be distributed by an outside nonprofit, Hawai'i Community Foundation, who is already providing these types of services through the Hawai'i Resiliency Fund. While the state legislature is looking for funds to make up for the loss in tax revenue due to the economic shut down of the state, these are funds that cannot legally be used for that purpose as they are specifically designated for the betterment of Native Hawaiians.

As we all look to the future and try to return to some semblance of normality, join me and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs as we continue to try and get our legislators to help us help you. Please continue to stay safe, stay healthy and together we can rebound for a better Hawai'i for us all. ■



"To Thine Own Self Be True..."

Kc Aloha Nō! Aloha Pumehana.

Each of us, whether we realize it or not, has a self-image. We see ourselves in some way—smart, slow, kindly, well-intentioned, lazy, misunderstood, meticulous or shrewd; we all can pick adjectives that describe ourselves. This is the "I" behind the face in the mirror, the "I" that thinks, dreams, talks, feels and believes, the "I" that no one knows fully. In this month's column, I will explore the meaning of the self-image, particularly in relation to changing behavior in this "new normal" which COVID-19 has placed us in... and how changes in self-concept come about. Who would have thought a pandemic of this nature would change us forever, or at least get us thinking about how we change things for the better.

The self-concept is important because everything we do or say, everything we hear, feel, or otherwise perceive, is influenced by how we see ourselves. One reason this self-concept is crucial is that it has a great deal to do with manager development — with being a growing person and eventually realizing one's self-potential. Note the term "manager development" rather than management development; the purpose of such development is to help individual managers to grow. After all, they have to do most of the job themselves. No one can tell managers exactly how to grow. Rather, the most one can do is to help managers understand themselves in their own situations, and then trust them to find the best directions themselves.

Coming to a knowledge of oneself is no simple task and often goes underdeveloped because we often tend to resist it. Many



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people have a hard time looking at themselves in the mirror and dealing with the ravages of time. Fortunately, we can be grateful to the mirror for showing us only our external appearance. Only through self-knowledge, openness to criticism, and being receptive to facts and perspectives that challenge our own, can we arm ourselves against denial. That, of course, is easier said than done and requires a special quality that does not come naturally to us either: humility. "Taking

on a disposition of humility and learning keeps us open to changing ourselves and consequently keeps us from claiming to be perfect." -- Bill Welter and Jean Egmon, *The Prepared Mind of a Leader* (2006)

Rather than see ourselves as we truly are, we see ourselves as we would like to be. Sometimes self-deception can be more comforting than self-knowledge. We like to fool ourselves because confronting our failings can be too painful. The inability to see ourselves clearly can be described by the term "behavioral economics." This is the intersection of psychology and economics, a field that challenges the strict rationality of most modern economic models — Adam Smith, *The Wealth of Nations*. The physicist, Richard Feynman, said, "The first principle is that you must not fool yourself — you are the easiest person to fool."

Polonius' famous quote:
"This above all: to thine own self be true,
And it must follow, as the night the day,
Thou canst not then be false to any man."

'O wau iho nō me ke aloha,
Trustee Leina'ala Ahu Isa ■

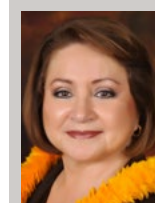
The Economy v. Health and Human Rights in COVID-19: A Misleading Choice

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a global pandemic. In a rapidly evolving situation, states are trying—with different levels of commitment and effectiveness—to curb the progress of the disease. While the virus is a threat to the rights to life and health, the human rights impact of the crisis goes well beyond medical and public health concerns. The health crisis itself, and a number of state measures to contain it, mainly isolation and quarantine, are leading the world into an economic recession. The consequences of the decisions taken by governments to address health and economic issues reciprocally affect one another.

When health is at stake, there is a need to ensure that normal operations do not erode health policies to control the spread of the disease and the associated risk of a collapse of public health systems. The lack of effective response from some governments to protect people's health through proven measures, such as social distancing and quarantines to flatten the curve, in favor of avoiding an economic slowdown due to the pandemic, is concerning. The economy cannot stand in first position, especially since it allows for most people to have no personal safety net. Life and human rights must be at the center of concern.

The "economy first" approach should not mean leaving people on their own to cope with the pandemic. This economy-centric approach is accompanied by a lack of enthusiasm to reduce inequalities. Such a view of the economy cannot operate as a winner, especially as the broad economy must allow most people to have their economic and social rights realized.

