

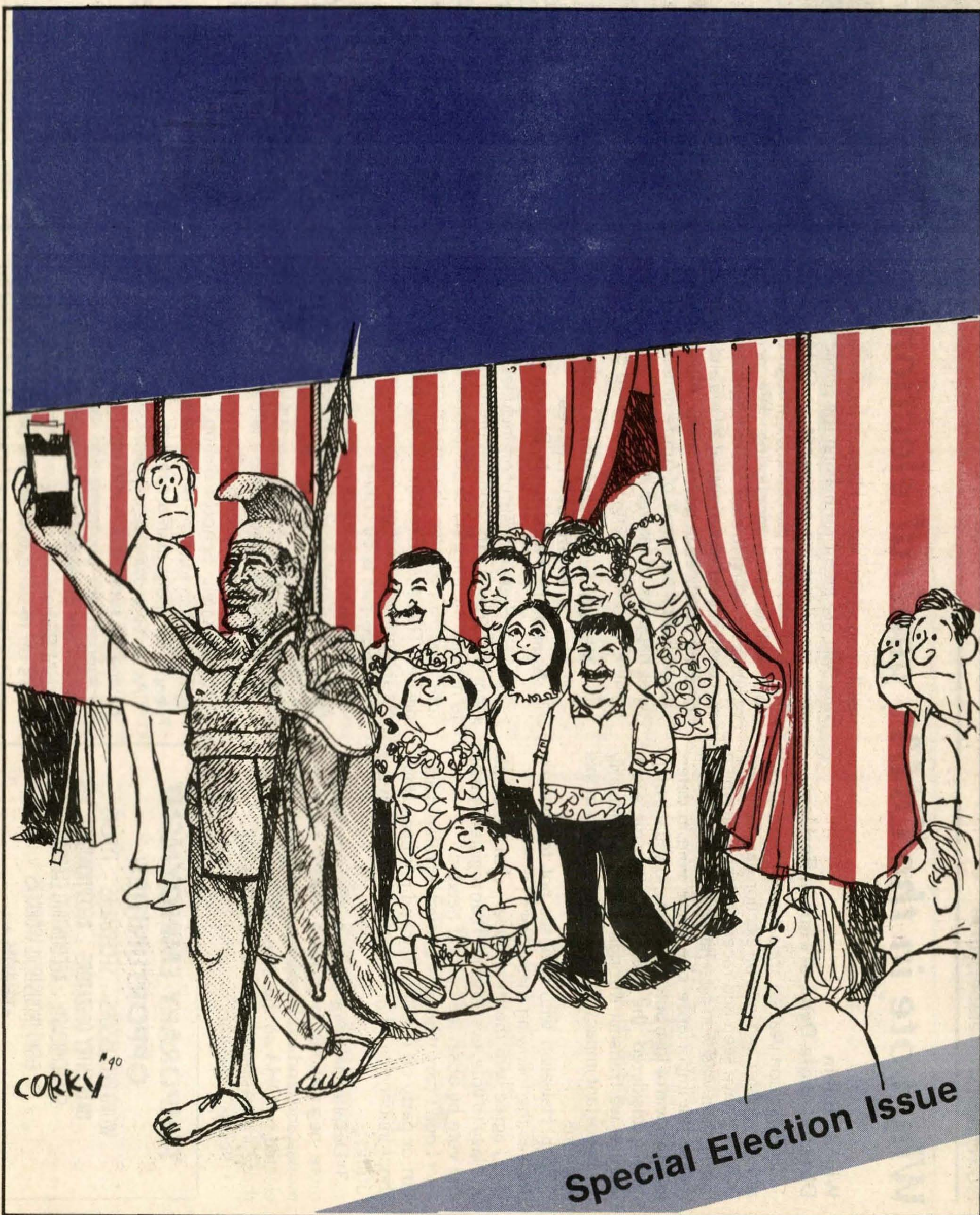
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# Ka Wai Ola O OHA



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Special Election Issue





# The 1990 elections and Hawaiian issues

By Deborah Lee Ward  
Editor, Ka Wai Ola O OHA

In this November 1990 special election issue of Ka Wai Ola O OHA, we have invited candidates in the OHA election, and major federal and state races to present their statements to answer the questions "What do you think is the most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years? What steps would you take, or what course would you follow to address that issue?"

Ka Wai Ola O OHA invites its readers to read the following article which summarizes the major Hawaiian issues as seen by OHA and others in the community, and to determine which candidates are most knowledgeable and responsive to the Hawaiian issues of the 1990s, which may become "the decade of the Hawaiian."

## OHA and the pursuit of Hawaiian rights

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs was established by a 1978 state constitutional amendment to "promote the betterment of conditions of Hawaiians."

In carrying out its founding purpose, OHA continues to seek:

- resolution and settlement of Native Hawaiian claims for lands and sovereignty illegally taken without consent or compensation to the Hawaiian people;
- recognition of the inherent right of self-determined governance;
- and the protection and practice of native rights for current and future generations of all Native Hawaiians.

In 1982, OHA submitted to the Native Hawai-

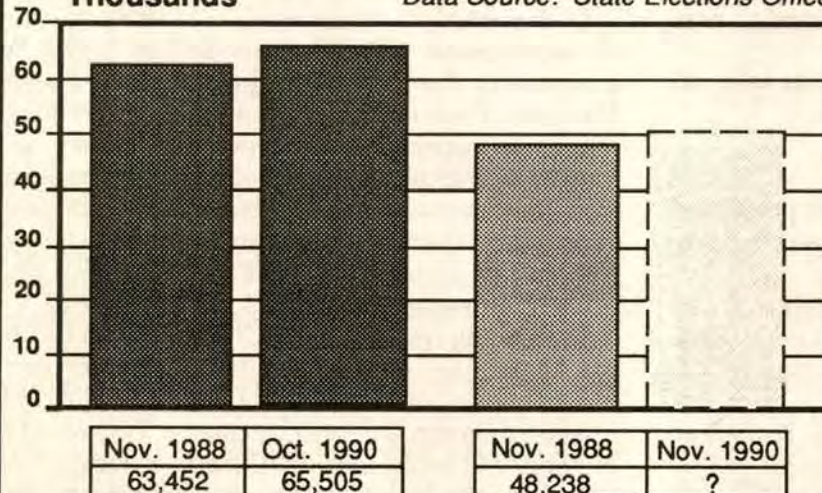
## Native Hawaiians in OHA Elections

### Registration

Thousands

### Voter turnout

Data Source: State Elections Office



ans Study Commission a report entitled "Reparations and Restitution," which set out four general principles to bring native Hawaiians into the modern era of federal Native American relations: 1) acknowledgement by the U.S. of the wrongful taking of Hawaiian land; 2) provisions of self-government for native Hawaiians; 3) provision of a land base for native Hawaiians; and 4) monetary compensation."

The OHA long-range plan, I Luna A'e (moving upward) was begun with these component parts. An enrollment program has been underway since July 1989 to register all Hawaiians, establish a validated genealogy base, and develop the first true demographic information to identify Hawaiian wants and needs.

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## Message from Lt. Governor Cayetano



Readers of Ka Wai Ola O OHA know of the work being done by the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. The trustees and staff have worked hard to create new programs, expand communication with OHA beneficiaries, and

awaken greater public awareness of the needs of the Hawaiian people.

OHA's increasing importance is reflected in the fact that there are 29 candidates this year for the Board of Trustees. That turnout shows wide interest and deep commitment to the founding principles and work of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

Now it is up to the readers of Ka Wai Ola O OHA to do *their* part. To fulfill the potential of OHA, I urge every eligible person to vote for OHA trustees and in the General Election on Tuesday, November 6. By casting your ballot, you will be shaping the future of OHA and the Hawaiian people.

Your right to vote is a precious possession. Be exercising that freedom, you keep it strong and help preserve it. So please, remember to vote on Tuesday, November 6, Mahalo and aloha.

## The Office of Hawaiian Affairs Election

### Background

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs was established by a 1978 Constitutional Amendment. The purpose of OHA is to "promote the betterment of conditions of Hawaiians."

OHA is the principal state agency which coordinates programs affecting Hawaiians. It receives funding from the ceded lands public trust and general funding from the Legislature. OHA also receives grants and donations for Hawaiian programs and services; and serves as a trustee of possible reparations from the federal government.

### Election of OHA Trustees

The OHA election is held every two years at the same time as the general election. This year the election will be on Tuesday, Nov. 6. This will be the sixth election for the OHA Board of Trustees.

There are five seats to be filled in 1990. The trustees serve staggered four-year terms and are elected statewide. Of the five seats to be filled in this election, two have residency requirements. The trustees who represent O'ahu and Maui must reside on those islands. The remaining three trustee seats are "at-large" and candidates may live on any of the islands.

However, all OHA voters may vote for a candidate in each of the four OHA races, regardless of whether a candidate is running "at-large" or as a resident of a particular island.

### Voting requirements

- To vote in the OHA election, a person must be:
- of Hawaiian ancestry

- a U.S. citizen
- a resident of Hawai'i
- age 18 or older

Persons do not need to show proof of Hawaiian ancestry at the time of registration, but must sign an affidavit swearing and affirming that they are Hawaiian. If challenged, they must be able to prove they are Hawaiian.

Challenges can be made before election day by writing to the city/county clerk, or on election day at the polling place.

### The OHA ballot

All persons registered to vote in OHA elections will be issued an OHA ballot along with the regular election ballots.

**Important note: if for some reason, you do not receive a separate OHA ballot at your polling place, be sure to request one from the voter assistant.**

### Absentee voting

Persons who are unable to vote at their polling place on election day for any of the following reasons may do so by absentee ballot.

Individuals who:

1. live in a remote area;
2. are home bound, institutionalized or disabled;
3. are absent from their county or district of residence;
4. are in prison for a misdemeanor or awaiting trial;
5. hold a conflicting religious belief.

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# OHA Board Business

The Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs held its monthly business meeting on Sept. 29 at the Ho'olehua Congregational Church on Moloka'i.

Present were Chairman Kaulukukui and Trustee Akaka, Burgess, Ching, DeSoto, Hao and Keale.

Trustees Kahaialii and Mahoe were excused.

## Unfinished Business

Trustee Burgess asked what action the board intends to take by Dr. Frank Tabrah at the August board meeting on Kaua'i. Tabrah's report concerned the effects of electromagnetic radiation, including possible health problems suffered by individuals living near the Lualualei Naval Radio Station transmitters on O'ahu. Tabrah recommended an independent group be formed to examine radiation levels.

At the Moloka'i meeting the matter was referred to the Committee on External Affairs.

## New Business

The board considered two requests presented at the Moloka'i community meeting held the previous evening.

The first request was to fund a conference on fishponds, water rights and other traditional rights. The matter was referred to the Committee on Status and Entitlements.

Moloka'i community members also requested legal assistance to protect their hunting rights. The board directed staff to review this matter and it also was referred to the Status and Entitlements Committee.

## Administrator's Report

Administrator Richard Paglinawan presented for review a schedule of OHA's biennium budget and six-year functional plans. The schedule reflected a total of seven community budget meetings in all counties, followed by a revision of the budget and presentation for approval at the Nov. 2 meeting of the board.

## Historic Preservation Task Force Report

A written report was presented summarizing three task force meetings held in September. It was also noted that the task force members were concerned about their working relationship with Hui Malama I Na Kupuna with respect to the issue of repatriation of Hawaiian bones.

## Committee Reports

### Committee on Operations and Development

A. The board unanimously approved property management guidelines entitled "Principles and Procedures for the Management of Cultural and Historic Properties." The plan is described as a first step in the development of a comprehensive land management plan for the transfer of cultural and historic properties to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

B. Unanimous approval was also voted to a recommendation "to appropriate \$1,069.63 from the Native Hawaiian Rights Fund to pay the outstanding amount on legal services rendered by Isaac I Davis Hall, attorney at law, in the OHA intervention before the Maui Land Use Commission on the application of the Waihee Golf Course for land use redesignation.

C. The board amended and accepted a Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation (NHLC) "Case Acceptance Criteria for Non-Land Title Project Representation." It approves a dispute resolution mechanism regarding potential conflicts of interest between OHA and NHLC clients. The amendment specifies that the mechanism is to be considered an interim measure subject to the recommendations of an NHLC audit.

D. Approval was granted to a recommendation to appropriate \$34,232 from special funds to supplement the FY 1990-91 budget of the Native Hawaiian Preservation Task Force. The request takes into consideration needed additional travel funds for the repatriation to Kaua'i of remains from the Smithsonian Institution, hearings on relevant repatriation legislation and an unanticipated shift in the composition of the Task Force and related intrastate travel costs.

E. Pending review by the Committee on External Affairs, the trustees gave tentative agreement to a proposal to establish the Onipa'a Award, and a seven-member Onipa'a committee. The award is in honor of Queen Lili'uokalani and is designed to recognize the individual or organization who has done the most to advance native Hawaiian rights in previous years.

F. The board directed that letters expressing OHA's outrage at the destruction of 55 'ohe trees in Kahauloa, Keei in South Kona, be sent to the developer and contractor of the project as well as to the Hawai'i County Planning Department.

The letters will demand replacement of the trees and appropriate restitution. The board also approved the institution of a civil suit against the developer and contractor if adequate restitution cannot be achieved by other means.

The developers violated a condition of the grading and grubbing permit granted by the Department of Public Works, County of Hawai'i, which was to preserve a stand of 60 'ohe trees (not to be confused with bamboo). The developers bulldozed all but five trees, despite the direction of the Department of Public Works and community support for preserving the trees. The trees were listed as rare or endangered on previous endangered species lists but were removed from the list in 1985.

G. A motion was approved directing staff to seek additional information on the federal disposition and protection of "Greenbank," a 22.5 acre parcel of land in Kohala, Hawai'i, and to convey to federal authorities OHA's recognition of the traditional and historical value of the property.

## Hui O Hana Kuponu O Moloka'i

Hui O Hana Kuponu O Moloka'i, a group of Moloka'i youngsters who perform service projects and are concerned with preserving Hawaiian culture and language, made a presentation to the board. Along with their advisor, Moses Kim, the organization asked the trustees for recognition and support of their aims and goals. The board directed that a formal resolution acknowledging the work of the Hui be drafted.

## Calendar

The next regular meeting of the board of trustees was set for Nov. 2 at 10 a.m. in OHA's Honolulu office, 1600 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 1500.

## BOT Nov. meetings

- Thursday, Nov. 1, Programs Committee, 1:30 p.m.
- Friday, Nov. 2, Board of Trustees, 10 a.m.
- Wednesday Nov. 7, Native Hawaiian Status and Entitlements, 1:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Nov. 8, Operations and Development, 1:30 p.m.
- Friday, Nov. 16, External Affairs, 1:30 p.m.
- Friday, Nov. 30, Board of Trustees, 10 a.m.

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# OHA Candidate Profiles

By Deborah Lee Ward

Editor's note: As a service to its voting beneficiaries and candidates, Ka Wai Ola O OHA presents the following synopsis of the 29 candidates vying for five seats on the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees.

There are 18 candidates for three at-large seats, four candidates for the single Maui seat, and seven candidates for the single O'ahu seat. Elected trustees will serve a four year term to 1994.

The four holdover trustees are: chairman Thomas K. Kaulukukui, Sr. (trustee at-large), Moanikeala Akaka (trustee from Hawai'i), Louis Hao (trustee from Moloka'i) and Moses Keale (trustee from Kaua'i). Their terms will expire in 1992.

Four incumbent trustees are seeking re-election: Rodney Kealiimahiai Burgess III (trustee at-large), A. Frenchy DeSoto (trustee at-large), Clarence Ching (trustee from O'ahu) and Manu Kahaialii (trustee from Maui). Incumbent Kevin M.K. "Chubby" Mahoe will not be seeking re-election.

## Rowena Akana

For too long the Hawaiian people have been divided on issues concerning land rights, reparations, blood quantum and sovereignty. These issues are important because they link to our proud heritage.

However, I believe that while there are many pressing concerns facing the Hawaiian community today, there are three that need to be addressed immediately. They are: education and job training, affordable housing and unemployment.

When elected, I will do my utmost to see that these concerns are addressed.

## Rod Kealiimahiai Burgess

I was first elected a trustee at the inception of OHA in 1980, re-elected in 1982 and in 1986. I seek re-election in order to continue my work at OHA. Many positive accomplishments have been attained under my leadership as vice-chairman of the board and as co-chair of the committee on "Status and Entitlements." They include the following:

### Accomplishments:

1. Responsible for initiating the Native Hawaiian Land Title Project via the Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation (NHLC) to defend against quiet title actions on kuleana lands.

2. Initiated legislation to protect Hawaiian residents of Miloli'i, Hawai'i, and Maunaloa Valley, O'ahu from being displaced by the state.

3. Initiated intervention by OHA on Kapalua burials resulting in new state laws to protect the "iwi" of our kupuna, and formation of Native Hawaiian Historical Preservation Task Force and Island Burial Councils.

4. Committee chair Task Force on Hawaiian Homes Commission 1983-1984. Conceived accelerated award program subsequently adopted and implemented by DHHL.

5. Developed and initiated ceded land informational meetings statewide to educate our peoples on their rights to Hawaiian Homelands.

6. Conceived and initiated a "single definition referendum" to include all Hawaiians—regardless of blood quantum—to be identified as a Native

tion.

Candidates were invited to submit a 500-word statement on their choice of topic (including their political experience) but they were requested to address in some way the following two questions:

"What do you think is the most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years?"

"What steps would you take, or what course would you follow to address that issue?"

Candidate statements begin on this page.

## AT-LARGE (3 seats)

Rowena Noelani Akana

\*Rod Kealiimahiai Burgess

Linda Keaweehu Dela Cruz

\*A. Frenchy DeSoto

Bob "Papakolea" Freitas

Kaipolani Kahaialii-Kaopio

Radine Kawahine Kamakea

Kamaki Kanahale

Abraham "Horse" Kapana

Velma P. "Aloha" Kekipi

## At-large candidates

Hawaiian if they so choose.

7. Advocated for OHA to maintain a strict policy of political advocacy on all Hawaiian entitlements as priority. Conceived formation of standing committee on Status and Entitlements which has been instrumental in resolving the ceded land claims 20% revenue to OHA and the federal land claims Blueprint.

8. Advocate the establishment of "Hawaiian Language Schools" statewide and "Hawaiian culture centers."

OHA has developed a game plan to unify the Hawaiian people in which our political strength will result in the survival of our rich culture and heritage.

We the indigenous people of these islands are faced with a tremendous population growth through immigration and labor imports. We are faced with the development of our lands everywhere with almost total disregard for the consequences for po'e Hawai'i. The attitude is that growth is needed and the Hawaiian will eventually fit in. That's like playing Russian roulette!

The solution is education of our people on their "history," "native rights," "land rights" and adherence to a game plan where lands held by the federal government (approximately 500,000) are returned along with powers of self-governance.

The OHA "single-definition referendum" was intended to instill identity and self-pride in all Hawaiians regardless of blood quantum. Our keiki and 'opio will soon be the "keepers of our culture." We must have vision!

OHA has stated that this "political statement" would not breach the present 50% Hawaiian trusts (DHHL and OHA) but rather garner the necessary political power to properly enforce them.

Negotiations are on-going between OHA and the state to establish a permanent funding source and land base for "all Hawaiians." The return of lands to OHA to establish statewide land awards is a reality. Let us all make the "real Mahele" happen. Imua!

## Linda Keaweehu Dela Cruz

Native Hawaiians with Hawaiian blood are the richest people in Hawai'i. Yet, they are the poorest. Why? The Hawaiian Homes Commission Act and the 5(f) section of the Hawaii State Admission Act provide millions of dollars every year and 200,000 acres of land, more

Arthur F. Kepo'o

James K. "Manako" Manaku

Sam M. Peters, Jr.

Wilson "Manuwai" Peters

Herbert N. Pratt

Dennis "Bradda D" Sallas

Dawn Hoopukaekala Wasson

Edwina A.L. Wong

## MAUI (1 seat)

Abraham, "Chief" Aiona

\*Manu Kahaialii

Clinton K. Makekau

Charles Kauluwehi Maxwell

## O'AHU (1 seat)

\*Clarence F.T. Ching

Clayton Hee

Josiah H. "Black" Hoohuli

Lela Malina Hubbard

Enoch N. "Enoka" Kaina

R. Kunani Nihipali

Charles Y. Tanouye, Jr.

(\*Denotes incumbent)

or less. These two trusts are only rehabilitation programs. Which means we are still homeless in our own land. I am in favor of sovereignty. A nation within a nation.

For years, people asked me, "What is OHA doing for us?" Although I've constantly tried to find out, my answer is always, "I don't know." Maybe if I am a trustee, I can find out.

**Career:** Linda Dela Cruz, "Hawaii's Canary." I was a singer of Hawaiian songs for 40 years and taught hula for 10 years. Moved to Hilo, retired from my profession and became a farmer on Hawaiian Home Lands.

**Political Experience:** Lobbied at the legislature for 16 years. Gave testimony at many public hearings. President and officer of several Hawaiian organizations. Presently, I am president of the Aboriginal Native Hawaiian Association.

Since 1978, I worked to move the Keaukaha sewage plant from Keaukaha. Opposed the irradiation plant development in Panaewa. Worked for the 1/4 successorship bill that passed in Congress in 1986. Introduced HB 1492, Hawaiian Genealogy Bank (bill) that passed in 1989.

**Future Plans:** Time is of the essence. I worry about our future generations. We cannot change the 50% blood quantum in the HHCA. We must add a new section to include all aboriginal native Hawaiians regardless of blood quantum. If elected, I promise to do my best.

## A. Frenchy DeSoto (Keanuenueokalaninuia mamao)

**Residence:** Wai'anae Valley Homestead

**Spouse:** John "Cobra" DeSoto, Sr.

**Married:** 43 years

**Children:** 6 (my hanau), 4 (luhi)

**Moopuna:** 14

**Education:** Kapalama Elementary, Kailua

Elementary, Robert Lewis Stevenson, Roosevelt High School, Farrington High School, Leeward Community College, Central Michigan University, City and County management courses.

**Employment:** Presently employed City and County of Honolulu, manager, Wai'anae Satellite City Hall; Trustee, Office of Hawaiian Affairs (elected).

**Past Employment:** Jury Commissioner (Hawaii Judiciary), Hawaii State Senate staff, Model Cities, program monitor Wai'anae, Dole Cannery, trimmer.

**Elected Offices:** Alu Like Board of Directors, continued page 4





# OHA Candidate Profiles

## At-large candidates

Wai'anae Neighborhood Board #24 (elected two terms), 1978 Constitutional Convention, 1980 Office of Hawaiian Affairs (at-large), 1986 Office of Hawaiian Affairs (at-large).

**Awards:** 1981 Gannett Award "Outstanding Woman," 1984 State House of Representatives "Service to the Community," 1986 Wai'anae Neighborhood Board "Service to the Community," 1986-89 Commendation on Support of the Community Service Program; Commendation by the U.S. Army "In Recognition for Contributions in Public Relations, Helping Others Understand the Hawaiian Culture"; Commendation by the City Council and the Mayor of Honolulu for unselfish service to the community in time of a natural disaster.

My record of achievement in our community speaks for itself. I am a doer, not a talker. I was instrumental in the creation of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs as the Chair of the Hawaiian Affairs Committee in the 1978 Constitutional Convention, when people were saying we couldn't do it. We did it. When we elevated the Hawaiian language to Constitutional protection, people were saying we couldn't do it. We did it. When people were saying we could never have culture and language taught in the public school system because of the heavy lobby by HSTA, we did it. *Ha* was given to the Kupuna Program. OHA is on course, resolving and maintaining the trust corpus, developing and proposing a trust for all

Hawaiians, regardless of blood quantum, thus beginning the second step towards self-government. Here is a quote directly from the Con-Con's Committee of the Whole's report:

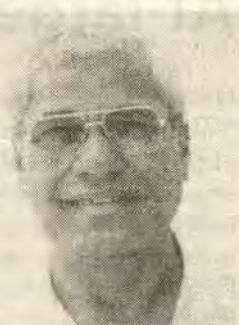
"The establishment of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs was intended to grant rights of self-determination and self-government to Hawaiians. OHA was designed to further the cause of Hawaiian self-government. OHA was envisioned to be a stepping stone to the eventual evolution of a self-government. All Hawaiians have unique legal status and the establishment of OHA was seen as the beginning for Hawaiians, with powers of regulation over their internal and social problems."

As a team player, we have made major progress, but there is still much work to be done. Let us pull together.

As your elected representative to the OHA Board of Trustees, I bring you commitment, honesty, and integrity. Please give me one of your votes. Mahalo.