Implementing robust public health policies that save lives and prevent health systems from collapsing should be com-



Carmen "Hulu"
Lindsey

Trustee, Maui

plemented by policies to make it possible for economic systems to produce and deliver goods and services to fulfil basic human rights while minimizing the long-term negative economic effects of the pandemic. Not putting public health at the center of governmental action plans does not save the economy.

I fear the recession will leave some with no choice but to rely on debt to meet their basic needs and rights. Without immediate relief, it is likely people forced into debt will face increasing debts. While household debt is not a human rights violation, it becomes particularly problematic when individuals resort to formal and informal lending networks to access their rights to healthcare, housing, food, water and sanitation, or education. What might be a lifebuoy today, becomes an ever-increasing economic burden.

Economy versus human rights is misleading because they can be aligned. States must protect lives and economies so goods and services can continue throughout the pandemic and, when it has passed, there are jobs for people. This must be done responsibly with public health and human rights impacts as the primary consideration. There are a number of measures that can contribute towards achieving those goals. These include: expanding social safety nets and considering universal basic incomes; suspending mortgage repayments and evictions; halting cuts in public or private provision of services such as electricity and water; stipulations with respect to medicines and other related technologies; suspending private debt-servicing for individuals unable to cope with the public health crisis and who are without income; and establishing universal health coverage. It is gratifying to see our government consider and implement many of these rights-based responses to the pandemic, thus protecting our people and economy. ■

HO'OLAHA LEHULEHU
PUBLIC NOTICECULTURAL IMPACT
ASSESSMENT - HONUA'ULA
AHUPUA'A, ISLAND OF HAWAI'I

ASM Affiliates is preparing a Cultural Impact Assessment (CIA) for a proposed County of Hawai'i Department of Water Supply exploratory mid-level well on a portion of TMK: (3) 7-5-003:001, Honua'ula Ahupua'a, North Kona District, Island of Hawai'i. The CIA report will serve as a companion document to the Environmental Assessment being prepared in compliance with Hawai'i Revised Statutes Chapter 343. We are seeking consultation with community members that might have knowledge of traditional cultural uses of the proposed project area; or who are involved in any ongoing cultural practices that may be occurring on or in the general vicinity of the subject property, that may be impacted by the proposed project. If you have and can share any such information please contact Lokelani Brandt (lbrandt@asmaffiliates.com); phone (808) 969-6066, mailing address ASM Affiliates 507-A E. Lanikaula Street, Hilo, HI 96720.

E nā 'ohana Hawai'i: If you are planning a reunion or looking for genealogical information, Ka Wai Ola will print your listing at no charge on a space-available basis. Listings should not exceed 200 words. OHA reserves the right to edit all submissions for length. Send your information by mail, or e-mail kwo@OHA.org. **E ola nā mamo a Hāloa!**

2020

DOLE – The descendants of William Patrick Dole and Emily Keli'iahonui Kekoa Dole are planning a family reunion on Saturday August 8, 2020 at the Waimānalo Beach Park, O'ahu, Hawai'i. William Dole and Emily K. Dole had 10 children, most of whom have produced descendants who are the next generation of cousins. Their children are named, Emily Ka'auwai, Henry Dole, Billy Dole, Simeon Dole, Henrietta Carter, Muriel Duvachelle, Benjamin Dole, Richard Dole Kaai, Eleanor Ka-Ne, and Loretta Kwock. The organizers encourage all family descendants to attend and be a part of this family reunion and celebration. The morning will begin with a prayer of blessings as we celebrate the 126th birthday of our tutu Emily K. Dole. There will be talk story sessions, a Pa'ina Hawaiian Luncheon, family entertainment, games, and in the afternoon family genealogy workshops. Camping will be allowed by permit. Don't miss out on this opportunity to get to meet cousins that you have not met. For more information, please contact: Camie Apau 808-852-9880, Holly Kwock Kaleohano 808-348-0077, Pee wee Ka-Ne 808-990-5242.