**Bob Freitas**

**Age & Background:** 57 years. Born in Honolulu. Lives in Papakolea Hawaiian homestead. Retired U.S. Civil service; presently employed by State of Hawai'i. Volunteer community service since 1968 in Hawaiian



Affairs; PTA; probation court aide; Makiki Justice Center mediator; fish and game law enforcement officer; deputy sheriff. Currently president of Papakolea Assn and legislative chair for State Council of Hawaiian Homestead Assns.

### Platform on critical issues:

1. Prioritize the needs of beneficiaries, then develop and implement programs necessary to meet these needs. For example, housing versus scholarships; culture versus job training and placement.

2. Establish an annual percentage rate to be transferred from the entitlement trust fund to DHHL designated as OHA's home loan revolving fund and earmarked specifically for emergency replacement and/or repair home loans and renovation home loans for leasees.

3. Conduct round table meetings with key Hawaiian agencies/institutions for the purpose of categorizing responsibilities to eliminate duplication of programs, waste of moneys and to ensure proper use of funds. For example, Kamehameha Schools - education; Alu Like - job training; DHHL - land/housing; E Ola Mau - health etc.

4. Initiate legislative actions for state and federal funds to implement and/or finance economic development programs which enhance self-sufficiency within Hawaiian communities.

5. Create an effective and closer relationship with beneficiaries through quarterly meetings with trustees of representative areas for the purpose of dispersing information and gaining inputs.

**Q:** What do you think is the most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years?

**A:** Leadership is the most important issue. Unless the leadership in the political area is changed, the entitlement rights of Native Hawaiians, in terms of land and money, will be jeopardized. Compromises and initiatives, already in motion under the pretense of bettering our conditions, can only lead to the final demise of our birthright and identity.

**Q:** What steps would you take, or what course would you follow to address that issue?

**A:** The course of action is for OHA to develop and implement an effective and unbiased political education program now. In the next two years, every Hawaiian adult must exercise their valuable right to vote wisely if we are to turn the tide that will terminate our entitlement rights. Leadership can only be accountable to us if all Hawaiian people bear responsibility for our future.

**Kaipolani Kahaialii-Kaopio**

**Birthplace:** Waimea, Kaua'i

**Biography:** Mother of 12 children and wife of OHA Maui Trustee. Raised on Waimanalo homestead land. Active in numerous community projects and Hawaiian cultural affairs.

**Occupation:** Presently employed with MTI Vacations. 25 years of travel and hotel experience. Former owner of Hauoli Tours (Maui).

**Objectives:** Help our Hawaiian people gain a better quality of life and to see them receive the benefits that have been too long denied.

**Goals:** 1. Help establish documentation and preserve all information of all Hawaiians through records and every means of genealogy.

2. Seek faster ways for our Native Hawaiians to acquire homes and homestead lands, so that we may enable ourselves to be self-sufficient.

3. Create equal educational opportunities for every Hawaiian throughout the state. Develop more skilled workers, preparing them for entry levels into a business.

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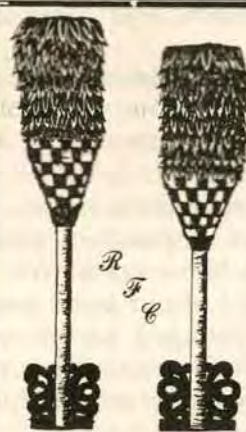
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# OHA Candidate Profiles

## At-large candidates

4. Provide a continuous support in preserving our 'aina and its natural resources. Stop exchanging our prime lands and prevent renewal of leases of these lands.

The need for unity with the Hawaiian people is so overwhelming. There are many problems we are trying to solve and they each are too important. These include housing, claims to lands, water rights, education and the list is endless. We must work together in order to solve these concerns. We need to regain our sense of self worth and determination, so that our younger Hawaiian generations will be able to continue our survival as a people and prosper. We are Hawaiian first. Our way of life is simple and our source of strength comes from our 'ohana. The problems are many, and I understand the commitment I make, but this is something I want to do, if it be the choice of our Hawaiian people. Allow me that chance to make the difference.

### Radine Kawahine Kamakea

**Kaho'olawe work, 1976-1979:** Went to Kaho'olawe on nine occasions as a logistics and safety coordinator for Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana, spending 10 to 15 days at a time on the island. Coordinated groups ranging in size from a dozen (working team) to groups numbering in excess of 150 members. Activity planned, coordinated and worked at site clearance and archaeological reconnaissance activities. **Constitutional Convention Clerk, 1978:** Worked as a clerk for the Hawaiian Affairs Committee. **Volunteers for OHA, 1979:** Planned and implemented island-wide candidate forums and voter registration drives in connection with the first election for OHA trustees. **Legal Aid Society, Governmental Affairs clerk, 1979:** Worked as a Governmental Affairs clerk under the deputy director, monitoring Native Hawaiian legislation. **Waimanalo Neighborhood Board president, 1982.** **Office of Hawaiian Affairs, governmental affairs clerk, 1980-1983:** Worked as a governmental affairs clerk, designing and implementing legislative monitoring systems; also, oversight responsibility for community liaison activities. **Hale Mohalu, 1983:** Supported and actively participated with Hansen's Disease patients in their struggle to keep Hale Mohalu their home. **President, Hawaiian Language Immersion Program, 1984:** Served as an active, hands-on, working member while president of the board of directors, Halau Liko Laulani, a Hawaiian language immersion program for preschool children in Waimanalo, taught by na kupuna. **Waimanalo beach people, 1984:** Organized homeless native Hawaiian families in their struggle to reform the Hawaiian Homes program. **DHHL general plan for Waimanalo, 1986:** Organized representatives from Waimanalo community to participate in general plan document, unprecedented in the history of the department. **Waimanalo Health Center project coordinator, 1990:** Currently staff project coordinator of non-profit which will provide primary health care to Waimanalo families.

### Biggest challenge facing OHA over the next 10 years:

Unity is the biggest challenge facing OHA. OHA Trustees must be visionaries who can inspire their people to speak with a collective voice. Only with unity will Hawaiians continue the slow but sure path of reform to achieve *pono*. If they are to serve as an inspiration to their people, they must conduct themselves in a manner which is deserving of respect. They must first bond with one



another if they wish to bond with their people.

Over the next 10 years, there are issues of self-determination and governance, federal restitution, enlarging and managing land trusts, settling Native Hawaiians on their homelands—many large and difficult issues which require vision. This vision must be based on the world we want for our children many generations into the future. *Ku Pono* is the word which captures my feelings in this regard. It is related to unity because it pertains to faith and pride in the teachings of our ancestors. When we look to the wisdom of our ancestors, we also act with wisdom.

**What I would do as trustee to meet that challenge:** Work hard with communities, right there with the people, with discipline. Work as hard as humanly possible to achieve the unity I feel is so important. Communities have been and will continue to be my strength. Each community and every individual in it deserves the highest measure of respect and consideration. Work hard with fellow trustees, the staff of OHA, and all who can make a constructive difference. Make sure that the highest caliber of individuals are called upon to help us realize our collective dream.

### Kamaki A. Kanahele

The most important issue facing Hawaiians in the next five years must be the ability for Hawaiians to unite and work together. All other issues can then come together. Unity can command all the resources demanded by us legally and morally. With this accomplished, political strength, self governance, and all our wishes and dreams can come to pass. I have begun this effort.

I seek to better the conditions of all Hawaiians. In order to do this, Hawaiians must work united (*loka*). I originated and organized the historic Ho'olokahi event at Aloha Stadium bringing together 50,000 Hawaiians and Hawaiians at heart. I founded and organized the state's largest Native Hawaiian organizations, the State Council of Hawaiian Homestead Associations. This council sits 23 homestead boards who represent 27,000 homesteaders. History will mark the day also, that the Honorable Daniel K. Akaka became the first Native Hawaiian in American history to sit as a United States Senator. I organized the state's largest gathering of welcome for this distinguished man at the Aloha Tower bringing together 10,000 people. I continue to work toward greater Hawaiian recognition and unity.

I seek to provide Hawaiians with a free health card, so Hawaiians will not have to worry about bills but instead about healing themselves. I do believe that without the health and care of our people, especially our youth and kupuna, our nation will never be strong.

I seek to bring Hawaiians back to the land with affordable housing and with jobs. Whether on homesteads or other lands, the foundation of our structure is assured in living on the land, owning our own homes, and an income. Toward these ends I am committed.

My emphasis is education with a strong economic foundation. The learning and practice of our culture should be required. Opening and owning businesses should be a first step in promoting a sound economic base. I will work towards this.

People told me I could not bring together 50,000 at the stadium, I could not organize all homesteads under a single banner; a welcoming for Senator Akaka that large was not possible. I did it. I believe I can do the rest of the things others have said impossible.

My 10 years in Washington D.C., three years in OHA, owning my own business; a background in



education and proof of my successes show that I can do the work.

I would appreciate your vote. Mahalo.

### Abraham Kapana

#### Friends:

My name is Abraham Kapana. I was born and raised in Hawai'i. I attended Farrington High School in Honolulu. After graduation, I spent a large part of my adult life in the military. I enlisted in the immediate years after World War II and served in the Korean War.

I am pure Hawaiian and I have followed the recent renaissance of the Hawaiian people, including the various stages which culminated in the establishment of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. The purpose of OHA is to enable the Hawaiian people to determine their destinies.

I am aware that OHA is confronted with a vast array of problems. Problems range from identification of the problems, communicating with the people OHA serves, and formulating a plan of action to resolve the many problems.

I agree that all problems are of equal significance. However, I find that the issues of health and health care have a low visibility in OHA's plans. When I review the records of the past, I find that the late Queen Emma made provisions in her will for the health and well-being of the indigenous and indigent people of Hawai'i. The provisions of the will laid the foundation for Queen's Medical Center. What happened to the provisions of Queen Emma's will relating to health care for the Hawaiians?

If elected, I will focus my attention on health care for Hawaiians and investigate the relations of Queen's Medical Center and health care for the indigenous people of the islands.

**Education:** Farrington High School; University of Hawaii, cultural; U.S. Army technical studies

**Previous and Current Employment:** Self-employed tour consultant; hotel food and catering; luau catering and program; tour and entertainment activities; educator, Hawaiian language; aquatic sports planning; driver's education program.

**Community or Organizational Activities:**  
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## Services to Hawaiians

All members of Hawaiian communities throughout the state are invited to attend a series of community meetings this month on planning for critical services needed by Hawaiians. The meetings, conducted by OmniTrak Group on behalf of the Hui Imi Task Force on Hawaiian Services, will present findings on critical services needed by Hawaiians.

Community members will be asked to suggest how their needs for different kinds of services (such as health, economic, or social services) can be met. These suggestions will be used by the task force to make recommendations to the Legislature next spring to improve coordination and accessibility of Hawaiian services.

#### Date Time Isl/City Location

Nov. 5	6 p.m.	Hilo	QLCC
Nov. 7	6 p.m.	Maui	Waikapu Community Center
Nov. 8	5:30 p.m.	Kaua'i	Kekaha Neighborhood Center
Nov. 9	6 p.m.	Kaua'i	Kapaa Neighborhood Center
Nov. 13	6 p.m.	Moloka'i	QLCC
Nov. 14	6 p.m.	O'ahu	Punaluu QLCC
Nov. 15	6 p.m.	O'ahu	Nanakuli QLCC
Nov. 20	6 p.m.	O'ahu	Kawaiaha'o Church (tentative)
Nov. 26	6 p.m.	Lana'i	Lana'i Library
Nov. 27	6 p.m.	Kona	QLCC



# OHA Candidate Profiles

## At-large candidates

OHA Advisory Committee member, Human Services, Disabled American Veterans; Alu Like Inc., Kahu Center of Hawaii; Political Education Committee; 1961 Aloha Week king; Kanikapila Club; World War II, Korean War veteran.

**Political or Governmental offices held:** Lobbyist at legislature.

**Why do you feel you should be an OHA trustee?** I am a candidate because I am concerned about where we're going and what option, if any, do we have. I know we can prove to one another that we can work together like Hawaiians

should. I envision a new breed of people replacing the "old boy" system. We need better control on policy making. We need accountability to achieve the best for our people. If given that chance, I will keep an open invitation and a direct link with the powers of OHA for the betterment of all the Hawaiian people as my principal concern. Mahalo. Ano'ai me kealoha.

### Velma P. Aloha Kekipi

I am Velma P. Aloha Kekipi. I first want to thank and acknowledge my 'ohana (family), my children, my grandchildren, my sisters and brothers, my nieces and nephews, my uncles and aunts, my cousins, and all of their respective spouses, and all of my in-laws who have given me love, support, and encouragement. Secondly, to my friends who are Hawaiian and Hawaiian-at-heart, my classmates of Palolo Elementary, Kaimuki Intermediate, Kaimuki High, University of Hawaii, McCormack School of Realty and Dale Carnegie; my fellow workers of Dole Company, University of Hawaii, MTL, State Commission on the Status of Women, Wai'anae Coast Culture and Arts, U.S. Bureau of the Census, and DOE Kupuna Program; my fellow volunteers of the YWCA, Palama Settlement, WRAC, Alu Like, HACPAC and Aha Haku Mele O Maunakea; my fellow Hawaiian Civic Club members in Wai'anae and Nanaikapono; my sisters and brothers of Kawaihau Church, Samoan Congregational, Kaunakapili, Kalihi Union, Liliuokalani, Kawaiola, Ka Makua Mau Loa, NSA Waipio and Wai'anae Districts and the Kaimuki and Nanakuli wards of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; my friends of Aha Hui O Kaahumanu and Aha Hui O Hale Na Alii; my fellow haumana (students) and artisans of lauhala, lei-making, lomi-lomi and na mau mea Hawai'i (some other things of Hawai'i); my colleagues of the Wai'anae Coast Neighborhood Board; my neighbors and friends of Nanakuli Hawaiian Homestead; my colleagues in the grass-roots movement and my constituents in Ka Lahui Hawai'i, I want to say to all of you, "Mahalo a nui loa (thank you very much) for sharing some very special times with me when we worked together, learned together, sang together, prayed together, "talked story" and shared our mana'o (thoughts),



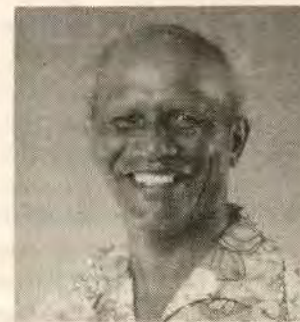
and with some, our na'au (gut) feelings."

Thirdly, to those of you whom I have not yet had the pleasure of meeting, I want to share some of my mana'o i'o (beliefs). I believe this is the homeland of a very special culture, and it needs land bases on every island to be free to perpetuate its values and mores, and to implement and achieve an economic base that can provide a livelihood for its beneficiaries. I believe by exercising the democratic process available, the concept of OHA and its implementation is a way that justice can be achieved. I believe equity can be achieved through creative, quality educational and vocational programs. I believe the lines of communication at all levels need to be improved and expanded so that the beneficiaries and constituents are informed and knowledgeable of their choices and their rights and can make wise decisions. I believe we are already of one mind. We want a better future for ourselves, our children, our grandchildren and all the future generations to come. I also, believe that those things are possible. So, if you love our Hawai'i nei, like I do, get involved! Know your rights! And cast your vote!

Mahalo a nui loa for your time, your interests, your donations, and your vote. Owau me ka lokahi.

### Arthur F. Kepo'o

My name is Arthur F. Kepo'o, age 61, married, grandfather, born and raised on Hawaiian Homes lands, at Keaukaha, and homesteader at Kuhio Village, Wai-mea, Hawaii, retired U.S. Army Captain, candidate, trustee-at-large, Office of Hawaiian Affairs.



Hawai'i has been my home for 61 years and will be my final resting place, when my life is done. Reason is that like every native Hawaiian, this is my native land, given to me by my fore-parents and there is nowhere in the world that will take me home.

As a native Hawaiian, I am proud to be Hawaiian, but sad is my heart because of the negativity that is among the Hawaiians. The most important issue facing Hawaiians in the next five years is: "Hawaiians must work together." All these years we, as Hawaiians were given much outside help to make our Hawaiian community a better place to live in and to be proud as the first

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\* An independent OHA, more accountable to the Hawaiian people

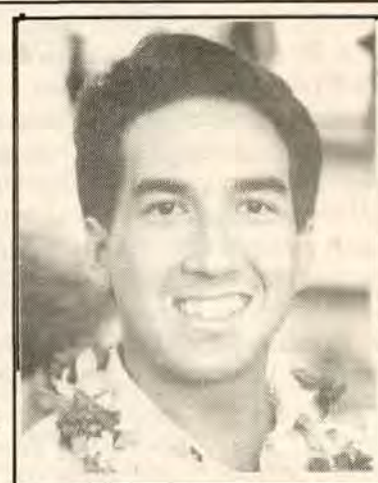
\* Low-interest home loans for Hawaiians

\* Re-establish Community/Economic Development Grant Programs

\* Preservation/protection of Hawaiian historic and sacred places

\* Involve all Hawaiian groups in OHA's decision-making

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# OHA Candidate Profiles

## At-large candidates

people of this beautiful islands.

Yet, we are still at where we were 10 years ago. Therefore, here are the steps I would take to address this issue:

**Step one:** meet with and bring together all Hawaiian departments, organizations, clubs, hui, and even every 'ohana of the Hawaiian community, to include those in the high schools and colleges in the State of Hawai'i.

**Step two:** form and organize from these organizations and groups, a Hawaiian Council, where all of these leaders of these groups and organizations will be known as chiefs or chiefesses. The purpose of this council is to assure and to guarantee that all Hawaiians will be aware of what affects the Hawaiian community.

**Step three:** establish a financial institute where all Hawaiians can pledge financial assistance besides whatever is given to the Hawaiian community, to assist in meeting and realizing the housing and the land needs of the Hawaiian community.

**Step four (and the most important of all):** As your next trustee-at-large, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, I will work and strive to bring about the accomplishment of the three first steps and to have the Office of Hawaiian Affairs work more closely with all Hawaiians whose purpose and desire is for the betterment of conditions of our people, who deserve the best.

As your trustee, I know that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs has that ability and capability of accomplishing these steps, because the State of Hawai'i wants the Hawaiian community to be successful. OHA can do this immediately, the Office

must act and react immediately. I am here to see that this will be done immediately.

### James Kealiikaumoana Manaku Sr.

Aloha. My name is James Kealiikaumoana Manaku Sr. ("Manako" to my friends), candidate-at-large, concerned parent.

Age: 44

Married: 22 years. Five children, one granddaughter.

**Interests:** playing the nose flute, hunting, hiking, fishing, and community affairs. **Education:** G.E.D. Aiea High School 1982, Leeward Community College one and a half years. **Volunteer work:** Hurricane Iwa: disaster volunteer, traffic control, Red Cross volunteer. **Wai'anae Neighborhood Board:** appointed by Neighborhood Commission 1986, elected 1987-89. Still attend regularly.

I have given testimonies at the state and city as well as numerous neighborhood meetings in regards to the preservation of our farming and fishing lifestyles here in Wai'anae, helped to acquire Mauna Lahilahi for park use. Helped in getting a sidewalk from the intersection of Wai'anae Valley Road to Pilila'au Playground. Testified at the State Capitol for more safety improvements like fencing around the storm culverts along Farrington Highway, reflectors on poles and trees, new stop lights. More will be needed. I am a man of action and willing to address all of our concerns as I have in my community.

Being a concerned parent involved in my community, I've watched the deterioration of our Hawaiian culture and way of life. Our historic and sacred areas are destroyed to make way for developments that exclude not only us, but also our many friends by being overpriced. Our

farmers are being denied land and water in favor of those developments. Denying us access to our heiaus, mountains and ocean resources rights that had been passed down from generation to generation. I began to ask myself what will happen to our children and their children if nothing is done to protect those rights for them now!

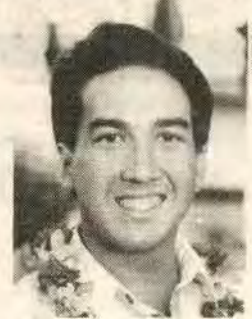
OHA is an important part of a system that allows us to redress all issues from the past, present, and our future. I also believe that OHA needs to communicate with all the Hawaiian groups and organizations to work together in harmony. I believe that we can accomplish these issues through legislation at the federal and state levels that will help to preserve those rights for all our 'ohana's to enjoy in the future! I am a man of action. I don't believe in "cannots", "do nots" or "no can", with your kokua and confidence. As your OHA representative I believe we will!

### Sam M. Peters, Jr.

No statement was received from candidate.

### Wilson (Manuwai) Peters

OHA must demonstrate strength and leadership to address many critical issues on behalf of Ka Po'e Hawai'i in the next few years. Its decisions today must be made with extreme caution, for the future of our Hawaiian people — our native entitlements and our role in the State — will depend on the actions



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- Upgrade Oahu's sewer system island wide
- Clean up Hawaii Kai's sewer system problems
- Provide recycling leadership and backs legislation
- Action to protect Mt. Olomana/Kailua wetlands
- Develop Kai'iwi Shoreline National Park project

### Relieving Property Taxes

"We won't stand for our people being taxed out of their homes."

- Introduced seven bills/resolutions for

property tax reform and reduction

- Introduced measures to regulate foreign purchases of residential property

### Guaranteeing Good Government

"Good government is open and accessible to all the people, so we can all have a say in shaping Hawaii's future."

- Supports initiative in the land use process

### Creating Affordable Housing

"Affordable housing is not just a problem—it's a crisis. We need to move faster to create more affordable homes now."

- Sponsored many affordable housing/elderly housing bills and budget allocations
- Sponsored condominium leasehold conversion legislation and supports control of lease rent increases

### Improving Traffic & Transportation

"The longer we take to act on the traffic problem, the slower traffic is going to move. Let's stop talking and get it done."

- Advocates rapid transit and transportation system management
- Accelerate Kalaniana'ole Highway widening
- Expedite Castle Junction Interchange improvements schedule with State DOT

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# OHA Candidate Profiles

## At-large candidate

of this agency as it responds to the mandate of the Hawaiian people. I am prepared to enable and ensure responsive Hawaiian leadership in OHA.

One important decision that faces the Hawaiian people is the use of revenues from the Ceded Lands settlement to address critical needs. OHA can help Hawaiians by putting them back on the land — giving them land and a home of their own to live in. More specifically, ceded land revenues could be directed to:

Develop a Master Plan for placement of all Hawaiians of 50% or more blood quantum upon Homestead lands within the next 10 years in conjunction with the DHHL, the State, and counties.

Develop infrastructure to enable Hawaiian Home Lands to settle Hawaiians on homestead lands.

Preserve, manage, and/or acquire Hawaiian historic sites.

Re-establish OHA's community development grant program and economic development program to support cultural and economic enter-

prises of Hawaiian individuals and organizations.

At the same time, OHA must provide maximum opportunities for the involvement and input of Hawaiian individuals and organizations in its decision-making. OHA's policies and actions must be sensitive to Hawaiian concerns which means that forums for input must be provided and supported statewide.

OHA must learn to stand on its own two feet and perform more independently of State government. OHA must have the courage and wisdom to assert itself on an equal par with the State administration and Legislature, to advocate on behalf of the Hawaiian people.

As a result, my priorities as a trustee of OHA would be to work for the following:

Involve more Hawaiian groups in the decision of OHA, including Hawaiian Homesteaders, Ka Lahui Hawai'i, the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana, among others.

Restore the credibility of OHA through policies that are sensitive to the input of Hawaiian individuals, organizations, and communities.

See that OHA is financially accountable to Hawaiians.

Promote a broad range of programs and funding assistance to Hawaiian individuals and organizations.

OHA trustees, and its administration officials, must be more accountable to the Hawaiian people they are meant to serve. It must provide opportunities for Hawaiian input in order to be responsive to Hawaiian concerns, to be more consistent in its policies and actions, and to rectify its current policy of accommodating non-Hawaiian interests at the expense of the Hawaiian people.

As an educated youth, I will bring new blood, new ideas, to OHA. I am a graduate student in Pacific Island Studies at the University of Hawai'i, I speak Hawaiian, I have been involved in Hawaiian issues and struggles, and I am ready and committed to Hawaiian community education and involvement, fiscal responsibility, and effective advocacy for Hawaiian issues and needs. Mahalo for your support.

Herbert N. Pratt



The most important issue facing Hawaiians in the next five years, is to place the Hawaiian people back on the land with the help of the State and Federal governments.

Steps I would take to address that issue:

1. Demand from both the federal and state governments to make restitutions to the Hawaiian people for the wrongs that they have caused.
2. And also to demand justice and democracy for all of its people.

Dennis Sallas (Bradda "D")



Native Hawaiian. Born and raised in Papakolea, Hawaiian Homestead land. Educated at Pauoa and Lincoln Elementary, Stevenson Intermediate, and Roosevelt High School. Attended Honolulu Business College, Glendale and Pasadena City College in Los Angeles and the University of Hawaii. In 1970-71, assisted in motivation classes at Roosevelt High School. Lectured on water safety and job opportunities for young juveniles at the Detention Home. Presently employed as a stevedore for McCabe, Hamilton and Renning, and the City and County Water Safety Division.

As an OHA trustee, I will pledge to inform the Hawaiian people on decisions that are made on their behalf by OHA, particularly involving issues such as the state's involvement, control, and conflict of interest. I will work only for the betterment of the Hawaiian people. I believe that Hawaiians should be self-governing and self-determining in the control of our lands, water, and natural resources. Assistance should be provided to Hawaiian children to provide the best educational programs possible, pre-school through college. Medical mobile units should be made available to provide medical services for Hawaiians. Jobs and housing will also be top priorities.

The most important issue facing Hawaiians in the next five years is the Hawaiians themselves. I can converse on education, health care, jobs, and housing, but these issues have been around for years. The credibility of those in office and those that seek election should be our main concern. Work brings profit, while talk brings apathy.

Too many times we listen to wolves in sheep's clothing. It's time for Hawaiians to listen to their hearts and na'au, and be independent, but at the

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## PLEASE ELECT CLAYTON HEE

OHA



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- Member, State Senate

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## At-large candidates

same time to have solidarity. OHA has to break away from the state in order to control its own destiny. We do not need non-Hawaiians' approval for our needs. We must stop being puppets. We cannot blame anyone but ourselves, for we are the voting people that put the "machine" into existence.

It's time to "dig up" that big keawe root and "re-plant." It's time for a change. Let's move with the times. Yet, let's not forget the past. I realize that our people are in great need of a leader with real abilities. As a Native Hawaiian, I best qualify for the position of Office of Hawaiian Affairs trustee-at-large.

I'm for the Hawaiians, with the Hawaiians, and about Hawaiians.

**Dawn Kahalaomapuana Wasson**

### Most important issue facing native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years:

Sovereignty. Achieve sovereignty and almost all other issues will fall into place.

### What steps would I take or what course would I follow to address that issue:

A first step is that I would support changing the very status of OHA to become a sovereign entity independent of the state government so that it in fact becomes the legal vehicle to bring about sovereignty. Specific steps: Work to bring this matter to a head within OHA, vote for it and get on with the related issues: ceded (stolen) lands and appropriate compensation therefore, for example.

College graduate: B.A. (Political Science), UH, Manoa

Work experience: State government, private enterprise, Alu Like, Social Service agencies, teaching.

Candidate for state-wide office, OHA Board.

Most recent accomplishment for Hawaiian people:

As president of Hui Malama 'Aina 'O Laie I have been responsible for successfully negotiating a

multi-million dollar out-of-court Clean Water Act settlement which includes the setting up of a \$2.25 million fund for the protection of the environment and for research and education related to Hawaiian cultural issues. This has been widely reported in the media — press, radio, television.

**Edwina Wong**

What do I think is the most important issue facing the Hawaiians in the next five years? Issues will fall into place, once we have installed in our children and ourselves that honesty is the only policy. Not deception, not money but honesty.

If we can create a solid and healthy foundation for ourselves and our children our future is destined to the utmost limits. If we can create an open, communicative, clean and honest relationship within our own family and then carry these attributes into our communities, city, state and federal government system, all our desires will be fulfilled. We must insist that government is for the people and by the people and we do not believe in double standards and that the means must justify the end results. That we are to be law-abiding citizens. That the law is black and white not gray.

I do support native Hawaiian sovereignty, being self-governing, controlling and managing their lands and revenues. It is un-American that the native Hawaiians are not given their right of self-determination to be economically self-sufficient as a nation and that their ceded lands are not returned to them.

Government is to create and establish laws and enforce the laws and amend them when needed, not break or bend the laws. That is why I believe



the state to be in violation of the 1959 Statehood Admissions Act by its failure to carry out its ceded land trust responsibility to native Hawaiians. Justice must prevail for the sake of our 'aina.

I believe Hawaiians have always been capable of self-governing and can still work (onipa'a) hand-in-hand with the city, state and federal governments. I would be an asset to OHA as a trustee-at-large to make this tie work for the betterment of all. I would be accountable to the Hawaiians.

It's time for effective, honest and committed leadership.

An excerpt from Patsy Mink with my changes: "I want to contribute my creativity, energy (my youth) and my realtor experiences to making Hawaii's sovereignty the shining example of what a government should be."

Elect me to defend our land, our beaches and endangered species of our state.

I do support:

— increasing the Kamehameha Schools educational facilities to include all Hawaiian children (I'm a '65 graduate).

— protecting and preserving all ancient Hawaiian trails, historic cultural and burial sites.

— prohibiting DHHL from general leasing to non-Hawaiians now and collecting back rent.

— a stop to development of golf courses on state-zoned agricultural or conservation land. Our public lands have been mismanaged, we don't want our ceded lands mismanaged too.

— a stop to all military use of Hawaiian Home lands and ceded lands.

— protecting all Hawaiian rainforests from development of all kinds.

— anti-abortion measures for if I didn't we would not have our adopted son. It is statistically proven that the Hawaiians are more inclined to keep their child than to abort.

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# OHA Candidate Profiles

## Maui residency candidates

Abraham (Chief) Aiona

**Education:** Waialae School, Hawaiian Mission Academy, University of Hawai'i (part-time while employed at Honolulu Police Department)

**Previous and current employment:** Self-employed consultant; Retired Maui police chief.

**Military Service:** World War II Veteran; U.S. Army paratrooper, 82nd Airborne Division.

**Political Experience:** Former five-term councilman, County of Maui (1977-1986), Resident of Kahului, Maui.

**Party Affiliation:** Democratic

**Community Organizational Activities:**

president, Maui Economic Opportunity; director, Maui Chamber of Commerce; director, Ka Lima O Maui; member, advisory board, Boy Scouts of America Maui Council (past president of council); Maui advisory board member, First Interstate Bank; treasurer, Maka'i Kokua (police support group); master and past master, Honolulu Lodge No. 409; Shriner, Aloha Temple; member, Veterans of Foreign Wars; member, Hawaiian Businessman/Professional Association; member, Central Maui Hawaiian Civic Club; member, Hawaiian Government Employees Association (since 1947).

**Response to Question:** There are five issues that need to be addressed by the OHA Trustees: education; economy and jobs; housing (consisting of single family units, apartments, seniors' housing, nursing homes, etc.); ceded lands and revenues.



It is abundantly clear that the OHA Trustees have the grave responsibility of developing plans to use such revenues and lands to better conditions of native Hawaiians and Hawaiians, for health and welfare programs to help Hawaiians live a better life, to provide comprehensive educational programs for our children and youth to stimulate intellect and development, and to reverse the decline of the Hawaiian people. In conclusion, I want to see education given a high priority simply because it is of paramount importance.

Manu Kahaialii

I think that education, which is the necessity of life itself, having stewardship over all things, is the most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years.

The course I will take to address that issue is economic planning. The dollar as we knew it before was worth one hundred pennies. Today it is worth 48 cents. In 1998 that same dollar will be worth between 24 and 18 cents. In 2000 it will be worth 12 cents at the rate money is going now. Providing a tuition package for Native Hawaiians who desire to pursue their education in this field of study will mean bringing back their expertise by which this culture can enrich, enhance, preserve, and cultivate a broader understanding of the world around us today.

Placing our people on land, which will restore their God-given dignity that they so richly deserve, will provide a legislative vehicle by which we can work in cohesive ways with the Hawaiian Services Institutions and Agencies, thus not duplicating services, resources, and moneys.

I will add that I have had four wonderful, beautiful, inspiring and challenging years of experience



in this office. All that I have done and learned was possible because there were Hawaiians who believed in me. Mahalo a nui loa for your trust and confidence for giving me this opportunity to serve you.

My aloha and dedication goes to all of you that have in some way touched my life both spiritually, physically, and mentally. My heart goes out to all the kupuna, and the homeless, to the young people who made the Aha 'Opio program a success, to our kupuna team who have given their time and efforts in meeting the demands of our responsibilities to the community and most of all my wife and family who have shared these four years. Me kealoha pumehana, Manu Kahaialii.

Clinton K. Makekau

I was born and raised on Maui, a Korean War veteran, married, with two children. I was a boarder at Lahainaluna High School, graduated from Baldwin High, attended Brigham Young University, Utah, and presently am a continuing education student at Maui Community College. I was in the trucking business both in Honolulu and Maui, and later, in the tourism activity business. I was a member of the Lahaina Hawaiian Civic Club, past president of Lahaina Lions Club, member of Ka Lahui Hawai'i, board member of the la Ola Kino Maika'i, Maui group, Native Hawaiian Health Act.

As we approach another important phase towards the betterment of the Hawaiians, there are so many things that we want for ourselves, our children, that the "wish list" is a long one.

The most important issue facing Native Hawaiians

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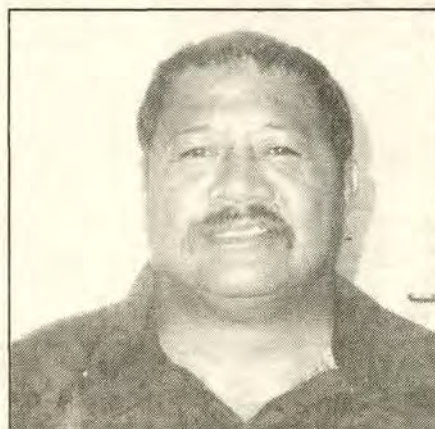
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# OHA Candidate Profiles

## Maui residency candidates

ans and OHA in the next five years is establishing sovereignty, self-determination, and self-sufficiency.

We must create an organizational structure for self-governance to allow the Hawaiian people to take part in the planning of their future.

We need to set goals and strong guidelines to fulfill the needs of our Hawaiian people and project future plans. We need to get the "best" we can.

To achieve self-sufficiency, we must operate as a business, be independent, and use all available resources. Going into businesses such as shopping centers, golf courses, light industrial centers, etc., we not only generate income, we create a job market and business opportunities for our Hawaiians.

Education is the key to self-sufficiency for Hawaiians of all ages. We need to encourage them to upgrade their education level, and in many cases, financially assist them in reaching their goals. Many adults with young families cannot afford the loss of income to continue their education because of the high cost of living. We need a program to supplement their income similar to the GI Bill on education.

We must educate ourselves through workshops to better understand governmental rules and regulations governing our lands, shorelines, water rights, historic and burial sites, etc. We must take active roles in what's happening to our 'aina and entire Hawaiian archipelago. We must protect and ensure that we leave a better place for our children and future generations. We must "watchdog" our 'aina from encroachment.

Hawaiians should be included in the allocation when state or ceded lands are being developed for affordable housing. For example, approximately 3,000 homes are planned on ceded lands in Lahaina by HFDC. Hawaiians should have 20% or 600 homes allocated. It costs approximately \$185,000 per family unit for infrastructure on Hawaiian lands alone. It costs less to place a Hawaiian family in an affordable housing project.

As your Maui trustee, I intend to take a more active advocacy role in the communities. I ask for your support and your vote.

Mahalo!

**Charles Kauluwehi Maxwell Sr.**

I have been directly involved with Hawaiian issues for the past 18 years. I was one of the forefathers of the Hawaiian movement, having started the reparations movement and the Kaho'olawe movement. I was recently involved with others in stopping the disinterment of ancient Hawaiian remains at Honokahua and returning ancient remains from the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C., to Hawai'i.

I am presently the vice-chair of the state's advisory committee to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission. I chaired the committee that came forth with the document, "Breach of Trust," which pointed out that all the executive orders from past governors which took away Hawaiian Homes Land, were found to be illegal, and the state had to return land or pay OHA for the use of the land.

OHA has been in existence for 10 years, however it has not been used for what it was created.

The Hawaiian culture is so fragile that everything pertaining to it should be preserved because it originates only in Hawai'i. When Hawaiian pre-schools and hula halau have to constantly raise

money to teach the culture something is wrong. OHA should either fund these programs or seek funding for such an important function to our culture.

OHA should be involved in all areas of the government as it relates to the Native Hawaiian. Presently our people are falling through the cracks of government through lack of understanding how government works. The island centers, set up for this purpose have not fulfilled these needs. OHA should seek means to assist Native Hawaiians with their needs in higher education, affordable housing and job placement. Because OHA receives funding from Sec. 5(f) of the Statehood Act, and moneys received are earmarked for recipients of the Hawaiian Homes Act, it should work with the Hawaiian Homes Commission to reduce the waiting list and place the Native Hawaiian on the land where they belong.

The most important issue facing Hawaiians in the next five years is to work for recognition from the state and federal government that we are a sovereign nation, and as descendants of the host culture, we have prior rights that no other group in Hawai'i has. As an OHA trustee I would insist that

we as representatives of our people fight to re-establish these rights, as they pertain to culture, land, water, social issues, housing, ecology and protection of the Hawaiian and his lifestyle as it relates to the land and the sea. With moneys coming from the Statehood Act, and if it is used wisely, OHA can be the "third government" that it was meant to be. Maybe then we will have unity among us and be included in the destiny of Hawai'i.

## O'ahu residency candidates

**Clarence F. T. Ching**

**Community activities:** Hui Hanai, Life of the Land, Initiative Committee Hawaii, Legal Aid Society, Native Hawaiian Legal Corp., Nuuanu/Punchbowl Neighborhood Board No.12, Pauoa Community Association, Hawaii's Thousand Friends.

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### ☒ Abraham Aiona MAUI TRUSTEE

- ★ Raised on the Papakolea Hawaiian Homestead.
- ★ WW II Veteran-U.S. Army Paratrooper
- ★ Consultant- Baldwin Pacific Corp.
- ★ Self employed as Consultant in Community Relations and Government Affairs.

#### SERVED AS:

- ★ Chief Maui Police Dept. - 6 year
- ★ Councilman, Maui-Moloka County Council (5 terms)
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### ☒ Josiah Black Hoohuli OAHU TRUSTEE

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- ★ Served the U.S. Marine Corp.

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- ★ Vice President - Nanakuli Hawaiian Homestead Community Association



### ☒ Bob Freitas AT LARGE TRUSTEE

- ★ Resident of Papakolea Hawaiian Homestead since 1948.
- ★ U. S. Marine Corps
- ★ 1990 Official lobbyist for SCHHA, obtained \$50 million for infrastructure.

#### EMPLOYMENT:

- ★ State Dept. of Transportation, Harbors Division.
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### ☒ Kamaki A. Kanahele AT LARGE TRUSTEE

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- ★ Served as Administrator for the State Office of Hawaiian Affairs.
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- ★ Businessman and Educator



### ☒ Arthur Foster Kepoo AT LARGE TRUSTEE

- ★ Hawaiian Homestead resident of Kuhio Village in Waimea.
- ★ Retired Capt. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- ★ Won legal rights for Native Hawaiians to view OHA's records.

#### SERVED AS:

- ★ Investigator for the State Attorney General's Office.
- ★ Security officer for the State of Hawaii
- ★ Kupuna - Hawaiian Language Studies for State Dept. of Education.
- ★ President - Community Gardens Parks & Recreation, City & County of Honolulu for 4 years.



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# OHA Candidate Profiles

## O'ahu residency candidates

**Education:** Kamehameha Schools; B.S. (chemistry/zoology) BYU; J.D. (law) University of Idaho.

**Vocations:** attorney; scientist; stockbroker; businessman; preservationist; filmmaker; writer.



The priority issues facing OHA and Hawaiians in the next five years include housing, health, education, self-determination and self-government, single definition, DHHL.

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7. Hawaiian Job Corps — To assist in all phases of housing, especially elderly housing. Obtain marketable skills.

I believe that OHA, through quality trustee leadership, is the best mechanism available to achieve our utmost Hawaiian destiny. OHA's progress in its first decade proves that the Hawaiian community can work together towards its common goals. A conscientious, up-to-date Hawaiian community is OHA's base. As resources materialize, OHA trustees must find the best formula to meet the prioritized needs of all Hawaiians.

An ideal OHA trustee should have qualities and skills that encompass:

1. Law: I am a law school graduate and attorney for 14 years.

2. Business and finance: I have 38 semester hours toward an MBA degree; have had a law office for 14 years, a collection agency for five years, been a stockbroker for three years and practiced business law.

3. Hawaiian culture: I support Hawaiian language, music and dance, have protected Hawaiian sites (I had Kaniakapupu and Kawa'ewa'e Heiau placed on State Register as founder/chair of Malama Kaniakapupu); I have protected Hawaiian flora and fauna (I founded Uluhaimalama Native Hawaiian Plant Society and sponsored bills to outlaw drift gillnets); I have helped protect Hawaiian birds and forests; I created "The 'Aina Remains," a video of the recreated Uluhaimalama planting ceremony and have been co-host of KCCN 'Ohana Show for 10 years as well as our family genealogist.

4. Education: I hold a doctorate level degree and 16 semester hours toward a teaching certificate; I was also a USAF tactical instructor and swimming instructor.

5. Government: I have testified at numerous county, state and federal hearings; led the state initiative movement; was a Charter Action Committee chair (opposed proposed 1978 Honolulu City Charter amendments); and initiated numerous state bills (including the Kuleana Escheat Law).

6. OHA: I have been trustee for four years;

Operations and Development committee chair; a member of all standing committees and most ad hoc committees; established the Status and Entitlements committee; and have the best attendance at all OHA meetings.

My education, training and experience provide excellent tools for making the pivotal decisions impacting OHA's substantial future with tens of millions of dollars of present and future resources, carrying Hawaiians to our utmost destiny.

Re-elect Clarence Ching.

Clayton Hee

I am seeking the privilege of serving you as the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Trustee from the island of O'ahu.

I have dedicated my professional life to public service; most recently, as a member and chairman of the State Senate Judiciary Committee, serving Hawai'i from 1984 to 1988. As a senator, one of my proudest achievements was to finally set into law the "Hawaiian Right to Sue" legislation which now establishes the right of all Hawaiians and Hawaiian organizations to seek legal redress and remedy for past wrongs to Hawaiian people.

One of the best examples of said wrongs I believe is the Hawaiian Home Lands program, where many of our people have died on the waiting list. With the "Hawaiian Right to Sue" law we will not be able to seek that right through the judicial process. I ought to know, for I have been on the waiting list for 16 years. The irony, of course, is that at one time, all of Hawai'i belonged to our people.

I also served as a member of the House of Representatives serving the islands of Moloka'i, Maui and Lana'i from 1982 until 1984. As the vice-chairman of the House Education Committee in 1983 and 1984, I helped to shape and establish the highly successful Punana Leo program, a Hawaiian language "immersion" pre-school program where our youngsters learn and communicate entirely in 'our mother tongue,' the Hawaiian lan-



guage. With a growing enrollment and waiting list Punana Leo is without question, one of the most successful education programs ever established for our people.

As a former school teacher I taught the Hawaiian language to every public school student on Moloka'i from grades kindergarten through seven in 1981. I also taught Hawaiian language in the Maui Community College Extension program, at Windward School for Adults at the Kalaheo High School Campus, and at the summer Kamehameha Schools Explorations Program. I firmly believe that the life of our people is grounded in our native language.

This belief was established when I was a young child. Both my grandparents spoke Hawaiian to us and my education at the Kamehameha Schools where I served as the student body president in 1970 - 1971 encouraged us never to forget our past.

In 1991 the most important issue we will face is how to utilize those resources which, by a law established while I was a senator, will be paid to OHA. These resources which are estimated to be \$100 million will assist us in areas such as housing, education, health and the preservation of our past.

I will commit myself to the utilization of these resources through the establishment of an economic development policy within OHA which will help us make the best decisions on revenue raising to continue and set forth a path toward these important issues.

I humbly ask for your vote to continue to serve you. Mahalo.

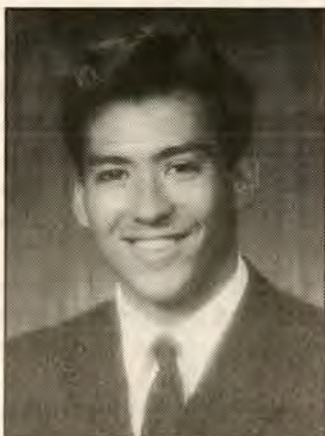
Josiah Hoohuli

My four major campaign issues are native Hawaiian rights, lands, health and education:

In the area of native Hawaiian rights, I would like to develop concise and clear policies defining the rights of natives to utilize the natural resources of our lands; and to lay claims to mineral



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## David Fasi

Board of Education, at large

- Lincoln Elementary School
- Iolani School - graduated with honors
- Harvard University - graduated with honors in economics
- UCLA, Graduate School of Business - Masters in Business Administration
- UH School of Law - current student

David has taught English to immigrant children, counselled emotionally-disturbed youngsters and coordinated a program to help low-income and minority students enter professional graduate schools.

At Harvard, he was a two-year captain of the varsity water polo team, set the all-time season and career scoring records, and was a U.S. Olympic Festival gold medalist. In Hawaii, the former All-American coaches and officiates water polo matches at our local high schools.

David Fasi

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David F. Fasi

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# OHA Candidate Profiles

## O'ahu residency candidates

rights and the use of our waters.

I will work very hard to have OHA include Hawaiian Home Lands into its budget; assisting with infrastructure, housing as well as with economic development. Consequently, as Economic Development Chairman for the State Council of Hawaiian Homestead Associations, I have been meeting with other homesteaders throughout the State in creating a proposal for more state and federal funding or grants.

Concerning ceded lands, the settlement between the State and OHA was not a big plus for native Hawaiians mainly because the beneficiaries should receive at least 50% of all proceeds and revenues from these lands and not just 20%, which was the agreed amount.

In the area of health, I recommend that native Hawaiians be given 100% free medical coverage especially since statistics show that native Hawaiians have the highest rates of health problems among ethnic groups in the State.

With education, I am committed to having OHA provide 100% funding to native Hawaiians who would like to pursue their education.

Because the statistics also prove that native Hawaiians are the least educated ethnic group in the State, I feel very strongly about providing funds for Hawaiians to educate themselves in the highest standards possible.

Within five (5) years, the crucial issue facing native Hawaiians will be whether or not OHA has the ability to manage and administer the assets and funds of the native Hawaiians and their beneficiaries. That is why the election of each trustee is important.

I feel well prepared to represent the concerns of the Hawaiian people as an O'ahu Trustee for OHA.

The Friends of Black Hoohuli headquarters is located at 89-639 Nanakuli Ave., Ph. 668-2833. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

**Lela Hubbard**

The era of Hawaiian pride as epitomized in our Hawaiian nation has begun. All the hurts and wrongs to us have given us the strength to fight for our Hawaiian rights, for our Hawaiian nation.

To achieve our Hawaiian nation and to assert our rights, the major issues for Hawaiians in the next five years, our goals need to be clearly understood. As a symbol of pride and unity, our local and national leaders can help us establish our Hawaiian Cultural Center at Bellows Field. Practically, the cottages there will house 500 of our homeless Hawaiians until homes can be built for them, homes that will mean stability for our Hawaiian families.

With ideas from you, OHA can develop viable uses for land: elderly housing where our kupuna can laugh and talk in gorgeous surroundings, soothed by the ocean whispers; a culinary arts school; office building; guest cottages for neighbor island families on O'ahu for medical services and visiting native dignitaries.

Equally important, OHA must lead in the upgrading of education in Hawai'i in the public school system with emphasis on sensitivity to Hawaiian culture and values and the fulfillment of the needs of kanaka maoli as well as an inclusion of vocational and business training at the Kamehameha Schools on O'ahu and magnet satellites for our Hawaiian children on all islands.

Summer schools should include programs

where our children can gain pride in their culture and arts as well as programs where they can earn and learn in businesses which they create and operate.

OHA must develop a strong economic base for our nation, fostering business and industry. OHA should enlist the support of Hawaiian business experts to hone business acumen. Critical to the formation of our government is that the model be one from Hawaiians. OHA should fund presentations of the various Hawaiian sovereignty groups and invite other native peoples to share their ideas. Ultimately, our Hawaiian Congress will write our Hawaiian Constitution. Hawaiians are thoroughly qualified to control our assets and our destiny.

As your OHA trustee I will use all of my experience to serve you: **Education:** St. Andrew's Priory, where I was on scholarship, member of the National Honor Society, class president in 1954, and songleader in 1955; University of Hawaii majoring in history and political science; San Diego State College, B.A. in history and general secondary credential in English. **Work experience:** librarian in San Diego and Halawa High Security Facility; teacher; project developer; owner of several businesses, co-producer of Grassroots Radio Report. **Activities:** lobbyist for Hawaiian rights via testimony against detrimental legislation, letters to the media and politicians, calls locally and to Washington, D.C.; member of Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu, Ka Pakaukau, Ka Lahui Hawai'i and the Aloha 'Aina Action Congress which works to preserve our 'aina.