KAHELE 'OHANA MILOLI' – Kahele 'Ohana Miloli'i gathering for July 2020 is cancelled and will be rescheduled at a future date. We are still looking for descendants of John Halena Kahele and Maria Malaea Nunuha and their children Ellen Kalawae'a, John Halena, Hannah Koanohano, William Kalilipio Kcomaka, Peter Kahuaka'e, Henry Nahinu and Abel Pepe Kaliliaku. For more information, please contact Renee Olivera at (808) 640-5959, Gloria Wagner at (808) 436-5074 or Sharon "Malama" Faalele at (808) 485-2861.

KUAKAHELA/KALIMAONAONA –

Descendants of Kuakahela and Keaka Kalimaonaona. Children: Naiheauhau, Kaaihue, Kealohapauole, Kamau, Kaunahi, Kimona, Wahinelawaia and Keau. The reunion is set for July 25 and 26, 2020 at Makaeo Events Pavilion, Old Airport Beach Park, Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i. Need head count by June 1, 2020. Call Agnes at 808-987-1884. If you have any questions contact President, Apo Aquino or on Facebook (Kaukahela 'Ohana).

MANU/KAWELO – Cancelled and postponed to next year.

SHIM – REUNION FOR HAWAIIAN, CHINESE BRANCHES, WAILUKU. Shim reunion with the theme "Tracing and Connecting Shim Family Roots" will convene July 23 to 25, 2021, on Maui. Mook Shim had six children each by a Chinese wife, Chu Shee, and a Hawaiian wife, Lily Kapolihi'i aka Napaeapae. Offspring with the latter were, as follows: Edward Loi Hing Shim; Margaret Wong Starkey; Henry Shim; Joseph Shim; Thelma Yanagi, and Kathryn Chung. Chinese offspring were Albert, Edward, Hannah, Henry, Minnie and Robert Shim. Organizers especially invite descendants (1) of Napaeapae's brother, William (Pauhi) Keli'ihelhua of Molokai, and sisters Roselae (Joseph) Paki and Julia (Samuel) Paki of Maui, and (2) of Bow Shim, whose offspring were Anna, Stanley, Harold, Rose, James, Daisy, Mabel and Sarah Shim. Contact Sarah Shim on Maui at email: ssuncleping9@gmail.com or (808) 281-1681, or Ewalani Shim on Maui at (808) 760-8913.

WOOLSEY – The descendants of George Lewis Woolsey and Annie Kamakakaulani Akana are planning a family reunion on July 2-5, 2020 at He Piko No Waiohuli, Kula, Maui, Hawai'i. George Lewis Woolsey and Annie Kamakakaulani Akana had four children, all of whom have produced descendants: Matilda Woolsey Norton, George Woolsey, James Woolsey and Miriam Woolsey Jay Reed. We will talk story, have music, games, enjoy each other's company and have genealogy updates during the reunion. Camping is allowed. For more information, please email Hope: woolseyohana@gmail.com.

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BEIRNE/GEORGE/KAILIULI/WAIWAIOLÉ – Looking for descendants of Joseph Beirne, Lani George, Victoria Kailiuli, and John Kalua Waiwaiolé. A family reunion will be held June 26-27, 2020 in Honolulu. Please contact Minette K Ngali at ngalu10@gmail.com or call 808-250-8751. Mahalo.

CHARTRAND – Aloha John Francis Carson Chartrand is my Grandfather on my mother's side. He came to Hawai'i in the 20s with the Calvary. He married four Hawaiian women in his life and had many children. Mary Keahi Kaohu, Edith Kapule Kalawaia, Margaret Keanalani Claesene and Helen Brown. My mother Isabelle Leina'ala Chartrand Kainoa and brother Harold Kalawaia Chartrand had eleven half siblings. In honor of all the Chartrand 'Ohana that have passed on, to meet Grandpa Chartrand. We want to plan a reunion. We need everyone to kokua with your current contact info to cousin Cami Chartrand 446-5098 email Chartrandreunion2020@gmail.com or John Kainoa 244-8428, johnkainoa61@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you. Mahalo John.

GRAMBERG – Searching for the descendants or any related 'ohana of Herman Gramberg and Rose Anakalea. Children of Herman and Rose are Herman "Waha", Theresa, George, Vivian, Henry "Heine", Darilynn, and Rosebud. Looking to update

genealogical information. Please email grambergohana1@gmail.com. Any information shared is greatly appreciated. Mahalo!