Most of all, I will use your ideas and suggestions to guide me. I care. I dare.

**Enoch N. Kaina ("Enoka")**

Welina Ke Aloha!

I am running for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs because I strongly believe in OHA. OHA is for every Hawaiian. OHA represents the future and hope for us. Let us forge a new relationship among the individual, the 'ohana and the lahui which can better illuminate and fulfill the promises of OHA. I see OHA as the kino (body), the Trustees as the na'au, and us, ka po'e as the ha (breath) of life for that body.

We must look for responsible leadership; but when we have chosen that leadership we ought not to forget our own responsibility of supporting that leadership. I believe that once we fully understand our responsibility of being the breath, the ha, we can begin to heal ourselves, our 'ohana, and our people. When the lahui is healed, the 'aina is much more blessed in revealing all of its mana for man's benefit. I want to be a part of that process by being part of the na'au whose body can better serve the people.

My professional career included police work, social work, real estate and health. I graduated from the Kamehameha Schools, class of 1960. After being wounded in the line of duty while on the police force, I earned degrees in social work from Brigham Young University and law from the University of Hawaii School of Law. My legislative experience includes serving in Washington, D.C. as a legislative aide to a U.S. Congressman. I am an educator in the culture and arts. I have studied and am presently licensed to practice the art of lomilomi. Throughout my professional and personal life, the one value I have held closest to my heart has been my Hawaiianess; values of well-being in the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual contexts being next. Based on these values, I have chosen to dedicate my skills to healing. I believe that to fully contribute to one's community, one should seek to be healthy in body, mind, heart and spirit.

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## O'ahu residency candidates

Although the yesterdays are gone, we find ourselves in a new and different world. The mind and the heart of yesterday and of today are one and the same. I believe in myself. I believe in my abilities. I believe that I can help in engendering the healing spirit to make the kīno, the na'au and the ha a strong force for us in the community. I can offer my vision and experiences of both worlds. Let us heal the nation. E ho'ola i ka lahui Hawai'i!

### Kunani Nihipali

#### Native Rights through Sovereignty

People have held key positions in government and policy-making that directly affect the welfare of our Hawaiian people and their 'aina... our land and its resources. It is the 'aina that has provided us not only with a place to stand on, but has given us food, shelter and medicine. Actually it is the 'aina that has created a unique culture and race... The Hawaiians... E Hawai'i Au!

The Hawaiian people have been the victim of a less obvious form of prejudice... cultural racism. Its most obvious form is the assumption that the ha'ole culture, lifestyles and values are superior and normal which makes ours exotic, disposable and abnormal. For centuries the native peoples were no more than footnotes and irrelevant to American history. Except for a few pages on American history, unwritten history of native peoples are not even worth studying. Somehow non-Hawaiians tend to think that the native peoples' history ended with their "discovery" and that we get classified according to their periods of history.

Our centuries-long clash has created enduring stereotypes that have translated into racist policies and attitudes, often with the assumption that we have nothing to offer mainstream American history.

The fact is, the continuity of our culture is more important than the change.

Beginning with Pele, the Hawaiian people continue to exist today as they have for thousands of years. We are a reflection of our history and events. We are continuing the dreams that our kupuna before have inspired us with.

#### Ho'opono!

We must first recognize our inherent native Hawaiian rights. We must practice those rights... daily. The rights to our resources, the rights to practice our culture, the rights to be consulted, the rights to live, breath and die with the inspirations of our kupuna... from birth to *make!* A feeling, that just to be Hawaiian is inspirational and feels good. A right that once was so natural... a right that we would never doubt our race again!

We have realized that society is like the finest mats of makaloa that reflects a *lokahi*, a bringing together, a blending of *mana*, the life source of *ka po'e Hawai'i*.

We Hawaiians must create positive and real changes. Huli'au! Real change cannot come from intellectual or academic exercises nor out of a barrel of a gun. Governmental action is paramount in creating these changes to create the facilities and environment for maintaining our Hawaiian cultural practices. Conformity is not equality... being different is. We don't have an illusion that we can return to the past, but do believe that with realistic adjustments, we can return our cultural ways and still have the economic benefits we obviously need.

Our Hawaiian people have suffered the most. Their health, social and economic statistics prove that. Our culture has been threatened and adulterated and our sacred sites have been left to

ruin and intruded upon with development. In short, the spiritual health of the Hawaiian people has declined detrimentally. Hawai'i would be better off as a sovereign nation once again. Nothing less would suffice.

*Ku Kanaka!*

### Charles Y. Tanouye, Jr.

**Education:** Maryknoll, Waiahole and Kahaluu Elementary Schools, Castle High School, Kapiolani Community College, University of Hawai'i.

**Military service:** U.S. Army 1973-1976, Vietnam era veteran, Hawai'i National Guard 1977-78 Army, presently active, Hawai'i National Guard Army 29th infantry brigade headquarters company.

**Honors/awards:** AAU second place boxing award, U.S. Army National Defense medal, Korea service ribbon, first Native Hawaiian parachutist in Korea to win first, second and third place medals.

**Community service:** 1964—volunteer for American Cancer Society, 1988—volunteer assistant instructor for Ironworkers Union at Honolulu Community College welding shop.

**Work experience:** newspaper boy, service station attendant, security guard, U.S. Army, Dillingham Shipyard laborer, sandblaster, diver, welder I, assistant foreman, welding shop union steward, Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard assistant sandblasting instructor; 1984—present: farmer, construction contractor, Ironworkers Union, Welder I; P&C Hauling and Services, dump truck hauling, excavation, heavy equipment operator, yard maintenance.

I'm committed and determined to improve and advance the native Hawaiians' present and future lifestyle, without compromising our cultural integrity. We as Hawaiians now have the resources and opportunity through OHA to achieve our goals.

Education and training for adults as well as our children to ensure a secure future cannot be neglected. Community child care centers for our working Hawaiians, financial and medical assistance to accommodate our growing communities, and the special needs of our elders are all priorities that can no longer be neglected. Our young people



who have been seduced and possessed by alcohol and drugs, must be salvaged and restored to us, through our own spiritual science.

Affordable homes and home financing assistance for native Hawaiians and our children are long overdue. I'm committed to the Homestead infrastructure. The homestead community needs—financing through home-land equity, roads and road improvements, sidewalks and utilities — are way overdue and must be addressed now!

As a native son of the 'Aina, it would be an honor to serve all native Hawaiians. I have the experience, the knowledge, and the heart to accomplish our goals. I need your *kokua*. On Nov. 6, 1990, please vote, and vote for me, Charles Y. Tanouye.

To help its readers know where candidates stand on Hawaiian and other issues, Ka Wai Ola O OHA invited all candidates in federal and state races to submit a 500-word statement to voters on any issue of their choice, and to address two questions: "What do you think is the most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years?" And "What steps would you take, or what course would you follow to address that issue?"

All candidates received follow-up calls to ensure their opportunity to participate in this election issue.

Mahalo to candidates who were able to submit their statements. Opinions expressed are their own and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs or its Board of Trustees.

Due to lack of space, Ka Wai Ola was unable to run statements from candidate for county and Board of Education races.

Statements of OHA, federal and state candidate follow.



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# Federal Candidate Profiles

## U.S. Senate

**Daniel K. Akaka (D)**

As the first Native Hawaiian U.S. Senator, I know the hardship many Hawaiians have faced for generations, and I am working to help them meet their needs.

I have introduced legislation to bring about a greater federal commitment to Hawaiians by establishing a trust relationship between Native Hawaiians and the federal government. As the original inhabitants of Hawai'i, Hawaiians should be recognized as a unique class of citizens by the U.S. government. Presently, the federal government recognizes its responsibility to provide special resources for other Native Americans but does not recognize its responsibility to Native Hawaiians.

My legislation would open the way to greater resources for Hawaiian health, education and housing. These programs need to allow for the nurturing of our cultural tradition and philosophical views which contribute to our overall well-being. Native Hawaiians need programs that enable them to excel in today's society, and at the same time know and appreciate their culture and heritage.

In regard to Hawaiian Home Lands, building infrastructure and improvements should be a joint effort between the State of Hawai'i and the United States Government. I have introduced legislation to make Hawaiian Home Lands eligible for Community Development Block Grant infrastructure funds, and to make lessee farmers eligible for Farmer's Home Administration loans and eligible for the Agricultural Conservation cost-sharing program for purchasing water meters and irrigation pipes.

I will continue to work for the return of lands ceded from the Kingdom of Hawai'i through the U.S. annexation in 1898. Some of the land that the federal government retained has become surplus. I have prevented the federal government from selling these lands to the highest bidder by requiring that they be returned to the state through negotiated bids. Hawaiians have a right to benefit from these lands. I also believe Hawaiians have rights to fresh water access, access to cultural and historic areas, and to trails and the shoreline.

To conclude, today, there are many separate organizations dedicated to helping Native Hawaiians. I believe that leaders from all the various organizations should meet under one roof and put their heads together to direct their diverse resources in a unified and planned program for the maximum benefit of the Hawaiian people. As a U.S. Senator, I would like to help bring about such a conference — to help create a brighter future for Hawaiians and our state as a whole.

**Pat Saiiki (R)**

Hawai'i and our nation have reached an important crossroads at this time, and our islands and our people are being challenged anew everyday.

Our needs are similar to the nation's, yet the approach we must take to address them is unique.

Environmentally, our Pacific islands deserve every concentrated amount of attention, for without a clean environment, our people will suffer.

Educationally, for Hawai'i and our nation to



compete internationally in the 21st century, our children must have every possible educational advantage. It is our duty to provide that advantage.

Specifically regarding Native Hawaiians, for far too long they have not been adequately served at the state or federal levels.

The commitment to Native Hawaiians, particularly with regard to the Hawaiian Homelands program, has simply not been met. I view the unfulfilled promise of housing for Native Hawaiians as one of the greatest shortcomings of government policy over the last few decades.

We have a local and national duty to provide Hawaiians the means to use their lands and establish homes for their families and their descendants.

For that reason, and with great satisfaction, I shepherded legislation through the House of Representatives this year which will make available the full use of federal funds for Native Hawaiian families.

This legislation, when enacted into law, will provide for elderly housing funds, mortgage assistance, building and operational support for public housing, and infrastructure development for Hawaiian Home Lands.

My amendments in the overall housing legislation will reverse a decades-old policy of excluding Hawaiians from federal housing assistance programs.

Native Hawaiians will now become eligible for all federal housing assistance programs, and will be able to compete for community development funds to establish the infrastructure which is necessary to create Home Lands housing.

Hawai'i receives more than \$15 million annually for these purposes, some of which will be available for Home Lands use upon the enactment of this legislation.

In addition, I have continually supported efforts in the Congress to assist Native Hawaiians by creating and funding education and health care programs specifically for Hawaiians. I led the successful fight in the House to defeat an attempt to cut \$6 million in education funds for Hawaiians.

Whether the issue is geothermal energy, housing, education or the use of Kaho'olawe by the military, I have been accessible to Hawaiians and have fought for their best interests.

As a state legislator for 14 years, and a two-term member of Congress, I have helped shape a better Hawai'i and a better nation for Hawaiians and for all Hawai'i.

Every vote I have cast in the Congress has been cast with Hawai'i's people and the nation's welfare in mind.

If elected to the U.S. Senate, I will continue my commitment to the people of Hawai'i that my votes on the floor of the U.S. Senate will be cast with their welfare in mind, and with our nation's future at stake.

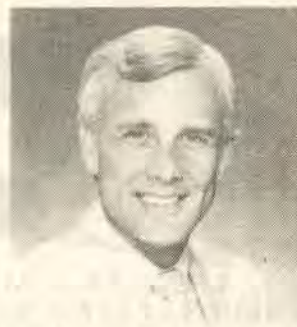
I will do so with an independent, open mind, and with every effort to make my presence in Washington meaningful and respected.

Hawai'i deserves the best representation we can provide, and I intend to provide that kind of leadership.

**Ken Schoolland (L)**

Land that belongs to Hawaiians should be returned to them immediately, fee simple and with no strings attached. No paternalistic state agency should interfere with the ownership and use of that land by Hawaiians.

Hawaiians must be allowed to sue in national and international courts for their lands and for just



\*Denotes incumbent (L) Libertarian  
(R) Republican (N) Nonpartisan  
(D) Democrat

compensation for revenues denied them. If such abuses are to be prevented in the future, then political and government officials must be held personally liable for the denial of Hawaiian rights.

Hawaiian lands that were "traded-off" to private interests against the desires of the Hawaiian people must be returned, just as is proper in any case of the recovery of stolen property.

Hawaiians who choose to secede have the same right to do so as those who signed the Declaration of Independence. They should not be impeded from doing so. However, I urge those who choose independence to do so on the basis of individual sovereignty rather than to simply replace old rulers with new rulers over their lives.

## U.S. House

**1st Congressional Dist. (Urban Honolulu)**  
**Neil Abercrombie (D)**

**What do you think are the most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years?**

Land, housing, health care and education.

**What steps would you take, or what course would you follow to address that issue?**

First, study the inventory of all Hawaiian lands on all islands; review the list of applicants; length of time on list; and update qualified and interested applicants together with the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

Second, form committees to move the infrastructure and building of homes; help to establish a low interest loan fund according to qualifications; and set goals to let Hawaiians manage their own lands.

Third, with revenues from rentals of Hawaiian Home Lands, establish health care clinics within the homestead areas or designated points throughout the Hawaiian Islands; establish non-profit health care program; and look to obtain federal funding wherever possible.

Fourth, establish funds for higher education with moneys derived from revenues.

**Mike Liu (R)**

The most important issue facing Native Hawaiians is the lack of action by the state and federal governments to make housing and economic opportunities a reality for them. Valuable lands have been ceded to Native Hawaiians for housing or agricultural development. However, state and federal governments have failed to provide Native Hawaiians real access and benefits from these resources.

The state government has poorly managed these resources by not requiring the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to provide the infrastructure needed for these lands to be usable for family homes and farms. It is unconscionable that in the last three years, fewer than 200 homes have been built on these lands. People have been waiting for 20 years to be granted land to use for ranching or small farms.

The federal government has not provided real financial assistance to Native Hawaiians to make homes on homelands happen. Recently, Rep. Pat Saiiki fought for a change in the law to provide community block grants to Native Hawaiians for

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housing development and other community needs.

This is the kind of action that must be continued on behalf of Native Hawaiians. The federal government should establish performance standards for agencies such as the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. Specific numbers of homes, roads and water and sewage systems should be put in place in a given time frame by state departments such as DHHL.

I would fight to make sure that Hawaiians get the full benefit of community development grants. I would work to establish and enhance Head Start programs for Native Hawaiian children and make sure that Native Hawaiians are considered if the proposed "Follow Through" program — an elementary school supplement to Head Start — is funded. I will make sure that any programs which encourage economic self-sufficiency for low-income groups provide opportunities for Native Hawaiians as well.

I will work closely with Hawaiian organizations that want to qualify for grants under the federal omnibus housing bill that should be passed later this year. Department of Housing and Urban Development officials assure me that they will put the Omnibus Housing Act on a fast-track once it becomes law.

### Roger Lee Taylor (L)

Roger Taylor is a professional mathematician and the Libertarian candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives District (1). Dr. Taylor's motivation to run is his concern that each person's individuality is being challenged by the crippling



size of government and the wasteful habits of its many bureaucracies. He has a personal desire to live in a world that permits a maximized synergistic and symbiotic relationship to exist between the individual and society.

Using his political and mathematical skills he proposed to trim the size of the government, and deficit spending, and discontinue special interest subsidies. In order to make the world more peaceful he sees the need to cut military spending, discourage military intervention, and create voluntarily funded diplomatic scholarships for students willing to study foreign languages and cultures on location overseas.

He will work toward reducing involuntarily paid income taxes to zero, replacing them with a voluntary tax and user fee system. Meanwhile, he will make the present system more directly responsive to the individual taxpayer's desires by allowing each person to designate areas where they want 50 percent of their tax money spent (such as social services for the elderly, education, environmental protection, OHA, etc.). Then specific categories will be designated where the other 50 percent of their tax money cannot be spent (such as tobacco subsidies, weapons research, government programs better handled by private industry, and so on).

Roger Taylor is a strong supporter of personal sovereignty and he supports the right of Native Hawaiians to have access to their native lands. People of Hawaiian extra tion should have the right to use their native land for housing and for other economic benefit.

### 2nd Congressional Dist. (Neighbor islands) Lloyd Jeffrey Mallan (L)

The most pressing issues facing the Hawaiian community in the next five years are the same issues facing Hawaiians since 1893, when the United States government, under President McKinley, seized the Sovereign Kingdom of Hawai'i: the erosion of Hawaiian culture, religion and removal of lands. The promises made to the Hawaiian people after Annexation have been bountiful, but delivery on those promises by government has been sparse.

The Hawai'i State government seems to have no compunction about trading ceded lands for Campbell Estate lands to build a geothermal plant, in spite of protests of many Hawaiians who see building such wells as a disgrace to Pele and the religious rights and feelings of the Hawaiians.

Little consideration is given to sites of Hawaiian burial grounds in the way of freeways, hotels or whatever is deemed progress. The federal government doesn't mind planting military bases and housing wherever it wants, while disregarding the burgeoning homeless situation.

In short, what we see is forced growth, lower incomes, fewer jobs and higher rents, along with the continued alienation and disenfranchisement of the Hawaiian people.

As a congressman, I would demand that all Hawaiian Homelands be returned to their rightful owners with all due speed. If bureaucracy continues I would support the complete sovereignty of Hawai'i and the growing Hawai'i nationhood movement. If sovereignty would mean secession from the United States, I would support that too. In that way, the Hawaiian people would decide what should be done with their own lands and culture.

Another solution would be to allow ceded and occupied Hawaiian lands to be sold on the open market, while native Hawaiians would make the first bid. Also, Hawaiians with proper title to the lands would have their properties returned. The price of the land would likely become more affordable because if government released lands they now hold it would be less expensive because of the "law of supply and demand."

As a congressman, I would take all measures necessary to protect the 'aina, property, religious and civil rights of all Hawaiians. Fishing rights must not continue to be given to private interests or the state to build parks for tourists or the public at large such has been done at South Point in Ka'u.

The military must stop using Kaho'olawe as a bombing site and return the land to the indigenous people. With the return of the land just compensation must be made to restore the 'aina to its natural habitat.

I believe similar measures should be taken with the other islands in the South Pacific, which the United States government has destroyed. I do not endorse the storage of nuclear waste, Agent Orange and poison chemical weapons at Johnston Atoll. Johnston Atoll is not as remote as people think. It is in the middle of changing currents which feed the north and south Pacific.

America and Hawai'i must consider policies at the bottom of their heritages: bonding, not bondage, inclusion, not exclusion. America must reaffirm the meaning of its constitution and be a beacon of light in the world.



### Patsy T. Mink (D)

It is heartening to witness OHA's growing presence in our community, its commitment to the betterment of the Hawaiian race, and the increasing role of OHA in our political process.

I believe my record in public service has continually demonstrated a concern for the issues most dear to Native Hawaiians, including the return of Kaho'olawe, saving the rain forests of the Big Island and the designation of threatened ancient Hawaiian sites as National Historic Parks.

The most pressing issue facing Native Hawaiians today, however, is the full and lawful administration of the Hawaiian Homestead Act and a more vigorous provision of homes and homesites to the people.

Related to this situation, I have been investigating the legality and possibility of extending what is now a seven-year suspension of local real estate taxes assessed on any new occupant's houselot from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

As Ka Wai Ola O OHA readers know, the annual rent for a houselot on homestead lands is \$1 a year. In other words, the counties accept the State's jurisdiction that these lands are made available to Native Hawaiians and carried on the books within completely different financial parameters than normal, to conform to the Act's intent.

It is upon this principle that I believe there is room to seek permanent relief from local real estate taxes for Hawaiians, since the homesites are rented at \$1 a year not just for the first seven years, but throughout the period of occupancy by a qualified family.

Taken to its logical conclusion then, Native Hawaiian families would pay only that portion of their real estate taxes that apply to improvements to the land, that is the home and other structures built on the land, and not any assessment on the land itself.

Obviously the federal, state and county governments have overlooked the logic of this issue, as they have failed to conscientiously pursue the so many other specific goals and intents of the Act.

As a member of Congress I fully intend to investigate the above matter further and to call upon all concerned agencies as well as OHA to achieve this just avenue of relief from a very significant expense for Hawaiian Homestead beneficiaries.

### Andy Poepoe (R)

My name is Andrew Keli'ikuniaupuni Poepoe, and I am the Republican nominee for Congress in Hawaii's second congressional district, which includes rural O'ahu and all neighbor islands. I am the son of the Reverend Abraham Poaiki Poepoe and the grandson of the Reverend Henry Poepoe, long-time pastor of Kaimakapili Church. I was raised on the Big Island, and am a graduate of Kamehameha Schools. I received a BA from Yale University and an MBA from the University of Hawaii. I served in the Hawai'i House of Representatives from 1966 to 1978, and also served a term on the Honolulu City Council from 1978 to 1982.

I believe that the greatest issue facing our Hawaiian community is the need to develop a sense of unity. We have been divided in the past, and our division has helped those opposed to fair treatment for Hawaiians. Our opponents have been able to point to us as being unable to solve



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our own problems, and hence in need of a solution imposed from above.

I do not agree with this point of view, and am confident that the Hawaiian community can solve its problems together. My family and my campaigns have always had ho'oponopono as a centerpiece of our management. I am a strong believer in the power of this ancient ritual to bring out all viewpoints, to right past wrongs and prevent future mistakes, and to unify the group towards a common solution. Only through working out our differences, recognizing the legitimacy of other viewpoints, and agreeing to compromise on short-term principles in order to achieve long-term goals can Hawaiians truly advance.

Throughout my life, I've spent a lot of time thinking about my status as a native Hawaiian and my status as an American citizen, and how these two conflict and complement each other. I am proud to be an American because I have the freedom to pursue my own individual happiness. But I am even prouder to be a Hawaiian because my "Hawaiian-ness" gives me an obligation to be concerned about the happiness and well-being of the special and unique community of Hawai'i.

It will be a great honor to serve as your Hawaiian representative in the United States Congress. You can bet that I will carry that burden proudly in the halls of the U.S. Capitol, and will work hard to further the advancement of our people through any and all means available.

## Governor

Fred Hemmings (R)

As a keiki o ka aina, my love for Hawai'i runs deep. Hawai'i is the only home I have ever known.

In 1883 my great grandparents arrived in Hawai'i from Portugal to work on a sugar plantation. Three generations later I grew up as one of six children in a Kaimuki family while my father worked two jobs and my mother drove a school bus to pay for their children's education. As a world champion surfer and canoe racer my love for the ocean evolved into a lifelong concern for Hawai'i's precious natural resources.

After six years of proven leadership in the State Legislature, I offer the same sound management and sensible decision-making as a candidate for governor. I will first put a stop to the cronyism and corruption that for too long have infected state government. These entrenched practices are not just morally repugnant — they are a major reason our cost of living is the highest in the nation.

Our other most crucial problems include housing, public education that has failed both students and teachers, a stagnating economy still based on tourism and the absence of leadership necessary to find the solutions.

With Oahu's median priced homes selling for a staggering \$380,000, decisive leadership is urgently needed. With thousands of Native Hawaiians still waiting for the homes they justly deserve, compassionate leadership is urgently needed. As governor, I will offer much more than the idle promises that have insulted you for the past four years. (When she served as Director of Hawaiian Homelands, my running mate Billie Beamer built more homes in four months than my opponent has built in four years.) I will provide the leadership to solve our housing problems by making more state land available for housing. I will remove the politics from housing by eliminating red tape, abolishing



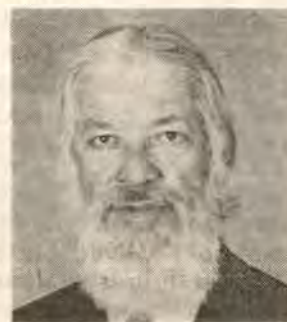
the state Land Use Commission and returning decision-making powers to the counties.

I will provide leadership and make real improvements in the quality of our children's education by encouraging smaller class sizes and decentralized school management. I will offer workable alternatives that will place students and teachers in disruption-free classrooms, well-maintained and equipped with all the necessary books and materials our children need for a quality education. I will also encourage legislation that will provide teachers with the professional salaries they deserve.

I will eliminate the four percent tax on food and medical care. The people shouldn't be taxed for being hungry or sick.

More than just a leader, I am a risk-taker who is not afraid to take a stand. I proved it by standing up for \$125 tax rebates and by exposing problems in the state judiciary that resulted in convictions of powerful state employees. I will prove it as governor by bringing integrity, honesty and accountability back to state government and by providing a state administration that is responsive to the needs of the people.