HARBOTTLE – I am looking for information on my great-great grandmother. Her name is Talaimanomateata or Kua'analewa, she was Tahitian and married to or had a child with George Nahalelaau Harbottle. Born in 1815 on O'ahu and son of John Harbottle of England and Papapanaupu daughter of Haninimakaohilani and Kauhiaimokuakama. I know from Edward Hulihee Harbottle's (my great grandfather) Guardianship court case that when his father George died his mother was on Maui and the case was stopped until she could be in court. When she appeared in court she said it was fine if Edward H. Boyd became his guardian. There are family stories that she had come from an ali'i family of Tahiti and was in Hawai'i as a ward of the court. I have not been able to substantiate this information. If anyone in the family knows where I might look it would be wonderful to know. Please contact me at waikaphillips@yahoo.com or call 808-936-3946. Mahalo, Noelani Willing Phillips.

HUSSEY – The Hussey family (Alexander & Kaaikaula Makano'e) is updating its genealogy book. Please go to husseyohana.org for more information.

KAIWA – Looking for descendants or related 'Ohana Members of 'BILL KAIWA', aka 'SOLOMAN ANI. Please contact ROBERTA BOLLIG 320-248-3656 or flh63kb@yahoo.com MAHALO!

KAMILA/CAZIMERO – We are updating our Kamila and Manuel Family Tree and planning our next Family Reunion. Please check out our Facebook page; Hui 'o Manuel a me Kamila Reunion or email Kamila.ManuelCazimeroFR2021@gmail.com. You can also contact Stacy Hanohano at (808) 520-4212 for more information.

KEANU – Would like to locate genealogical information for my deceased paternal grandmother named Josephine Keanu born either in Ka'u or Kaohe (Big Island) on 8/12/1912 or 1911. Supposedly, her birth record was destroyed during a fire at St. Benedict Church in Honaunau. I was told this church kept birth records of nearby families during that period. I would greatly appreciate any kokua in locating her 'ohana and details of her birth. Please contact ssylvia4@hotmail.com.

KAUKA – Looking for descendants or related 'ohana members of Deborah Chan Loy (DOB: about 1885). Please contact Glenn Ventura at gventura44@gmail.com. Mainly trying to locate sisters of my mother Irene Loy (DOB: 1914) Married John Ventura of Kihei. Sisters: Lillian, Saddle (Sadie), Warma (Velma) and Agnes Kauka.

MAKUA – Looking for descendants or related 'ohana members of Henry K. Makua (year of birth: 1907, Honolulu) Father: Joseph K. Makua, Mother: Mary Aukai, Sisters: Malia and Mele, Sons: Henery and Donald Makua. Joseph and Mary may have originated from Kaua'i. Looking for genealogical information. Please contact – emakua.makua@gmail.com. Mahalo!

STEWART – Looking for descendants or 'ohana of James and Mca-alani Stewart of Kahalu'u, O'ahu. Please contact William Stewart: wsteward52@yahoo.com if you are interested in a family reunion.

TITCOMB – For all descendants of Charles Titcomb and Kanikele – it's time to update the family information for another family reunion. Anyone that would be interested to be on the planning committee, contact: K. Nani Kawaa at titcombfamilyreunion@gmail.com.

YONG/KUKAHIKO – Kalei Keahi / Ah Foon Yong and John Mahele Kukahiko / Daisy Nahaku Up dating genealogy information on these 2 ohana. Please send to Janelle Kanekoa (granddaughter of Samuel Apo Young/ Yong and Daisybelle Kukahiko) email me @ nehaukanekoa@gmail.com. Please list on top right which ohana you belong to. Yong or Kukahiko. ■

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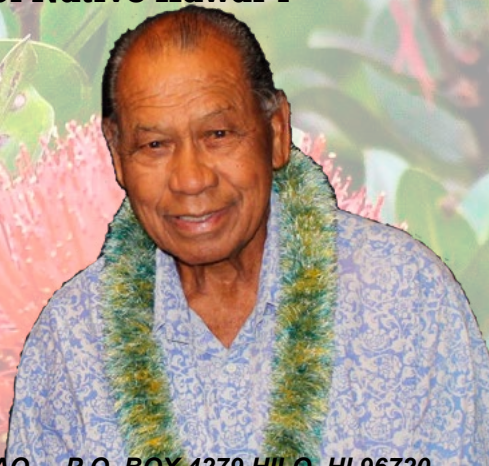
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