Peggy Ha'o Ross (N)  
James Kimmel (N)  
Joint statement



The most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years is unification. 1920 — "Native Hawaiian" is defined in the Hawaiian Home Lands Act of 1920.

1958 — Hawai'i Statehood has a compact with the Federal (U.S. Congress) government as trustee to the HHL Act of 1920.

1970 — The HHL Act of 1920 became apparently an indignation and embarrassment to the state and federal governments since the "Spiritual Renaissance" started by the "Hawaiians."

1980 — OHA was created (Con-Con) in spite of opposition, with the "front man" and presently the Governor, John Waihe'e.

1987-1990 — The SCHHA has the initiative plan that meets all the qualifications for the Hawaiians as a whole.

SCHHA qualifies as:

- The legal heir descendants of the race in recognition by the U.S. Congressional HHL Act of 1920, prior to 1778, according to its definition of "Native Hawaiians."

- legitimate heirs to the land entitlements of the HHLands Act 1920, 5(f) ceded lands and others; and, as a nation, absolute title to the Hawaiian Archipelago.

- proven by their continuous long suffering to attain and maintain their rights under the Department of Hawaiian Homes Land and the 50th state government for the total of 70 years.

- "Sovereign"

- the legitimate consanguinity remnant survivors of the indigenous race of Hawai'i, subjugating their right as masters of their free-will choice for sovereignty and independence or remain in bondage (slavery) under the present system as since 1893.

OHA with its limited authority is the "bowl" to wash the hands of "Pontius Pilate." OHA was to be the advocate for the Hawaiian people . . . that's what we thought.

Instead, OHA has inherited the right and privileges of the federal and state government to legally and professionally steal, lie, cheat, conspire and

politically prostitute for a meager fee.

Duplication and competing for funds and jurisdiction between OHA and DHHL has caused a pendulum of confusion abbreviating the objective to reaching the inevitable goal . . . unification.

We the people of Hawai'i have had a long season of experimenting with colonialism and statehood. We have tasted their fruits, some good and some bad. I believe that it is time for us to re-examine our desire to be a state and the benefits and detriments of statehood, and seriously consider sovereign nationhood in the immediate next two years.

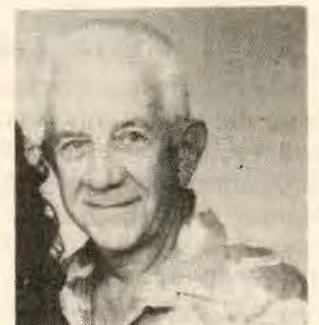
We the Hawaiian people, have taken the challenge through many doors to solving our problems, needs and concerns, and in the course of these trials and tribulations, we have tested our limits. It is time to tear down the walls that have separated us from each other and take that bold initiative (direction) of unification as a nation of Hawai'i, seceding and renewing treaties with the U.S.A. and other nations of the world.

This has to do with all nations residing in Hawai'i as well. We the people of Hawai'i, the crossroad in the Pacific of all races, colors and creeds, can pull it off . . . because we the Hawaiian people have the key of aloha to do it with. We can have the U.S. military stationed in Hawai'i under renewed treaty with the United Nations as the overseer.

As your governor, Peggy Ha'o Ross and James Kimmel as the Lt. Governor, the will of the people will be done.

Triaka-Don Smith (L)

Since political issues are discussed most often, I'd like to digress on this occasion and ask you to consider what I believe to be of equal importance, spiritual balance in government. For Native Hawaiians, it may be of critical importance.



It's generally acknowledged worldwide that Hawaiians, as a people, are gentle, friendly and loving. We describe this attitude as the aloha spirit, a unique gift to the world. It is a spiritual power which has great potential for bringing love, peace and harmony to the entire planet.

As the Libertarian candidate for governor, I propose to help produce the conditions to advance this cause. First, we must create a government here which is completely moral and ethical, and which is constitutionally bound to use moral means only in striving for moral ends. This will draw worldwide attention.

We have comprised a list of 13 moral principles and nine ethical principles on which to base our administration, the leading earmarks being honesty and openness. Through balancing power among all people and all interests, this government will resolve problems through win-win solutions.

Beyond this, I submit to you that governmental policy should reflect the universal law of cause-and-effect and the truth of the creative life force. For example, we should acknowledge that Kilauea Volcano is a sacred area and protect it. Likewise, these islands of the "breath of life" are not to be bombed (Kaho'olawe), nor are they to hide weapons of great destruction and death, for all these things challenge the laws of the creative life force and pose karmic threats as the universal/nature consciousness plays out its role in reaction. We must protect the land, not abuse it, lest we be abused.

There are other spiritual considerations, too, including the protection of heiaus, burial sites and other particularly sacred places which can be reflected in administration policy. The Office of the Governor can exercise great influence in bringing the truth of spirit forward to balance the material.

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## Governor

listic interests which have run rampant in Hawai'i. With our kind of moral and ethical government, the aloha spirit will not only bring balance to the imbalance we have long been suffering from, it will emerge to touch the world.

We would be happy to send you a copy of our moral and ethical principles. Phone 239-8077.

### \*John Waihee (D)

Aloha!

We are living in exciting times — a time of great opportunity and change. As a people, we have proven our ability to survive, to flourish, to create, to teach. We will need all of our skills to meet the challenges before us.



Part of the challenge is to take advantage of opportunities, and to create opportunities. That is what I have strived to do as your governor. Opportunities like:

- Making sure Hawaiian Home Lands' operating expenses are paid from general funds, not HHL revenues, making it possible to redirect \$3-\$4 million a year;

- Making more money available to HHL than ever before to put it back on track with the tremendous backlog of infrastructure needs, making it possible for HHL to return to the business of providing homesteads and homes — 450 by the end of this year, another 750 by 1992.

- Creating the Community Based Enterprise Development Program, to encourage locally-based, people-oriented enterprises, with owners who are as interested in developing communities as they are in making profits;

- Creating Project HOPE, to ensure that financial hardships do not bar future Hawaiian children from the promise of a college education;

- Making it possible to expand the popular Hawaiian language immersion program, and an additional 900 students to take Hawaiian language — nearly twice the number than only three years ago;

- With the community, establishing a burials council, a process and a code for the care of future burial sites, to prevent the type of crisis management and intervention required at Honokahua;

- Pressing forward on the claim for Kaho'olawe, a claim that is about to bear fruit as a federal commission to determine the conditions of return (not if, but how!) — thanks to the stewardship of the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana, and the efforts of congressional delegation;

- Upholding our responsibilities as stewards of the land, keeping our waters clean, increasing our forest reserves, land banking, making it possible for the 'alala to make a comeback;

- Working aggressively to settle with OHA on the controversy of ceded land revenues for an additional \$7 million a year and millions in back payments, making it possible for OHA to become an equity partner in fulfilling the goals and needs of our people.

The list is much longer; we have made giant strides together. There are many to be thanked. I'm sorry to say that my Republican opponent is not one of them. He saw fit to vote "No" on the funding or establishment of nearly all programs benefitting Hawaiians. More importantly, he introduced no proposals of his own. Something to consider.

Especially since there still is much more to be done.

All is possible if we can meet the challenge of coming together, as institutions, and as a people. There is power in unity and history has proven,

where Hawaiians join together we are successful. This is crucial, not only for Hawaiians. All of us are members of a large community. What's happening in the Persian Gulf and at Johnston Island have very real, very immediate impacts on all of our lives — Hawaiian and non-Hawaiian. If we are to control our future, we need to exercise leadership in the world around us.

Someone asked, "How does it feel to be the first elected Hawaiian Governor?" I feel exhilarated and excited at the successes and challenges; and frustration at the not-quite-yets. There is a sense of profound humility at the responsibility you have given me; and quiet pride in what we can do together.

Mahalo. And Imua!

## Lt. Governor

### Billie Beamer (R)

OHA and DHHL must act in the best interest of the beneficiaries not the state's.

Main issues:

- betrayed by the ceded lands agreement,
- criminal four-year performance of Hawaiian Homes Commission,
- Hawaiian congress to develop details for a Hawaiian land sovereignty proposition through forums, seminars, workshops, and plebiscites.



The primary charge of any fiduciary is accountable financial reporting. For the past decade we have not received any detailed program schedules of expenditures, staff and performance reporting. This requirement from the OHA trustees or the Hawaiian Homes Commissioners is mandatory.

The incomplete or glossed over reports from OHA (when received) and DHHL are just public relations self-justifications. Alu Like with its millions of federal and state funds has never submitted a public accounting.

As of 1989, 300,000-plus acres are missing. We cannot continue to accept kapulu books which veil purposes, land usage and expenditures.

The agreement between OHA and the state must not be ratified until a detailed accounting of the 300,000-plus acres is accomplished. At regular intervals, an appointed body representing different Hawaiian organizations must review the progress of the audit before the final result is submitted for acceptance on the usual "take it or leave it ultimatum."

A cash settlement should not be accepted until the state submits a ledger of all revenues collected from the use of land and sea since the compact of the Admissions Act of 1959.

Then the final conditions of the agreement must first be reported to the public, specifically the OHA members, for review and endorsement before it is submitted for legislative approval.

A land accounting for DHHL must be undertaken to determine the remaining estate inventory.

Tax records as of September 1990 reveal only 182,188 acres. What happened to the other 7,000 acres?

Another question is why so much of the moneys is being invested by DHHL and OHA, when the need is now. For whose benefit are these investments, \$29 million from DHHL and \$5 or \$6 million(?) from OHA?

The objective for passage of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act was the fact that of the 39,260 population of Hawaiians in 1919, only 1,000 were listed as property owners. But less than 4,000 have received improved lands since 1920.

I strenuously object to the awarding of DHHL lands to wealthy landowners as Bishop Trustee Pinky Thompson who was recently awarded

Waimea Ranch Lands. I do not deny his right to be on the list, but those who already have the means for subsistence should be bypassed or voluntarily eliminate themselves until the Hawaiians without land have received a parcel.

Thirty-four thousand petitioners said stop fussing with the act and build homes for the people. The governor built 78 in the last four years.

S.B. 3236 and Act 75 introduced by Akaka and Inouye, our congressional representatives, will dismantle the HHCA. Beware Hawaiians.

Joint workshops, seminars, drafting sessions of models to implement sovereignty on Hawaiian Lands and plebiscites must be conducted by OHA.

OHA is only authorized to act as a conduit representing the people's wishes. It is not an executive authority.

It is time for a change.

### \*Ben Cayetano (D)

Governor John Waihee describes his relationship with Ben Cayetano as "the most successful Governor-Lieutenant Governor relationship in Hawai'i's history."

Cayetano's 16-year record shows him to be an aggressive and innovative leader. His accomplishments include:

**A-Plus program.** Called "the father of the A-Plus Program" by the Honolulu Advertiser, Cayetano led the establishment of the nationally renowned after-school program in just seven months. Last spring, it served 15,500 children in 170 schools statewide. Between 20,000 and 24,000 are expected this fall. A-Plus parents gave the program 99.3 percent approval rating for high quality.

**Election reform.** Established the new "Wikiwiki" mail registration system, introduced electronic voting in Hawai'i, and spearheaded the drive which reversed Hawai'i's 10-year voter registration decline.

**Heptachlor.** Chaired the Senate committee which investigated the 1982 heptachlor contamination of Hawai'i's milk supply and brought reforms in pesticide use and milk production.

**Manoa Finance.** Led the Senate committee which negotiated the successful payback for depositors — mostly senior citizens — caught in the collapse of Manoa Finance.

**High Tech.** Authored the law establishing the Pacific Center for High Technology Research at UH to develop Hawai'i's high tech industry.

**High priority issues for Hawaiians.** Hawaiians must be given the resources and freedom to decide their own future. Education is the most important tool for instilling pride in one's past and an understanding of one's heritage. Education programs focused on the special needs of Hawaiians should be a high priority program.

**Other high priority issues for the future.** Affordable housing and rentals, education reform, environment, and the economy.

### Amelia Oy Lew Fritts (L)

I never had the blessing of being Hawaiian by birth, but my daughter is lucky enough to be a "keiki o ka 'aina" (although not ethnically Hawaiian). Nevertheless, I recall how easy it used to be to understand why those of us who were transplants from elsewhere could expect to be joyfully received and eventually accepted as kamaainas due to the openhearted-



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## Lt. Governor

ness of the Hawaiian people.

Sadly, now the paradox is that (since statehood) many of those Native Hawaiians who have risen to levels of political power and influence appear to have deserted their heritage. Instead they think and act more in line with the worst of mainland American cultural values and less with the best that are Hawaiian. These persons should re-evaluate their motives. It seems to me there is a faint echo here from the pages of the dark days of Hawaiian history going back to when the missionaries took over. Since then the decline has continued unabated.

Is it any wonder, then, that most Native Hawaiians cannot shake off the chains of their identity crisis?

Yes, I think the federal government should immediately return all ceded lands back to the Hawaiian people — including the island of Kaho'olawe. The Hawaiian Homes Act should not be tampered with in any way but enforced. State government ought to pay the Hawaiians for revenues collected for use of their land and also allow the Hawaiian people to pursue justice from government in the courts. Native practices, such as healing, and protection for religious and sacred areas should be respected. Most important — a move toward sovereignty is the right way to go.

Actually there would be little need for the existence of an agency such as the Office of Hawaiian Affairs if all the preceding transpired. Hawaiians, as independent landed persons, could each decide for themselves what they want their futures to be. In fact, by themselves they have the power to change conditions if, as a group, they would permit their good sense to acknowledge their right to self-government.

Certainly the most important issue for the Native Hawaiian in the next five years (preferably less) would be to restore pride and awaken the true spirit of aloha in the hearts of the Hawaiian people. That is their nature, their heritage. End their despair. Restore their dignity. Let the people be free and their needs met.

A Libertarian governor and lieutenant governor will lead all Hawaiians (and Hawaiians at heart) in that direction. Our plan for a moral and ethical

government, that favors no group over another group, will show the way to accomplish this. Then the land will prosper again because the leadership is upright.

## State Senate

**Sen. Dist. 5 (W. Maui, Moloka'i, Lana'i)  
Jan Dapitan (D)**

In my mind, the most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years is the credibility of OHA with both the Native Hawaiians, and the community that is Hawai'i.

Native Hawaiians need to know that there is communication, accountability, and justice in approaching the issues of reparations, education, health, housing, and Kaho'olawe. They need to know that action will be taken immediately to work on solutions and programs for the indigenous people of this state.

As a state senator, I would devote time and energy to work with people, seek solutions, and bring government, community, and OHA together to solve problems.



**\*Rick Reed (R)**

I think the most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years hasn't changed in the past 70 years: putting Native Hawaiians on their land.

As the former editor/publisher of the Valley Isle newspaper, I interviewed countless people whose grandfather or mother and father or husband or wife had died while on the waiting list for land. The problem continues, and it's a disgrace.

In the past legislative session, I voted against the bill that would add a "purpose clause" to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act. I was responding to Native Hawaiians who argued persuasively that the federal and state governments should instead simply begin living up to the terms of the act and begin putting Hawaiians on their land.

Government hasn't failed the Hawaiian people for lack of a purpose clause. Government has failed the Hawaiian people for lack of sincerity, lack of will, lack of aloha.

If re-elected, I will continue to use all the power of the office to force government to begin living up to the terms of the act. The land is already there. The Native Hawaiian is expected to acquire financing and build his own home. All the state has to do is provide the infrastructure.

I will continue to pressure government to do right by the Hawaiian people in all regards.

Incidentally, I have actively sought to stop the bombing of Kaho'olawe for the past 13 years.



**Sen. Dist. 6 (Waipahu, Mililani)  
Randy Iwase (D)**

There are many important issues facing Native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years including sovereignty, the return of Kaho'olawe, reparations, and entitlement.

However, in order to achieve any degree of



success in addressing these issues, it is critical that the Hawaiian community remain united. Unfortunately, this has not always been true over the past several years. Internal dissension, disagreements over priorities, and constant challenges to those who must provide leadership only serve to weaken the cause, dissipate energy, and blur focus on what must be done in order to succeed.

The fate of issues important to and directly affecting the Hawaiian community lies in the hand of Hawaiians. You must provide the energy and the leadership, and this can only be achieved if there is unity and consensus within the Hawaiian community.

As a person born and raised in Hawai'i, you can be assured that my heart is with you, and my offer of assistance is always extended. Your cause is a just one, and together, we can succeed in reaching our common goals.

**Bill Sullivan (R)**

No statement was received from candidate

**Sen. Dist. 7 (Wahiawa, Kahuku)  
\*Gerald T. Hagino (D)  
Jack Magann (R)**

No statements were received from candidates

**Sen. Dist. 8 (Laie, Kane'ohe)  
\*Mike McCartney (D)**

Mike McCartney was born and raised in Kahu'u and educated in our public schools. He is married to Darlene Yoshioka and has one son, Brice.

Mike was first elected to the state Senate in 1988. During his first term, he has earned the trust and respect of his colleagues by serving as the chairman of the Government Operations Committee and vice chairman of the Education Committee.

Mike's priorities are:



### Hawaiian Issues:

Mike supports giving indigenous Hawaiians equal rights afforded to Native Americans by the U.S. government. He supports greater self-determination and self-governance for all Native Hawaiians. He also believes that the federal and state governments must play a more active role in resolving concerns and problems facing Hawaiian Home Lands and ceded land issues.

### Education:

Mike is committed to improving the quality of our educational system by supporting the restructuring and decentralization of the DOE to give local schools greater flexibility and autonomy; allocating additional resources to the schools to help them meet their needs. He is an advocate for lowering class sizes and supports School Community-Based Management.

### Environment:

He authored legislation that will protect and preserve Kaneohe Bay and helped to save the Heeie Wetlands from development. Mike is committed to maintaining the beauty and rural character of Windward O'ahu. He also authored the county land use initiative bill and passed it out of his committee.

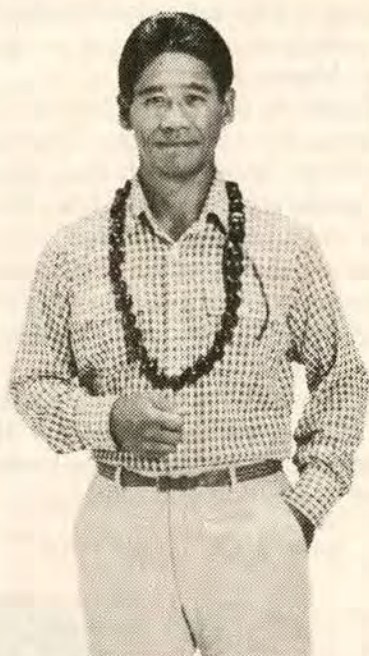
### Housing:

Mike co-sponsored legislation to restrict foreign ownership of residential property and introduced anti-speculation measures. He believes that greater incentives to private industry to promote the construction of more affordable housing must be provided.

### Traffic:

Mike supports the widening of Kahekili Highway and long-term alternatives, such as mass trans-

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Raised in Papakolea, I understand the concerns of Hawaiians.

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## State Senate

Sen. Dist. 8

sit, to relieve Hawai'i's transportation problems.

### Taxes:

Mike introduced a comprehensive long-term income tax relief package last session and supported the transfer of the hotel room tax to the counties. His bill to increase the food tax credit was enacted into law, and he will continue to work towards providing long term tax relief for Hawai'i residents.

The past two years have been rewarding, exciting and challenging for Mike. He has learned a lot and now the foundation is there for him to do even more. He is proud of his record as a freshman senator and his commitment to be an advocate for our community.

**Gary Walker (R)**

The most important issue facing the Native Hawaiian people is the disastrous state of the Hawaiian Home Lands. Nearly 21,000 eligible Hawaiians have been shuffled out of sight onto an apparently perpetual waiting list. Tragically, for some a lifetime of waiting wasn't enough.

Hawai'i's all-powerful Democratic machine has been in complete control of the government for 30 years. They have had time and opportunity to implement any action they have wanted to. In the matter of Hawaiian Home Lands, Hawaiians are not the victims of bad luck or the slow wheels of bureaucracy. They are casualties of deliberate contempt. Control of land, power and money is the foundation of strength for the democratic machine, and Native Hawaiians don't fit into their plans.

It is time to abandon the Democrat's greedy sinking ship and vote for men and women who care. The current administration has spent over a billion dollars of surplus money, with hundreds of millions allegedly available for affordable housing, but in four years only 127 houses have been placed on the Hawaiian's land. They have treacherously abandoned their legal commitment to provide revenue from ceded Hawaiian lands.

Incredibly, by honoring this commitment we would also be helping everybody in Hawai'i. If Hawaiians were given their rightful lands it would solve the housing shortage by recirculating their

current residences back into the open market.

Republicans can stand proud. Gary Walker is prepared to do everything in his power to honor the commitment to Hawaiians. Gary cares deeply about the land, but even more, he cares about Hawai'i's people. He will make sure that the state does what they should have done a generation ago — build homes on Hawaiian Homes Lands for Hawaiians. It's the right thing to do and it's good for everybody.

**Sen. Dist. 24 (Nanakuli, N. Kaua'i)  
Michael "Mike" J. Mixell (R)**

The question is, how can Hawaiians get settled on their land, get fair reimbursement for their ceded lands, and have their sovereign rights that are guaranteed in the 1920 Congressional Act?

As an elected senator, I will work toward accomplishing the above goals. I will be in the front line with you and will not sidestep or back off from what are right, fair, and legal obligations of the State of Hawai'i.

I will take whatever legal means are needed to accomplish these goals. The first thing I will do is to ask for an investigation of the organizations that represent the Hawaiian people to see that they are doing their legal duties and responsibilities to the



Hawaiian people.

The first to be looked at will be the Hawaiian Homelands Commission. No stone will be left unturned and all legal options will be open.

Three things I promise to my district are:

1. An office in my district with an open door;
2. Books for all students in our schools;
3. Fair and legal representation of the Hawaiian people.

After four years in office, they will say, "Mike Mixell worked for the interests and preservation of the culture and rights of the Hawaiian people."

**\*James Aki (D)**

No statement was received from candidate

## State House

**Rep. Dist. 1 (Ka'u, Puna, Keaukaha)  
Stewart Waterhouse (R)**

Hawaiians and non-Hawaiians alike face a severe housing crisis. Rent and mortgage payments are so high the average family cannot afford shelter. Hawaiian people in particular find the problem to be disproportionately worse because of extreme delays in the apportionment



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## State House

### Rep. Dist. 1

of Homelands. Additionally, since land under the proposed house on homelands is owned by the department of Hawaiian Homelands rather than by the homesteader, financing is next to impossible.

I will work to expedite placement of those waiting and change financing rules to make financing easier. I intend to appoint Palikapu Dedman legislative assistant. Pali is a Hawaiian activist from Ka'u and founder of the Pele Defense Fund.

### \*Jerry Chang (D)

No statement was received from candidate

### Tanya Lee (N)

No statement was received from candidate

### Rep. Dist. 5 (Kailua-Kona, S. Kona)

#### \*Virginia Isbell (D)

#### Mark R. Spengler (R)

No statements were received from candidates

### Rep. Dist. 6 (N. Kona, Kohala, E. Maui)

#### Eddie Akana (D)

#### \*Mike O'Kieffe (R)

No statements were received from candidates

### Rep. Dist. 7 (Wailea, Upcountry Maui, Paia)

#### Paul Fagan (R)

#### David Morihara (D)

No statements were received from candidates

### Rep. Dist. 9 (Waihee, Lahaina, Kihei)

#### Edmund K. Alo (R)

#### \*Joseph M. Souki (D)

No statements were received from candidates

### Rep. Dist. 11 (Crestview, Mililani)

#### \*Daniel J. Kihano (D)

The most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA, at this time, is the building of more homes for Native Hawaiians. To this end, I believe that more funds need to be provided to assist the Native Hawaiians.



### Ron S. Arakaki (R)

No statement was received from candidate

### Rep. Dist. 12 (Mililani, Wheeler, Schofield Barracks)

#### Karen Georgiev (R)

My decision to become a candidate for the State House of Representatives, (District 12, Mililani, Wheeler, Schofield), is inspired by a sincere desire to serve as part of the solution to the many problems facing our community and state.



While growing up here in Hawai'i, I have witnessed a discouraging lack of courage, creativity, and resolve on the part of our political leadership. Their abdication of responsibility and commitment to the people of Hawai'i has resulted in the breaking up of our families as our young people are forced to leave their island home.

I understand the frustration of many who believe that few positive changes can occur with a government that has proven itself to be inefficient,

wasteful, and ineffective. However, having been born legally blind, I am familiar with the experience of facing challenges, and I know that anything can be achieved through hard work, ingenuity, and perseverance.

Native Hawaiians also have a long and proud history of overcoming challenges and adversity. One of today's greatest obstacles to overcome is a lack of economic and educational opportunity. As a legislator, I would fight for Hawaiian homestead lands in order to encourage self-sufficiency and the strengthening of the family. In addition, educational programs must be established which target the needs of the native Hawaiian community in areas ranging from literacy training to university scholarships.

In addition, I will work diligently toward the establishment of a much needed, and long overdue fixed rail mass transit system. As with many issues, our politicians have been more interested in the politics of ideas, rather than merit. We voters must make it clear that such attitudes are unacceptable.

I will also fight to open more land for affordable housing. These projects must be well-planned developments that consider all pertinent factors such as economic feasibility, the availability of water and other resources, and environmental impact.

Another vitally important matter is the improvement of our public education system. In order to effectively educate our children, we must decentralize authority and allow individual schools, principals, teachers, and parents to participate in decision making. It must be stressed, however, that with this authority comes tremendous responsibility for all of us to take an active role in the education and future of our young people.

Needless to say, there are dozens more issues which our leaders have failed to address over the

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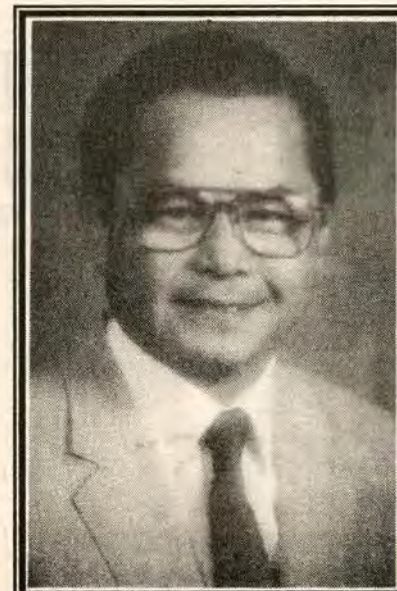
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# State Candidate Profiles

## State House

### Rep. Dist 12

years. What is most disturbing is that, given our many problems, we still pay one of the highest tax rates in the nation. It is time to demand our money's worth.

As residents of Hawai'i, we must stand together to demand an end to the era of "go along and get along politics," and replace it with government that is responsive to the needs of the people. My candidacy offers a choice between the failed policies of the past and real hope for the future.

### \*Samuel S.H. Lee (D)

I am a firm believer in education and have strong faith in our public schools. All four of my children have attended or are attending local schools. Tom and Andrew are at Mililani High School.



We need more classrooms and a smaller teacher-student ratio. For my district, I will seek appropriations for the Mililani Mauka Elementary School and the Mililani Performing Arts Center. I will continue to be active in the PTSA and the Mililani Teen Support Organization to help our youth both in and out of school.

Affordable housing is a concern for all of us. I shall encourage the state to continue the affordable projects in Kapolei and elsewhere. But I will seek legislation and funds for the construction of affordable rental apartments, preferably in the urban core.

I am pleased that we made a decision for mass transit. It is now time to address elderly care as a priority. We need to increase the number of long-term beds and to assist family caregivers. Every effort must be made to enable to remain in their own homes.

Education and housing are the most important issues facing Native Hawaiians. The top priority is to implement the Hawaiian Homelands Act. I support all measures, particularly appropriations, to settle Native Hawaiians on their land.

Like everyone else, Native Hawaiians need a good education to develop their potential and to prepare for good jobs. I support special educational programs for Native Hawaiians, including the increasing cooperation of Kamehameha Schools and the Department of Education.

Rep. Dist. 14 (North Shore, Kahuku)  
Bernadette Franks-Ongoy (R)

Alex Santiago (D)

No statements were received from candidates

Rep. Dist. 16 (Haiku, Heeia, Kaneohe)  
Eugene T. Carson (R)

1. Implementation of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act in deed and not with empty words, promises and paper awards.

2. OHA must grow and develop plans and programs in support of the Hawaiian people. OHA must seek redress of the historic wrongs and



omissions that have taken place.

Seventy years of indolence on the part of those responsible seems to be a major reason for the failure of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to develop needed homesteads. Now money appears to make a solution out of reach. This need not be.

OHA Trustee Rod Burgess has suggested a possible solution to the money problem. The United States military should undertake as a "training project" development of the infrastructure of Hawaiian Home Lands. The military is quick enough to use Kaho'olawe as a "needed" training area . . . therefore they should be willing to undertake a training project that will benefit the Hawaiian people so that homes can be built on their land. If you use someone's property or land you should expect to give fair compensation for the use you have enjoyed and/or continue to enjoy.

Therefore, the U.S. military should pay for use of the trust lands the same as they are required to compensate other land owners when they use their property. I support the suggestions of Mr. Burgess and believe they should be fully explored and pursued with relentless determination. OHA is for the Hawaiian people. The requirements set forth in the Admissions Act, conveniently ignored by every administration during the past 30 years, were written with clarity. I would support absolute adherence to enforcement of the Admissions Act or any amendments to it that would be of benefit to the Hawaiian people.

The trust fund required by the Admissions Act appears to have been "conveniently" overlooked. I have been told, by Hawaiians whom I consider to be well-informed, that the arrangement with the State of Hawai'i was unilateral and arbitrary as well as inaccurate. They have told me, and I agree, that there must be an accurate inventory of ceded lands; a true accounting for the past 30 years. How much land has been sold and to whom? The monetary determinations seem hardly fair when one considers the tremendous income generated at the State airports and at other ceded lands . . . I would fight for a proper and accurate accounting to determine what belongs to the Hawaiian people.

I would strongly support use of military engineer units to aid in developing infrastructure of the Hawaiian Homes Lands and the assistance of OHA by having them invest OHA funds in the people to construct affordable homes.

I came here from the mainland. You made me welcome with aloha. Where I grew up it was customary to name your house. Mother, a teacher, selected the name "ALOHA" for our home. I cannot express myself better than did my mother.

### \*Terrance W.H. Tom (D)

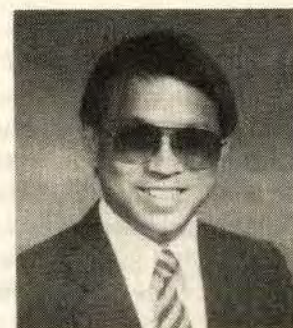
It is very difficult to discuss the most important issue facing native Hawaiians and OHA because there are numerous concerns and problems which must be addressed affecting our Hawaiian people who constitute approximately 20% of Hawaii's population. Unfortunately, our Hawaiian population has over-populated our prisons, welfare system, and school dropouts. Issues such as: a better education, more jobs, better housing, and a more effective delivery of health services, for our Hawaiian people, must be immediately addressed if we are to meet the needs of one-fifth of our State's population.

Although each area of concern constitutes an issue in itself, when considered together, it is clear that the primary issue is improving the quality of life of our native Hawaiians. For example, in the area of higher education, our native Hawaiians have the highest attrition rate consisting of dismissals, probations and dropouts in our University system, with a 5% enrollment at the University of Hawai'i. In the area of human services, of the approximate 14,000 adults receiving AFDC benefits, one of every three, or 30%, are Hawaiians. Nineteen percent of those receiving state general assistance are Hawaiians.

Statistics do not lie. It is incumbent on all of us, Hawaiians and non-Hawaiians, to work together to ensure a quality of life that would result in more housing, quality education, a better delivery of health services and meaningful jobs for our Hawaiian people. I am committed to do my part in this democratic process to achieve this very essential and worthwhile goal.

Although I am not Hawaiian, I think that I can understand and empathize with feelings of rejection, frustration and some hostility expressed by our Hawaiian people. I have been blind from birth,

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and as a result of my handicap, I, too, had to face negative attitudes, misunderstandings and rejections by those unlike myself. However, despite my handicap, I have had to work even harder to achieve my goals in life and to make something of myself. This same attitude of perseverance and positive thinking must also exist in the minds and hearts of our Hawaiian population if their quality of life is going to improve. Our Hawaiian people must first develop a more confident self-image, self-esteem, and positive attitude about themselves. A change in attitude will result in a change in environment, learning, and income for our Hawaiian people.

In addition to better programs and more education for our Hawaiian people, we must be committed in providing additional funding in our endeavors to improve the quality of life for our native Hawaiians.

Therefore, I feel that by strengthening the attitudes and self-esteem of our Hawaiian people, and by providing adequate funding for programs to meet their many needs, we will ensure that the quality of life for each and every Hawaiian individual will be met.

### Rep. Dist. 18 (Maunawili, Enchanted Lake) \*Whitney T. Anderson (R)

I believe that one of the issues of most importance facing the Hawaiian community in the next five years is the resolution of the blood quantum question both for the beneficiaries of OHA and of the Hawaiian Homes Commission.

In reference to OHA there is a definite need to define and implement a trust for Hawaiians of less than half native blood particularly in view of the funds that will be available to OHA under the ceded lands entitlements legislation passed this year. Under existing law these new funds can be



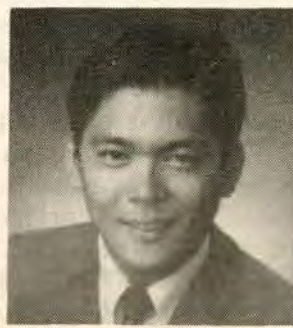
used only for Hawaiians of 50% or more blood quantum. Until legal clarification can be made it will be difficult to administer many of the needed programs.

I believe the other issue of most importance to the Hawaiian Community in the long range is the education of our Hawaiian children. I would hope that OHA could, by utilizing the additional funds it will be receiving, establish programs in those schools where the SAT Scores show below-average achievement in reading and math skills and where there is a high enrollment of Hawaiian pupils. These programs should work intensively with the students who are having problems with reading and comprehension, written English and verbal communication in English. I also believe that programs should be instituted to work with pre-school age children to prepare them for formal school entrance.

If re-elected I would support OHA-generated legislation to resolve the question of trust beneficiaries and funding for State programs in remedial educational programs in conjunction with OHA and greater emphasis on courses in Hawaiian history at all grade levels.

### Devon Nekoba (D)

Hawaii's natural beauty makes it a special place. But that beauty is fragile and easily destroyed. We have seen unprecedented growth and development in Windward Oahu. For Devon Nekoba, our precious land and environment are of utmost concern.



Kailua residents share that concern. Our community opposes overdevelopment — luxury homes at Sandy Beach, golf courses in Maunawili Valley, commercial abuse of our beaches and offshore waters. Now we face even more unwanted proposals: a golf driving range at Kailua Drive-in and homes desecrating the slopes of Mount Olomana.

Where will it end? Devon Nekoba shares these concerns and wants it to end now. You can count on Devon Nekoba to work vigorously to protect

our land from destruction through overdevelopment.

Housing prices have run away from the reach of our own people. A key reason is speculation by foreign investors. Overseas buyers are inflating housing prices to levels where young people are losing hope of ever owning a home in Hawai'i. Even for people who own homes, spiraling housing prices only mean skyrocketing real property taxes!

Devon Nekoba will strive to keep Hawai'i's people from being priced out of the housing market. He will work for a ban on foreign investors competing with Hawai'i residents for housing.

For our Hawaiian people, no issue is more important than land. The 'aina nourished ancient Hawai'i. Respect for the land is the cornerstone of Hawaiian culture. Ceded lands, their revenues, and other land unjustly taken must be restored to the Hawaiian people. Devon Nekoba will work to achieve these goals.

An effective voice for Kailua residents depends on having representative who will be heard by the Legislature's Democratic majority. As a member of the majority party, Devon Nekoba can make our case effectively. And as he will be heard, our concerns will be heard in the Legislature. For vigorous, effective representation, please vote Devon Nekoba for state Representative.

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**Rep. Dist. 19 (Mokapu, Kailua)**  
**Cynthia Thielen (R)**

I'm running for state House of Representatives - 19th district (Kalaheo Hillside, Coconut Grove, Aikahi Park, Kaimalino, Kailua Bay Estates, Mokapu, Kainalu, Kuulei, Kalaheo Avenue and country Club Knolls).



The most important issue facing Native Hawaiians is land, land, land. It is critical that the state allocate necessary funds to put in the infrastructure on Hawaiian Home Lands. At the same time, I will support methods to permit homesteaders to get on the land now to make their own site improvements and recommend that the OHA share costs for some of the infrastructure.

The most important issue facing OHA is reparations. Hawaiians are the last group to be compensated for actions taken in the name of the federal government. As a state legislator, I will support resolutions or other state action to get the United States Congress to act.

I've raised four children on the Windward side and returned to the University of Hawai'i to finish undergraduate work and get a law degree. I am an environmental and land use attorney.

I helped the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana gain access to the island for religious, cultural and educational purposes. Through our efforts, Kaho'olawe was placed on the National Register of Historic Places. As a result of lengthy negotiation sessions, we succeeded in getting the military to remove bombs and shells from one-third of the Island.

On those monthly accesses when I've gone with the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana, we have hiked over the island to the archaeological sites and documented the damage to the 'aina. Twice a year we meet in long sessions to negotiate with the Navy to get expanded access for the 'Ohana, to critique the Navy's erosion control plans and to monitor the ordinance clean up.

I support return of Kaho'olawe, and as your state legislator, will work toward that goal.

Working with a coalition of churches, I won back half of the Hale Mohalu site in Pearl City for Hansen's disease and other residents. The support group now is working on design details for the residential project.

My concern toward preserving the land is statewide. When developers wanted to construct a large condominium project at Kamo Point on the island of Hawai'i, Boyce Brown and I represented a local group, the Friends of Kamo Point, and succeeded in preserving that significant area.

In addition, I've represented the Office of Hawaiian Affairs in cases before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. I have been and will continue to be a strong supporter of Hawaiian issues and will work with you in the State Legislature to implement your goals.

**\*Ed Bybee (D)**  
No statement was received from candidate

**Rep. Dist. 20 (Lanikai, Keolu, Waimanalo)**  
**Jackie Young (D)**

While housing, education and economic self-sufficiency are clearly important issues facing Native Hawaiians, without good health social and economic advances will be difficult. I believe that health education and access to culturally appropriate forms of health care is most important. The unusually high incidence of heart disease, diabetes, cancer among Native Hawaiians is alarming. When compared to other states in the nation, Hawai'i residents tend to live longer. Yet Native Hawaiians die at a younger age than any other ethnic group in Hawai'i.

Intervention and prevention efforts must be increased and supported by our government. Access to health care is crucial. As a legislator I would work with OHA to develop strategies and legislation to address this health crisis among Native Hawaiians such as supporting increased funding for additional staff for the Office of Hawaiian Health and promotional efforts to encourage Native Hawaiian students to enter the health field.

**Eve Anderson (R)**  
No statement was received from candidate

**Rep. Dist. 21 (Kalama, Hawaii Kai)**  
**\*Dave Stegmaier (D)**

The most important issue facing the Hawaiian community is sovereignty/self-determination. It is an issue that is very complex. There are many, many models that need to be evaluated. The various options and alternatives must be explained to the Hawaiian community so that a consensus on the best model can be achieved.

I would support legislation that would fund, define, and implement a process that would allow the Hawaiian community to reach consensus on this issue. There needs to be a strong education and outreach program so that the community can be informed about why the issue is important, what are the ramifications, what are the various alternative, what has been the experience of other native American groups, the benefits and pitfalls of the different models, etc.

There would also need to be a component to work with the Hawaiian community to determine the best process to decide the sovereignty issue. There are many different deliberative models that need to be discussed: a "constitutional" convention with elected representatives, a referendum of the Hawaiian community, or a combination of the two. Developing a process that would allow a forum for all alternatives and opportunities to be discussed is critical to achieve the best result.

The other important issue is integration and coordination of programs and services for Hawaiians. There are many different organizations providing programs and services for the Hawaiian community. Over the past two years, the legislature funded the Hawaiian Services Task Force to conduct a needs assessment and survey of services currently available. The ultimate objective is to identify the needs of the community, catalog existing services, and develop an integrated plan for all organizations to deliver services. This would allow organizations to focus on their strengths,



minimize overlap and competing services, foster cooperation between organizations, and deliver services that the community needs most.

I supported the efforts of the task force in the past, and would support the implementation of its recommendations.

**Charles Isaak (R)**  
No statement was received from candidate

**Rep. Dist. 22 (Hawaii Kai, Aina Haina)**  
**\*Fred Hirayama (D)**

In response to your questionnaire I believe the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) should have the foresight and direction to utilize ceded land funds to benefit and improve the plight of all Native Hawaiians.



It is with this in mind that I wholeheartedly believe that the welfare of all Native Hawaiians would be best served by OHA providing funds to develop and implement programs with emphasis on education and elderly care.

Programs I wish to see developed in the field of education would be to improve scholastic aptitude scores, encourage our young ones to obtain their high school diplomas and attend college. It is my firm belief that OHA must take a leading and committed role in upgrading the educational process for our keikis from early childhood to graduate studies. In essence, I wish to see programs which would enhance and improve our keikis' abilities to receive a thorough and challenging education and thus make them more able to compete in our society.

Secondly, OHA should provide additional programs to improve elderly care and construct these types of facilities for our kupuna. Already in existence is one such facility — Lunalilo Home. I believe one is not enough. We need more facilities and programs to address elderly care. These measures would enable our kupuna to live longer and healthful lives.

This is the direction I believe OHA should pursue with vigor and intent so that all the Native Hawaiian community may benefit.

**Gene Ward (R)**

In my opinion, there are two priority issues facing the Hawaiian community: housing and self-sufficiency.

### Housing:

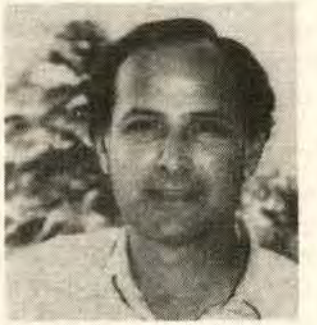
The housing issue (basically a land issue) involves each Hawaiian being eligible for a plot of land, and a house. The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands has attempted to do this, but has not succeeded.

If elected I would streamline the process of infrastructure and site development by more private sector involvement and more creative financing measures. There is no reason for a person to be on a waiting list for a Hawaiian homestead for 10 to 20 years the way it is now. Eligible homesteaders should be provided plots within a maximum of a five year period!

### Self-sufficiency:

The dependency statistics of Hawaiians need to be reversed. More self-sufficiency projects, particularly entrepreneurial development endeavors need to be encouraged.

If elected I would see to it that the present OHA Revolving Loan Fund is expanded, and if the federal government chooses to back out of the project, I would see to it that the State became in-



## Why vote?

**Abraham Pi'ianaia, geography professor, UH**

The vote is a right that many peoples don't have. We are lucky to participate in the process of selecting people who will lead us. It gives us a chance to look at people who will serve, and decide which of these people will do the job for us. This is one of the most valuable features of our type of government. If they don't come through, we don't have to put them back in office.

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volved in providing its funds.

Secondly, entrepreneurship training, like that presently conducted by Alu Like needs to be streamlined and expanded to all of the islands to provide economic self-sufficiency opportunities for Hawaiians.

If elected, I would see to it that sufficient funds were available for Hawaiian economic development, projects, particularly entrepreneurship development, to take priority.

### Summary:

I have written a Ph.D. thesis comparing Hawaiian entrepreneurs with Caucasian entrepreneurs and found that there were fundamentally few differences between the two groups. Hawaiians can and do succeed in business, but the stereotype, even in the Hawaiian community, is that they cannot or should not be good entrepreneurs.

I have also worked over 15 years with Dr. George Kanahale and various members of the Hawaiian community who have demonstrated that Hawaiians are in fact often smarter and quicker than others in Hawai'i.

From Hawaiians and from my experience, I have learned that Hawaiian housing and Hawaiian businesses are the two areas that will make a difference in Hawai'i for the future of its original peoples.

Rep. Dist. 23 (Waialae, Maunalani Heights)  
Daniel Dinell (D)

Our people. Our land. Our water. Our heritage. These are Hawai'i's treasures. I was born and raised in the district where I am seeking office. I am a product of the Hawai'i public schools. I've worked in the Legislature, in



Washington D.C. on Capitol Hill, in remote villages in Alaska and in the booming metropolis of Tokyo, Japan. I have the energy and background to make a difference, but only with your kokua.

The most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA is not a single issue, but structural reform. It is the need of Hawaiians to fully participate in the decision-making process at all levels of government and throughout our community.

OHA's role must be to facilitate this process. OHA should be ready to take on forces which prevent this kind of participation and reform. OHA can work with other organizations and truly become an advocate on behalf of Hawaiians throughout the state. OHA needs to provide focus and direction. As a state Representative, I will be committed to encourage, by leadership and by example, participation of Hawaiians in the decision making process.

OHA's blueprint for entitlements is an important first step in redressing the wrongs done to Hawaiians. Further, we must stop the desecration of Kaho'olawe today, not tomorrow. And finally, Hawaiian Homes must be put to the task and get those qualifying individuals and families off the waiting lists and onto the land.

We must work to address those problems which continue to plague Hawaiians: the highest poverty rates; the poorest health; the highest prison population; social and cultural rejection in their own land; and low educational attainment to name just a few.

Only profound and structural change will make a difference. Hawaiians need not, no should not, be estranged in their own land. Only with real commitment to changing the environment which perpetuates this situation will we make true pro-

gress. Mahalo for the opportunity to share my views. I look forward to working with you to make it happen.

Barbara Marumoto (R)

OHA has an excellent opportunity to take a leadership role in obtaining Hawaiian Home Lands for Hawai'i's people. Housing is this state's number one problem and, ironically, it is a bigger problem for Hawaiians than almost any other ethnic group.

OHA should press for: 1) the awarding of all available HHL acreage, 2) state-installed infrastructure, 3) state guaranteed loans for individual site improvements, and 4) maximum rents for non-Hawaiian leases to help pay for infrastructure costs.

The question of blood quantum must be settled; I see this as a Hawaiian question which must be decided "in house", i.e., by Hawaiians themselves.

Housing will remain a problem for more than five years, maybe more than 10 years. However, after that, let's hope that the problem will be solved.

Rep. Dist. 24 (Kahala, Waikiki)  
Jane Tatibouet (R)

Land and housing are perhaps the two most important issues facing Native Hawaiians and the OHA in the next five years and beyond.

I am very strongly committed to make all possible efforts to speed up the process whereby lands held in trust for the Hawaiian people be put into their hands.

The provisions of 'aloha 'aina had their origins in the Organic Act of 1901 which set aside some 230,000 acres as homesteads for the Hawaiians. My husband's step-grandfather, Dr. George Huddy, a half-Hawaiian, served in the Territorial Legislature from 1912-1916. In this position he worked hard to make secure the lands for the future generations.

In present day Hawai'i our family continues the support of Native Hawaiian rights. My husband, as chairman of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, Hawai'i chapter, has made an continuing effort to accelerate the process of releasing these lands.

The other major problem, the cost of housing itself, is now a statewide concern and one that must be addressed for the Native Hawaiian as well as for all the people of Hawai'i.

For the native Hawaiians the cost to place a home on their land must be reasonable. Solutions can be found both by introduction of new construction technology, and by the use of a wider variety of efficient materials. In addition the state and county governments need to permit use of the functional, attractive, new styles of modular, prefab and/or manufactured homes as a viable and low-cost alternative to traditional construction.

It is deplorable that many Native Hawaiians are being deprived of their most basic right—to live in a house on the lands held for them. If elected to the state Legislature, I would work to introduce legislation to force the appropriate authorities to speed up the process of parcelling out the lands. Regarding housing, I plan to find ways of both introducing the technology and at the same time seek enabling legislation to allow alternative forms of housing in our state.



Roger Moseley (D)

No statement was received from candidate.

Rep. Dist. 26 (Kaimuki, Kapahulu)  
\*Les Ihara (D)

No statement was received from candidate

Steve Tataii (Kupono) (R)

'Aina and 'olelo are the two most important elements for the existence of any nation or indigenous people (natives of the land) anywhere in the world. In Hawai'i these two elements have practically been forced out of existence for its indigenous people.

'Aina's meaning is different by far from its pure English translation. 'Aina has always meant *makua hine* (Mother God, or to most people "the mother land"). This meaning, which applied to sharing, caring, and growing in Hawai'i, gradually changed after Cook's arrival. After periods of abuse, it finally lost its true meaning and purpose.

'Olelo is just as important as 'aina and needs to be saved and revived. If you want to stand as a native of the land, and prove your ownership to the land ('Aina), you should be able to speak the language of the natives of that 'aina, 'olelo Hawai'i.

'Olelo is not just language; it is culture, history, and the way of life. It's the strength created by the *kanaka* (the people), the feelings inspired by the 'ohana (Hawaii's society) and by the people with Native blood.

'Aina can still go to its original form. That is why it is important to Hawai'i's native people, to be granted legal ownership of the 200,000 acres of land, which was passed through the legislative process of 1920, but never implemented.

My kokua for the past 16 years with Native Hawaiians has been concentrated to bring the two vital elements above back into reality. I've been a strong advocate of 'olelo Hawai'i. History shows that other nations have lost their identity and land, once they've been forced not to speak their own mother language. I've participated in many rallies on Hawaiian rights issues with Hawaiian non-profit organizations.

I'm advocating now, and hopefully at the Legislature, to make Hawaiian language a mandatory subject in as many grade levels as possible.

Hawaiian can easily be learned. I'm a living example of that, and still working on it.

My other efforts will be in land justifications for Native Hawaiians, and other plans to improve the living conditions of the communities where Native Hawaiians and other native inhabitants live.

I'm planning to write bills to improve our *kalo* (taro patches), and bring back our *na loko i'a* (Hawaiian fish ponds), to save reef fish and produce more local food.

If we don't get involved in politics of our 'aina, our living environment will go from bad to worse, and there will be no one to blame but ourselves. As you can see, it is happening very rapidly.

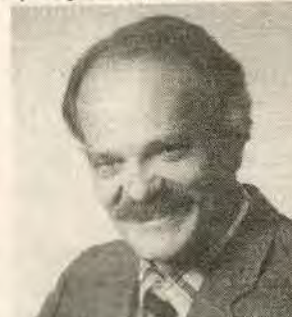
A society's problems can be overcome, but it takes dedication and giving by all its members.

Those of you who know me, know I'm a fighter, and as a legislator, will try my best to get a lot of work done and overcome some nasty problems we're facing today.

Please keep in touch.

Write to: Steve Tataii, P.O. Box 11042, Honolulu, Hawai'i, 96828 or call 732-1988.

Mahalo a nui loa ia oukou apau. A hui hou, aloha.



Rep. Dist. 28 (Makiki, Kaimuki)

Mark Au (R)

\*Jim Shon (D)

No statements were received from candidates

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**Rep. Dist. 30 (Waikiki, Ala Wai)**  
**Nyle Roberts (L)**

My name is Nyle Roberts. I am running for the Waikiki 30th representative district. I grew tired of all the money that corrupts our political parties. Tired of the lack of discussion about the real issues that effect the quality of our lives.



After 30 years of voting for Democrats and Republicans I have come to realize that they are not independent. Both are beholden to big money. It is the speculators and real estate developers who get the ear of our leadership. This year I chose to switch to a truly independent party: the Libertarians. The Democrats and Republicans won't talk about the large amounts of money and the insiders that it creates because they know it would kill the goose that lays the golden eggs. Everyone who gives a vote to one of the old parties gives their approval for things to be done that way.

Our leadership always keeps us talking about material things. Taking sides in their battles over buildings, railroads and who owns what. All the while they keep us fighting over these things they are taking in millions in contributions from speculators and real estate developers who are first in line to have their interest taken care of.

What about our relationships with each other? This is where we need real leadership: A leadership that returns us to a kinder, gentler Hawai'i. A Hawai'i where universal respect for others is the means to eliminate crime. One that cares about the world because we are the world. One that leads us back to personal compassion instead of leaving it up to others and the government to do the caring.

The most important issue I see facing Hawaiian voters is the same issue that we all must face: We must hold on to and revive our spiritual heritage. That heritage speaks of our relationships with each other, our relationship with all life and of all relationship with our land that we call home. The basis of all relationships is the same relationship that God has with us: love. We must learn to love our neighbors, love all life and give loving care to the land.

Love begins with respect. We must respect each other and the government must respect its citizens. We need to elect government leaders who are willing to respect the Hawaiian people by giving them sovereignty over their own lands.

If we want a loving and peaceful world we have to pay more attention to "the way" we do things. The question that must be answered is what kind of a world do we want right now? My answer is a kinder and gentler world.

Kinder in that we honor God's gifts to each one by respecting their freedom and equality. Gentler by choosing forgiveness over persecution when a brother or sister makes a mistake in our eyes. Gentler in that we would never force or coerce anyone to follow our judgements.

Listen to your heart when you go to vote.

### Why vote?

**OHA Chairman Thomas K. Kaulukui, Sr.**

"Voting is a right and a privilege . . . It is important for Hawaiians to vote for those who will look out for concerns . . . If Hawaiians are the third largest ethnic group in the state, we can make an impact. 133,000 votes can sway any election. We can win if Hawaiian voters decide to vote as a block."

**Duke Bainum (D)**

No statement was received from candidate

**Stan Snodgrass (R)**

The issues facing native Hawaiians today, are the same they have faced for many years. The issues are many and diverse. Lands, housing, protection of cultural heritage and language. However, the most important issue is one of their ability to determine what they need, what they want, and to present a unified voice in presenting those concerns. They must prioritize those needs in a realistic manner and proceed with a single purpose and force.



OHA, having arrived at its program and priorities, should then make a presentation to the various legislators, that they may take that information to their respective caucuses. I would be pleased to be that spokesman in the Republican caucus.

I would propose to meet with the appropriate OHA officers to assist, in every way possible, to promote those programs and provide a voice in the House.

As a long time resident of our Waikiki/Ala Wai district, I have seen it change from a beautiful beach resort enjoyed by local residents as well as tourists, to a neighborhood made virtually impenetrable by traffic jams, ugly with concrete towers and unhealthy because of car and truck exhaust.

I have seen the deterioration of much of the Hawaiian culture. When I first came to Waikiki, I fished in the Ala Wai. Today, the Ala Wai is a filthy sewer, harboring not only garbage, rubber tires and rusted auto parts, but a bacterial count that is dangerous to anyone who paddles through it.

The leadership I offer will be active in assaulting plans and proposals that negatively impact on our neighborhoods and Hawai'i. I promise, both you and the full Legislature will hear my voice.

**Rep. Dist. 34 (Liliha, Alewa Heights)**

**Paul K. Au (R)**

**Suzanne Chun (D)**

No statements were received from candidates

**Rep. Dist. 35 (Kakaako, downtown)**

**Chuck Fasi (R)**

I'm running for office because over the last four years things have been getting tougher and tougher. It seems no matter how hard my wife and I work, the dreams we have for our future are farther from our reach than ever before. Homes are unaffordable, rents are unbearable, and our taxes are unreasonably high. We're all struggling just to provide the basics for our families.



Most importantly, I'm running because this is my home, I love Hawai'i. While I could have moved to the mainland where things are easier, like many of our island sons and daughters, I've chosen to stay and raise my family here! Because of that, I'm determined to make sure that life in Hawai'i is not made any more difficult because of what state government does and doesn't do!

Ask yourselves why the same old problems we've had year after year have finally reached crisis proportions? Why, as our state prospers with a great economic boom our lives have not gotten any better? Why, with our people paying the highest taxes in the nation, we cannot keep school lunches below 50 cents or maintain schools so they're fire safe? Why is it that we can propose to spend \$2.5 million on airports for more tourists

and yet cannot adequately fund basic programs which serve our people directly?

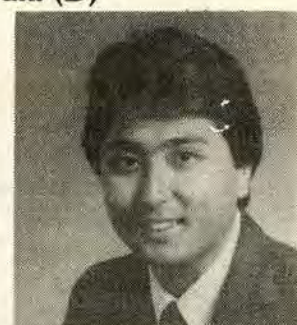
Ask yourselves why after 70 years only 3,000 families have received homesteads from the Hawaiian Homes Act? That because of disgraceful inaction, the waiting list has exploded to 20,000. Consider that there is still no inventory/appraisal nor any real discussion on the control or management of your land. Land provides strength and culture and is therefore of primary importance to the future of all Hawaiians. How your land is used and controlled will determine the benefits you receive from it. This is what the Hawaiian people should be fighting for!

Let there be no doubt. The issues which confront our state today affect everyone! Affordable housing and rentals, high cost of living, taxes, education, crime, foreign investment, real estate speculation are a few of the problems which we must address now, if we are to have the future we desire for ourselves and our children. The bottom line is that state government has lost track of what's important. It should be working for us instead of we working for it! It must begin to provide for our needs first! After all, a state is only as strong as you and I!

I'm optimistic that we can do what needs to be done! I believe that my strong conviction and determination to do what's right will make things happen. Solutions can be found but, to find them we cannot afford any longer to conduct the business of state government in a manner that's grown comfortable and convenient for the last 35 years. Real solutions to hard problems are never so easy!

**\*Ken Hiraki (D)**

During the past four years that I have served as representative for the 35th district, I have supported legislation favorable to the Hawaiian people. Additional measures must be enacted for the education and training of Hawaiian youth and adults that they may compete successfully in their pursuits of higher education and better jobs.



I feel that the most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA during the next five years is obtaining increased funding for the infrastructure development of laws designated as Hawaiian Home Lands in order that assignment of leases may be expedited. The continued existence of long waiting lists of eligible applicants for home and agricultural sites due to lack of funding for power, water, sewage disposal, and streets is not justified.

I am certain that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs can develop a five-year budget specifying priorities for infrastructure development. The legislature, working with the executive branch of government, can then determine the amounts and sources of moneys for meeting these critical needs.

As a continuing member of the Economic Development and Hawaiian Affairs Committee, I shall be able to provide direction and support for bills meeting the best interests of Native Hawaiians.

**Rep. Dist. 39 (Kapalama, Foster Village)**

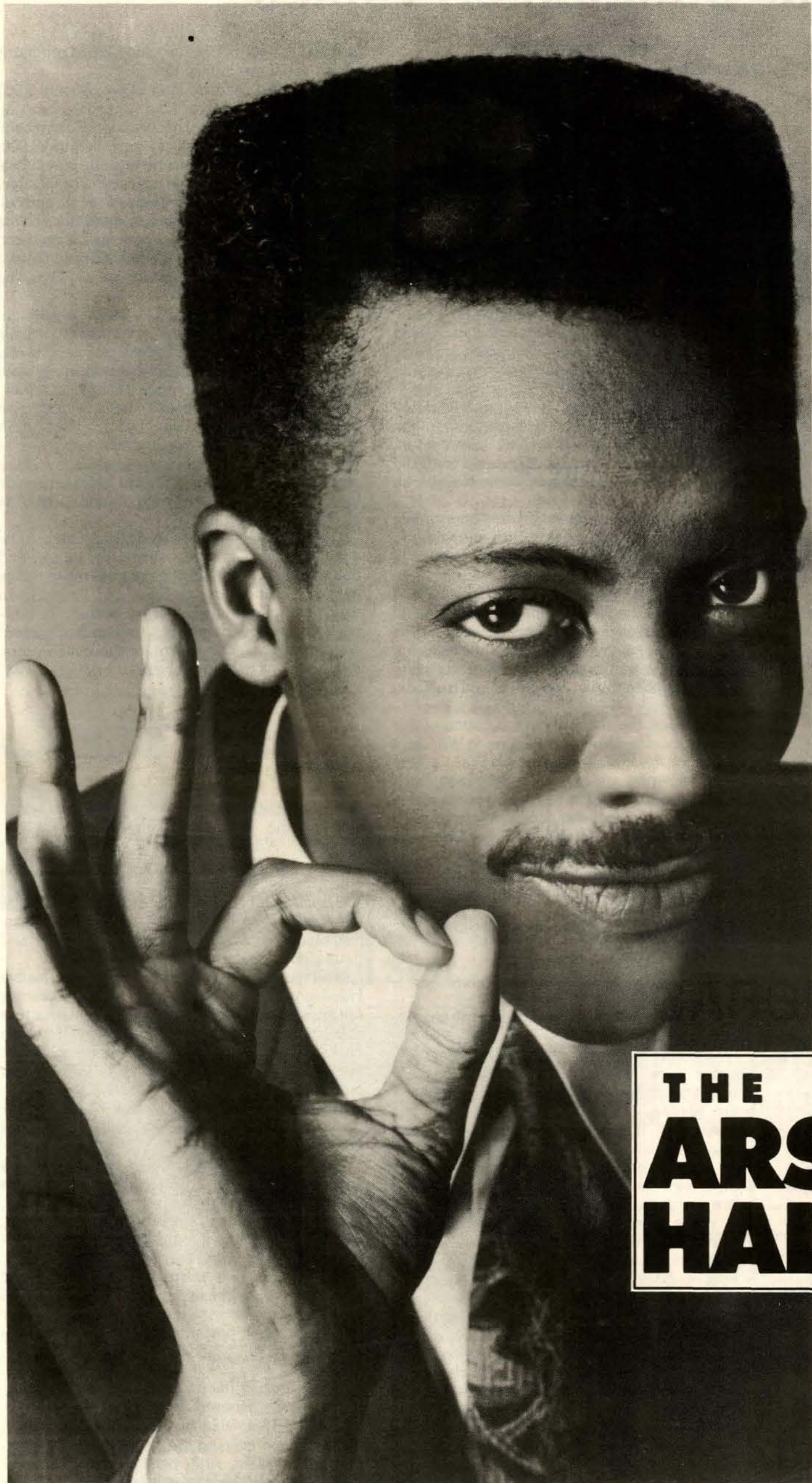
**\*Romy Cachola (D)**

I believe that OHA has made great strides in assessing and defining the issues that are important to Hawaiians. After nearly a decade of existence, it is now necessary to develop programs and efforts which will allow OHA to reach some of its goals.

In this regard, I believe that a stronger effort must be made to make lands available for housing and homesteading. More of an effort must be made to review health care and those particular

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## State House

Rep. Dist. 39

health problems that confront those of Hawaiian ancestry.

**Connie Chun (R)**

No statement was received from candidate.

Rep. Dist. 41 (Halawa, Aiea)

**\*Tom Okamura (D)**

The most important issue OHA and Native Hawaiians face really revolves around the multitude of issues related to self-governance for the Native Hawaiian people. This major question will involve the recognition and establishment of a sovereign entity which will govern Native Hawaiian affairs. This venture will involve complex challenges and tremendous opportunities for Native Hawaiians over the next five years. For example, there will be complicated questions involving:



1) jurisdiction over ceded and Hawaiian Home lands;

2) political relationships between the new entity, OHA, the State of Hawai'i and the United States;

3) political powers the State and U.S. will recognize in the new entity;

4) providing financial and economic assistance and compensation for the past uses of land and resources to the new entity; and

5) the transition to self-governance for Native Hawaiians so that there will be minimal political disruption.

In the course of the debate over these concerns, OHA will be faced with tremendous tasks and opportunities to properly plan and allocate its limited resources to benefit the Hawaiian people. I would urge OHA to actively include its beneficiaries in this planning process, especially in light of the expanded resources it received this year from the ceded lands settlement recently approved by the 1990 Legislature.

Many of the questions which will arise in addressing this issue will require the consensus of the Native Hawaiian people and some long-term planning, perhaps by the Office of State Planning. Nevertheless, all state government officials should immediately place enhanced priority on the recurrent problems involving Hawaiians for which the state is currently responsible as a trustee to demonstrate its resolve. For example, we must make major improvements to the administration

of the Hawaiian Home Lands program. Over 14,000 Native Hawaiians wait for homesteads. It has been estimated that it will cost \$925 million to place them on their lands. Yet, this program receives only 0.1% of our entire state operating budget. We cannot do it alone.

If we are to place priority on resolving the immense problems of this program, we must make a more serious financial and political commitment. We must get more federal help—financially and otherwise. This land base is just a part of the larger dominion over which Native Hawaiians should obtain ultimate control, so they can be masters of their own destiny. The U.S. can affirm its trust responsibility to Native Hawaiians by ratifying the "purpose" clause, recently enacted by the 1990 Legislature, and make good on its commitment.

The state government should continue to help by following the pledge it made in Article XII, Sections 1-3 of our state constitution. OHA should integrate its recently acquired ceded land revenues (about \$8.5 million annually plus a package estimated to be worth \$100 million) to finance capital improvements on homestead land through general bond financing.

I look forward to working with OHA and other Hawaiian agencies to meet these challenges. I pledge my cooperation. But without the initiative from those directly affected, we cannot make long term changes together for their benefit. I will seek

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## State House

Rep. Dist. 41

guidance from a unified Hawaiian community and leadership.

**Gerard J. Lebrecht (R)**

No statement was received from candidate.

Rep. Dist. 48 (Nanakuli, Maili)

**\*Henry Haalilio Peters (D)**

Our communities on the Wai'anae Coast — Nanakuli, Maili, Wai'anae and Makaha—share a number of common problems. Some of these problems are statewide concerns as well. Among the most important issues for Leeward coast residents are the supply of moderately priced housing, traffic congestion, education, crime and drugs.

### Housing

In response to the housing need, the Legislature has increased assistance for the construction of more affordable housing and placed \$145 million in the Homes Revolving Fund to assist low-income and first-time home buyers. In addition, housing development on Hawaiian Home Lands such as in the Nanakuli and Wai'anae Homestead areas remains a priority and homestead development has been accelerated with more than \$50 million available for infrastructure improvements.

### Traffic

Traffic congestion and the conditions along Farrington Highway are also important to our community. Traffic safety improvements as well as improvements needed to accommodate increased usage and the development of an alternate emergency evacuation route are among the key legislative actions taken to relieve the traffic and transportation problems of the 48th district.

### Education

Education is the key to unlocking the vast potential of our greatest resource — our children. I was very fortunate to be involved in the creation of the Special Needs Schools program which provides millions of dollars over and above the Department of Education (DOE) budget to certain schools including those on the Wai'anae Coast.

### Crime and Drugs

Intervention, prevention and information are part of the overall strategies being used in our ongoing campaign to win the war on drugs. From improving our community services to establishing tougher laws to assist in the crackdown on dangerous and harmful drugs, the commitment has been made.

The OHA Editor has asked that we identify in this article the most important issue facing Native Hawaiians and OHA in the next five years.

### Hawaiian Trust Assets

However I believe that elected trustees to OHA are responsible for identifying OHA's major issues and they deserve high marks for the outstanding work that they have done. One of the most important issues that the OHA trustees have identified is that of sovereignty and trust assets.

On the subject of trust assets OHA has recently taken a strong and commendable position by adopting a resolution entitled "Opposing any further loss of the Native Hawaiian land base through governmental intrusion." According to the resolution "... the Hawaiian community has been an unwilling witness to the steady and relentless diminishing of the trusts provided them by their ali'i ..."

The OHA Trustees' position against the Land Reform Act is clear. "The Land Reform Act of

1967 has been particularly effective at eroding that special land base the ali'i set for their people, forcing sales at lowest possible prices even against the wishes of the beneficiaries ... The resolution concludes that OHA "... strongly opposes any existing and proposed legislation, such as mandatory conversion of residential, agricultural, industrial, and commercial leasehold that force landowners to convey title to their real property upon demand of the lessees."

I urge all Hawaiians to vote in the upcoming General Election on Tuesday, November 6!

Imua!

**Rory Horning (R)**

No statement was received from candidate.

Rep. Dist. 49 (Waianae, Makaha, N. Kauai)

**\*Peter Apo (D)**

The four most important issues facing Hawai'i are educational reform, affordable housing, health, and the environment.

However, these problems are difficult for government to address because democracy is not a very expedient process when trying to build consensus. Over the years the general public has demanded greater checks and balances in government decision making. This is a Catch-22 situation that protects the public from capricious decisions, yet has resulted in a slow-moving system of time-consuming processes.

As for Native Hawaiians and OHA, I believe sovereignty is the most important issue in the next five years. How can we bring control of the resources held in trust for Hawaiians under the direct control of the Hawaiian community? It is obvious that having these resources held "in trust" has not worked and that the record of both state and federal authorities in such trust management has been more than dismal and less than honest.

My preference of a sovereignty model is one incorporating a representative democracy of elected Hawaiians in the form of a congress, with jurisdiction over all resources to which the Hawaiian community is already entitled by law. With a fully operational congress in place, armed with more than adequate resources, we would then have an authoritative forum to address other issues as reparations and Hawaiian Home Lands.

**Barbara Hodges (R)**

1. The most important issue is to clearly define the purpose and goal of each agency and officer's position.

2. To set these purposes and goals to a vote of the people and let majority rule.

3. To remove people from positions if they do not carry out the directives.

4. To replace anyone with conflict of interest regarding goals of the Native Hawaiians. Break the "we know what's best" old boy rule.

5. To carefully identify the motives of each person in the chain of events reaching any particular goal.

6. Recognize and accept the fact that Hawaiians have no land because it is willfully held back until enough 50 percenters die so that there will be no one to claim their birthright.

7. Recognize and accept the fact that the collective body of Hawaiians would be the richest and most powerful group in Hawai'i if they were lease

holders—not space-keepers waiting in line.

8. Smokescreens are being created to confuse the issues when the answers are simple. Give everyone qualified their piece of land now. Survey, subdivide, award.

9. Then help leaseholders form strong associations and request funds, grants and other help from a position of competition and strength, rather than from weakness of separation.

10. Open offices in every corner of the islands and help Hawaiians fill out their papers. Contract with small nonprofits to do the work.

"Access to process" is the weapon to defeat the people.

Education and truth are the tools they need to build their dream; a home in Hawai'i, and Hawaiian control of the assets of the Hawaiian nation.

## Uncontested races

The following candidates were uncontested in the primary election and were automatically elected. Their names will not appear on the general election ballot.

### State Senate

- 3rd district: Malama Solomon (D)
- 13th district: Bertrand Kobayashi (D)
- 16th district: Russell Blair (D)
- 17th district: Anthony Chang (D)
- 19th district: Dennis Nakasato (D)
- 22nd district: Eloise Tungpalan (D)
- 25th district: Lehua Fernandes Salling (D)

### State House

- 2nd district: Harvey Tajiri (D)
- 3rd district: Wayne Metcalf (D)
- 4th district: Dwight Takamine (D)
- 8th district: Herbert Honda (D)
- 10th district: Roz Baker (D)
- 13th district: Robert Bunda (D)
- 15th district: Reb Bellinger (D)
- 17th district: Marshall Ige (D)
- 25th district: Calvin Say (D)
- 27th district: Brian Taniguchi (D)
- 29th district: David Hagino (D)
- 31st district: Carol Fukunaga (D)
- 32nd district: Mazie Hirono (D)
- 33rd district: Rod Tam (D)
- 36th district: Dwight Yoshimura (D)
- 37th district: Dennis Arakaki (D)
- 38th district: Emilio Alcon (D)
- 40th district: Karen Horita (D)
- 42nd district: Clarice Hashimoto (D)
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- 44th district: Noboru Yonamine (D)
- 45th district: Julie Duldulao (D)
- 46th district: Paul Oshiro (D)
- 47th district: Annette Amaral (D)
- 50th district: Ezra Kanoho (D)
- 51st district: Bertha Kawakami (D)

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# Democrats view Hawaiian issues

by Ed Thompson

## Democratic Party of Hawai'i

For nearly 200 years, the Democratic Party has been the party of the people, committed to the ideals of freedom, fairness, equality, and justice. As leaders, we renew our commitment to the values we believe in. We set high standards and dedicate ourselves to honor them. We instill a sense of community and social responsibility. As leaders, we strive to strengthen our people. We believe in the rights of the individual and family self-sufficiency to freely pursue personal interest and goals; to achieve the highest limits of their talents and efforts; to enjoy life, liberty and happiness.

As leaders, we continue to build a strong, viable economy, characterized by stability, diversity and growth. We must maintain a desired physical environment, enhanced with beauty and cleanliness. We must continue to provide for open accountable government, distinguished by the highest ethical standards. We must nourish the aloha spirit and foster attitudes of tolerance, respect, cooperation, and unselfish giving.

We believe that Hawai'i's future is in her people; and strive to create a community where residents live with pride, respect, and dignity. We aspire for community and social well-being, where basic needs for food, clothing, health care, and shelter are adequately met and seen as a right. As a community comprised of strong individuals, we pledge to create a society that fosters self-confidence, self-reliance, and self-determination within the framework of a healthy family.

The Democratic Party will . . . support sovereignty and self-determination for Hawaiians by promoting social, health and economic programs that advance their welfare and political status in society and perpetuate their cultural heritage.

We believe in the right of all citizens to meaningfully participate in the process of government; and that government was created to assist individuals

and families achieve their personal aspiration; maintain a community that is fair and equal; and contribute to society's betterment. For all people, we believe in equality, human rights and justice. We favor equal opportunity, treatment and rights for the disabled, elderly, mentally ill, poor, and other disadvantaged groups. We renew our confidence in the Bill of Rights guaranteed to us by the United States Constitution; and strive for a society that is free and fair. To the protection of civil liberties of each individual — we pledge the conscience of the party. The Democratic Party will . . . secure full control over all our lands, including Kaho'olawe, and to stop the bombing of our 'aina. The Democratic Party will . . . support Native Hawaiian rights to land and water.

What have Democratic Party leaders done for Hawaiians?

### Senator Daniel Akaka:

- \$1.2 million grant to continue infrastructure development projects on HHL, under the Community Development Block Grant program.

- \$6.5 million for Native Hawaiian Education Act programs.

- Native Hawaiian vocational funds of about \$2 million annually since 1985.

- Native Hawaiian library assistance and book mobile funds of about \$600,000 annually since 1985.

- \$3.8 million from the Native Hawaiian Health Care Act.

- \$500,000 for study of hearing loss problems among Native Hawaiian children.

- \$750,000 for mental health research and professional training targeted for Native Hawaiian alcohol, drug abuse and mental health problems.

- Native Hawaiian revolving loan program to assist small businesses — \$2 million since 1988.

- Introduced Senate resolution to require U.S. government to establish and recognize trust responsibility to Native Hawaiian people.

- Introduced measure to enable Hawaiian

Home Lands farmers to receive loans from U.S. Farmers Home Administration.

- Pushing for federal assistance to Home Lands farmers by providing water meters and connecting pipes for irrigation.

- Introduced a measure to stop the bombing of Kaho'olawe and return it to Hawai'i.

### Senator Spark Matsunaga:

- Cosponsor of legislation calling for the preservation of the Native Hawaiian language, and other Native American languages.

- Cosponsor of the Native Hawaiian Education Act, elementary and secondary Education Act amendments of 1987.

- Cosponsor of legislation to protect Native Hawaiian religious freedom.

- First member of congress to introduce a Native Hawaiian Claims Settlement Act.

### Sen. Daniel K. Inouye

- Jointly with Sen. Daniel Akaka, \$18.9 million for Native Hawaiian Health and Education programs.

- Jointly with Daniel Akaka, \$1.2 million for infrastructure purposes for Hawaiian Home Lands.

- Secured senate approval for the Richard Lyman-Gladys Brandt Fellowship program for studies in excellence.

At the state level, through the Democratic leadership of Governor John Waihee, the Native Hawaiian community has seen more opportunities, some of which are:

- Ensuring that DHHL's operating expenses are paid from the general fund, not DHHL revenues, making it possible to redirect \$3-4 million a year.

- Making more money available to DHHL creating possibility for DHHL to provide home-steads and homes — 450 by the end of 1990 and 750 by 1992.

As we enter the 21st century, the Democratic Party will continue to fight for the ideals of freedom, fairness, equality and justice

Ua mau ke ea o ka 'aina i ka pono.

# Hawaiian issues as seen by GOP

by Linden A. Burzell

## 3rd Vice Chairman and Chairman, Platform Committee Republican Party of Hawai'i

Where does the Republican Party of Hawai'i stand regarding issues of importance and concern to the Hawaiian people? Let me begin by quoting from the 1990 platform of the Republican Party of Hawai'i:

"The Republican Party supports self-determination for Native Hawaiians in managing their own affairs and resources. We believe that the definition of "Native Hawaiian," in terms of blood quantum or otherwise, is a matter for Native Hawaiians to resolve, and we pledge to honor their wishes as expressed by popular vote.

"Recognizing in concept a government-to-government trust responsibility similar to that afforded to other native Americans, we will work to end dependency fostered by state and federal control of ceded lands and the unlawful diversion of revenues therefrom. Hawaiian-controlled lands should be free to become enterprise zones so that Native Hawaiians can fully share in our state's future prosperity. We will work with duly constituted governing bodies to improve environmental conditions and will ensure equitable participation by Native Hawaiians in state programs in health, housing, job training and education."

Let me also quote from three resolutions passed at our 1990 State Republican Party Convention:

"Republicans call on the State Legislature and the executive branch of the government of the State of Hawai'i to do the following:

- 1) to act immediately to fulfill their long-standing obligation to provide funds and develop strategies to place all waiting families of native Hawaiians on

their ancestral lands;

- 2) to seek maximum federal assistance for this effort, including guaranteed federal home loans, farmer's home loans and federal block grants;

- 3) to defer further amendments to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, such as a "purpose clause," until there has been a full discussion which results in an understanding on the part of the Hawaiian community and the general public of the implications of such proposed changes and a consensus that such changes are needed."

"Republicans call for restoration of integrity to the process and dignity to the Hawaiian people by:

- 1) immediate renegotiation of leases of trust lands now leased to the state and private individuals on unfair terms;

- 2) supporting the use of the Hawaiian nation's assets and the proceeds of leases for the construction of homes for Hawaiians on vacant Hawaiian land;

- 3) immediate earmarking of 20 percent of the renegotiated lease fees to be dedicated to funding the infrastructure needed to implement the home-stead program and an immediate speedup of the rate at which applicants are moved onto their land;

- 4) on ceded lands which are not vacant and to which the Hawaiian nation has a legitimate claim, supporting the payment of a negotiated royalty to native Hawaiians; and finally,

- 5) a re-examination of questionable or improper use of trust lands by private individuals and government and the implementation of managerial reforms to prevent the many abuses which are likely to be discovered."

"Republicans call for state and federal legislation to permit native Hawaiians to sue the state for enforcement of the Hawaiian Homes Commission

Act in state and federal courts."

Unless these good words are translated into actions they do no practical good; translating actions into words is the job of the state Legislature and the state administration. Let's face facts: the Republican Party has been out of power in Hawai'i state government for a generation; Hawai'i's Democrats have controlled the governorship, the state Senate and House of Representatives, and the judiciary for longer than a majority of our citizens have been alive!

The simple fact is that Republicans have not been in a position for 25 years to shape state policy to any significant extent. The responsibility for the failures and abuses of the past generation lies elsewhere: Hawai'i has for three decades been governed by the Democratic Party's vision, and presumably what has happened to the Hawaiian people in that time reflects the Democratic Party's preferred future for this great people. We Republicans disagree, as our Party's official platform clearly states.

In summary, today's Republicans are deeply disturbed by the current plight and treatment of the Hawaiian people in their own land. We are committed to redress the grievances afflicted on Hawaiians once Hawai'i's people, through their support in the voting booth, give us the opportunity to show what we can do.

We believe that the time has come for the people of Hawai'i, and especially the Hawaiian people, to say "enough is enough." Give Hawai'i's Republicans a chance to put their words in action. Give the people of Hawai'i the benefit of a real two-party system with open, honest discussion followed by action in the public interest. Working together, we can build a better Hawai'i for all.



## Trustee's Views

(This column is open to all OHA Trustees as a vehicle for them to express their mana'o. Opinions expressed are those of the individual Trustees and do not necessarily represent the official position of the OHA Board of Trustees.)

### Stop the bombing once and for all!

by Moanikeala Akaka  
Trustee, Hawai'i



It is interesting and welcomed news that our Federal-elected officials are desiring the cessation of hostilities against our sacred 'aina of Kaho'olawe. After all these years of struggle to stop the bombings, there is finally acknow-

ledgement from our congress men and women that enough is enough, that the desecration of this federally-designated national historic site must stop. To continue is akin to bombing Plymouth Rock. The Sunday Honolulu Advertiser editorial of Sept. 30, stated, "Chalk it up to changing world order—or maybe to election year politics—but Hawaii's congressional delegation is strongly pushing the return of Kaho'olawe."

Last spring, Congresswoman Pat Saiki mentioned Kaho'olawe to George Bush who was "surprised the U.S. Navy was bombing a Hawaiian island." So now the secret is out; everybody knows and everybody wants to end it!

Sen. Daniel Akaka recently introduced a bill to establish a "commission to study and recommend terms and conditions for returning Kaho'olawe to the state and to prohibit its use as a bombing range . . ."

This commission was first proposed to be made up of two Navy appointees, two by the Governor,

one designated by the OHA chairman and finally a member of the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana was added—the Navy then upped their selections to three members. The addition of the PKO was an afterthought!

Let us not forget it was the PKO who has shouldered the burden of protecting Kaho'olawe, one of our main Hawaiian islands. The 'Ohana should have equal representation with the Navy—automatically. For it has been the PKO that has for all these years truly worked to protect that 'aina from harm.

For almost 15 years this grassroots island-wide group, made up of a broad racial cross-section of our populace — young and old, taro farmer, fisherman, attorney, doctors, artists, educators, hotel and airline workers, computer specialists, and others, Hawaiian and Hawaiian-at-heart — have struggled and persevered to end the desecration of this 'aina.

This nationally designated historical area has over 5,000 archaeological and cultural sites, many of which today are much the same as they were when our ancestors lived there in the 1700's. Being on the island is like stepping back in time. To protect Kaho'olawe, we of the 'Ohana used whatever nonviolent means necessary including illegal occupation: we brought lawsuits that forced the military to register the archaeological sites and allow legal monthly access so that we might bring life back to and feel the 'mana' of the special 'aina, as well as to increase the awareness of the people of these islands of the importance of Kaho'olawe as an essential link to our heritage. As a result of

the lawsuit the Navy instructed to reduce the goat population and was required to work with the PKO to plant trees and protect our historical sites. The Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana deserves representation equal to the Navy because we represent the opposite pole of interest. To the Navy, the island is a target. To us, it is a living, sacred member of our archipelago, history, cultural continuity and national integrity. It is a Hawaiian contribution to the national historical monuments, and we insist they maintain it with the same degree of respect shown to other national monuments.

Congratulations then, to all congressional delegates, Democrat and Republican alike, for agreeing on what the PKO has been struggling to impress all this time: stop the bombing of Kaho'olawe and return it to its rightful place of respect. Sen. Daniel Inouye in support of Sen. Akaka's bill stated that he "intends to use every resource available to return Kaho'olawe to the people of Hawai'i," including his chairmanship of the Senate Defense Appropriation Committee.

The Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana deserve and have earned the right to be the designated stewards and caretakers of the island of Kaho'olawe. We would like to thank all people in the state, nation and worldwide, who have been supportive of the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana.

Countless hours of sacrifice and dedication have gone into bringing this situation near to a happy conclusion—cessation of the bombing. Hopefully, we're getting some genuine movement from our federal representatives. George Helm and Kimo Mitchell paid the supreme price for the integrity of all our Hawaiian Islands.

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## Mai Wakinekona

By Paul Alexander  
Washington, D.C. Counsel for OHA



### Outlook for Native Hawaiians in the 102nd Congress



The standard two-year life of this legislative Congress, the 101st Congress, is about to end, and when it does an analysis of its accomplishments and its failure with respect to Native Hawaiians will be undertaken. Even

though the Congress is not quite over, now is the period of time when concerned and interested parties begin the process of identifying goals for the next Congress. In order to begin this process it is useful to begin with a realistic assessment of what is required to make legislative progress.

As noted in a previous column, practically all of the special Native Hawaiian legislation that has been put in place over the past 15 years, — including, for example, Administration for Native Americans grants, job training, vocational education programs, library services, parent-child centers, drug-abuse programs, special Native Hawaiian education programs, special Native Hawaiian medical program, Native Hawaiian business loan program, repatriation of Native Hawaiian remains from the Smithsonian Institution—have been packaged within other legislation.

The reason for this packaging is the realistic expectation that free-standing Native Hawaiian legislation would be vetoed by the president. The United States Department of Justice inexplicably confuses the status of Native Hawaiians with that of racial minorities, and as such opposes special or preferential treatment based on race.

Advocates for Native Hawaiians point out, of course, that under existing law the United States has a political trust obligation to Native Hawaiians as indigenous Native people that justifies preferen-

tial or special legislative treatment. The point, however, is that administration opposition must be taken into account in any long-term federal legislative strategy.

A review of the legislative successes already achieved also indicates that the subject matter of the legislation—health, education, etc.—are generally subjects where most parties agree there are needs. Although there are some disagreements over who should operate a particular program, the legislative histories, hearings and submitted testimony and letters, indicate that there was a consensus of sorts that the programs were needed.

Although absolute agreement is rarely achieved, some form of consensus within the affected community needs to be demonstrated to the Congress in order to achieve legislative goals. As the subjects become more controversial, particularly with respect to addressing the issue of sovereignty—should the Native Hawaiian community be restructured? What form(s) should that structure take? Which governmental powers should Native Hawaiians exercise? What is the proper role, if any, of the State of Hawai'i with respect to Native Hawaiians? What is the proper role for the United States with respect to Native Hawaiians, and so on — consensus seems harder to achieve.

It is unlikely that any major legislative progress will be achieved in the 102nd Congress on sovereignty until some form of consensus emerges. The August 1989 joint congressional hearings demonstrated that many Native Hawaiians wanted the issues of sovereignty more fully explained and debated in the Native community. Although various proposals for workshops on sovereignty, training session and the like, have been made, a comprehensive effort related to sovereignty issues is not yet in place. It is anticipated

that educational efforts in the area of sovereignty will be a focus during the 102nd Congress.

Another critical factor influencing the potential for legislative activity, is the funding that is anticipated to be available. As is well known the federal government is in the midst of a major financial crisis. Many of the proposals for deficit reduction either cut domestic programs, or froze funding levels (some with inflation indexed) on most domestic programs.

To date the authorizations and appropriations for Native Hawaiian programs, although numbering in the millions, have been fairly minute parts of the overall federal budget. To keep the existing level of funding, including some adjustments and even some moving of funds to programs from existing overall budgets, for Native Hawaiian programs, is still possible in the 102nd Congress. However, programs, particularly those with significant costs, such as any reparations or claims legislation for the taking of land from the Kingdom of Hawai'i, are very unlikely in today's budget climate.

A superficial review of these legislative conditions—administration opposition, the need for community consensus, and a tight federal budget—does not bode well for major legislative developments in the 102nd Congress. However, in varying degrees these three conditions have been in place throughout the last 10 years—time that produced most of the existing Native Hawaiian legislation. In fact, for much of this period there was another obstacle, the opposition of Indian tribes and groups to the inclusion of Native Hawaiians in Indian programs. Understanding the nature of the Indian concerns, along with careful coordination and dialogue with Indian tribes and groups, avoided the obstacle of Indian opposition. The same type of educated and careful approach will be necessary in 102nd Congress.

## Hawaiian issues in the 1990 elections

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### Ceded land entitlements

A major step forward in fulfillment of the OHA mandate was achieved this year when the 1990 Legislature passed the clarified OHA ceded land entitlements act. The new law will provide OHA its past due and future revenues from the use of state ceded lands. This ceded land trust entitlement must be used for the betterment of Native Hawaiians of 50 percent or more Hawaiian blood.

OHA trustees have been working with the Governor's office and other state departments to work out the fiscal details of the entitlement package and the method of payment, which may consist of moneys and/or land.

As promised during the announcement of the ceded land package in January of this year, OHA trustees and the Governor's office are also working to develop an assured entitlement to benefit Hawaiians regardless of blood quantum. This second trust is necessary because, though the law mandates OHA to serve all Hawaiians, the ceded land trust funds are restricted to serving only native Hawaiians. As a consequence, each year OHA must seek matching general funds to fulfill its charge to better conditions of all Hawaiians. Establishing this second trust will allow OHA at last to address the needs of the full Hawaiian population.

### Resolving problems of the DHHL trust

Many OHA trustee candidates and candidates in other races named the need to resolve problems of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands trust a major issue. Many felt OHA should utilize its ceded land trust revenues to resolve the infrastructure and construction needs of DHHL, though OHA's mandate is much broader than housing.

However, DHHL is a separate trust, which numerous recent hearings have stressed that it is the responsibility of both the state and federal governments to fulfill.

The state is starting to accept its responsibility. For the first time in DHHL's history, funding to cover departmental administration costs and initial funding for infrastructure development has been included in the executive budget. A plan for a DHHL funding package is being developed by DHHL and the governor's office to address this long-standing insufficiency.

Like the OHA trust clarification, such plans are responding to a "right to sue" requirement that past controversies related to the two existing trusts must be resolved and presented to the Legislature in 1991.

### Sovereignty and self-determination

The issue of Hawaiian sovereignty and self-determination was raised by many candidates, in particular candidates for OHA trustee. Clearly, there is a growing awareness and consensus in the Hawaiian community that broader self-governance must be pursued.

Continuing the work it began with development of the draft blueprint for Native Hawaiian federal claims, OHA will be looking toward development of sovereignty models at both national and state levels and sponsoring discussions among all native Hawaiians for an understanding and preliminary screening of options.

### The return of Kaho'olawe

On the eve of the election, the U.S. Senate approved legislation to establish a seven-member commission composed of U.S. Navy, state, OHA and other representatives to examine the issue

and recommend how to return the 45-acre mile military target island of Kaho'olawe to the people of Hawai'i. This legislation, co-sponsored by Sen. Daniel Inouye and Sen. Dan Akaka, is part of the fiscal 1991 defense appropriations bill. The measure would bring a halt to bombing of the island and empowers the commission to work out the specific terms of the return and other conditions. As Ka Wai Ola O OHA went to press, this measure was headed for a joint Senate-House conference committee.

What had once been viewed as a "radical" Hawaiian issue is now embraced by virtually all of Hawai'i's population, state leaders, and is now receiving national attention, through the efforts of Sens. Akaka and Inouye and Rep. Pat Saiki.

Once returned, Kaho'olawe will be the first major return of military lands in Hawai'i. Attention must now be paid to who will clear the island of unexploded ordnance, and who will pay this cost.

The question of the cleanup may set the standard for any future return of land now used by the military for live firing. Makua valley, Pohakuloa, Mokapu and other areas will be affected.

More important, when will the "safe" lands like Bellows, the Wai'anae-Kai military Reservation Recreation Center (Pokai Bay) and assorted military golf courses, be returned to their rightful owners? And who is the rightful owner—the state? or native Hawaiians?

### "Hawaiian issues" gain wider attention

How all of these issues are faced and decided will have profound effects on all Hawaiians. But the truly encouraging thing is that what were once basically "Hawaiian issues" are becoming active elements in all levels of politics—and as such, are now state and even national issues.



## Trustee's Views

(This column is open to all OHA Trustees as a vehicle for them to express their mana'o. Opinions expressed are those of the individual Trustees and do not necessarily represent the official position of the OHA Board of Trustees.)

By Clarence F. T. Ching  
Trustee, O'ahu



Election Day 1990 is right around the corner! You have been barraged with TV ads, sign wavers, canvassers, handouts of all types and lots of mail-outs.

You have been polled, asked to attend fundraisers and coffee hours and to give varied kinds of support to your favorites.

Despite all the glitz we are bombarded with, our electorate has matured noticeably in the two years since the last OHA elections. As we have grown, we have learned to read between the lines and have elevated ourselves to levels of sophistication where we can think independently — we can note the material facts of the matter, draw logical conclusions and make well-founded decisions that will affect us, our families and the rest of our people in the foreseeable future.

Since its constitutional birth in 1978, OHA has grown from a mere infant to a fine, strapping young teenager. With proper nurturing care, OHA is at that stage in its evolution where its dominant traits are starting to show and the adult it is to become is taking shape. OHA's coming of age is sure to get some members of the non-Hawaiian community concerned.

OHA's trustees have collectively developed the Master Plan and decided on the priorities that OHA should have. While there are those who don't agree, most Hawaiians, I believe, are optimistic about the prospects of OHA and the Hawaiian race and culture. OHA has been designed to be that umbrella that will accompany us on our journey to our hoped-for future — a future where Hawaiians will take our rightful place in our own land.

We need creative thinkers, rational planners, astute decision makers, prophets of the future and seers of dreams to be among the trustees on the OHA team. We need Hawaiian men and women with positive maturity and foresight to continue to lead this quest towards the future of greatest potential.

We have to ask questions of and get answers

### OHA is too young to die!

from our candidates for OHA's Board of Trustees.

Has the candidate been active in his community and has he represented Hawaiian concerns on issues of importance? On the environment? On humanitarian issues? On housing? On health? On education?

Is the candidate rational, reasonable, fair and open to your concerns?

What is the candidate's educational, philosophical and business background? Can you relate to them?

What are the candidate's age, interests and experiences? Does he or she have high-levelled principles and does he or she stand by them?

Is the candidate willing to commit to the success of OHA and the Hawaiian people beyond his family, his personal life, even his other sources of income?

Is the candidate honest? Does the candidate exude healthy measures of dignity and respect? Vision?

Does the candidate have the good health and stamina necessary to endure the physical and mental hardships of being a trustee?

Does the candidate ask the important questions and has he or she made important contributions in solving Hawaiian problems and helping guide the future direction of the Hawaiian nation?

Does the candidate participate in events and activities of the Hawaiian community and has the candidate promoted Hawaiian culture in its many aspects?

Although the qualities listed here may be hard to assess relative to any particular candidate, if we have learned to discern the real issues and make the right decisions, we will elect able trustees to continue to sail our OHA canoe.

While the qualities enumerated here are positive ones, unbelievably and unfortunately, there are trustee candidates who may have other things on their minds. They may have their own special purposes whatever those purposes may be.

An example of what I'm talking about is the recent offer by an association of "experts" fronted by a few Hawaiians that would give to them 20 percent of all deals negotiated or brought to fruition by OHA with their "assistance," no matter how miniscule their involvement.

As an initial step, they suggested that OHA should collateralize lands that may be coming to

OHA in order to borrow \$10 million. The proceeds were to be split two ways — \$5 million to them and \$5 million to OHA. Paybacks were to be made by percentage of participation.

Such a one-sided deal as this would have the potential to reap megabucks for the non-OHA participant without having to put down any up-front money and having to incur no risk. Having no money at risk and having the potential to pocket millions of dollars is a much, much sweeter deal than that of the Fasi kids who made \$100,000 out of a \$5,000 "investment" in West Loch Estates.

For the trustees to begin to consider closing a deal such as this is absurd. It's a ripoff.

Alternatively, the "investors" should be willing to put down some hard dollars for the opportunity to make an honest return on their investment.

However, if I were a gambler, I'd bet that there are trustee candidates who favor such a deal.

Another example of what I am talking about is reflected in a couple of lines from a recent report written by Charles M. Ka'ai'ai, president of Pahe'ehe'e Ridge Association, to the State Council of Hawaiian Homestead Associations (SCHHA) that has somehow gotten into my hands and has captured my eye. In speaking about the "real concerns of SCHHA," on page 5 of his report, Mr. Ka'ai'ai wrote:

The only clear position taken was submitted orally in October of 1989. It was stated that the purpose of the SCHHA slate was to get the majority of the OHA commission (sic) votes and fold up OHA.

After much thought about the possible meanings of the quote, only one valid interpretation is possible. At the risk of being called a mud-slinger or negative campaigner, I will elucidate no further. You can make your own conclusions.

Auwe! Auwe! Auwe!

As indications become clearer that OHA is on the right path towards solidifying the dream of the Hawaiian majority and is beginning to show promise in clarifying the directions and steps that need to be taken, it is our collective obligation to elect the best qualified trustees to take OHA and Hawaiians on the next quantum leap. You have the tools to do it.

OHA is too young to die!

### Stand and be counted, exercise your vote

by A. Frenchy DeSoto,  
Trustee-at-large



In the October issue of Ka Wai Ola, I shared with you a basic evaluation of my involvement in our community. In this evaluation, I shared some of the steps that went into the preparation of eventual self-determination. Preparation

yesterday for today and now tomorrow. The Constitutional Convention of 1978 began a process that has tremendous and significant implications for tomorrow.

The 1978 Constitutional Convention committee of the whole report #13 says: "The establishment of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs was intended to grant rights of self-determination and self-governance to Hawaiians. OHA was designated to further the cause of self-government. OHA was envisioned to be a stepping stone to the eventual evolution of a self-government. All Hawaiians have

unique legal status, and the establishment of OHA was seen as a beginning for Hawaiians, with powers of regulation over their internal and social problems."

Never before have we po'e Hawai'i been able to have a forum to address our specific issues, until now. Never in too long a time has the Hawaiian vote been courted and solicited as it is today. You hear prospective candidates profess to have nothing but the best interest of the Hawaiian at heart. Promises of the return of Kaho'olawe, protection of the Home Lands, sovereignty, fills the mouths of prospective candidates.

Stand tough, Hawaiian. If it walks like a duck, quacks like a duck, in all probability, it is a duck. Stand and be counted, exercise your right to vote. Numbers is the game, stand and be counted.

What our Hawaiian community needs, is people with visionary mana. People who are stuck in their own self-glorification is not what we need. We need people who have proven themselves, by their commitment, sacrifice, honesty and integrity. The choice is eventually yours, chose wisely, and then vote.

I share your dreams of working to build or rebuild the wall of moral righteousness so that our children will be able to have a home, jobs and remain here in the land of their ancestors. We are able to manage our own resources and determine our destiny for ourselves.

We must prepare for tomorrow, today. I call upon the kupuna. More than ever. We need the kupuna's patience and aloha to carry the stones of righteousness in the preparation for tomorrow. Kupuna, the backbone of building for the future, acknowledge the unquestionable truth that all Hawaiians descend from Hawaiians. Kupuna are the pomaikai of today and yesterday, fully committed to the building for tomorrow. Kupuna realize that power for the sake of power is useless unless, done in the name of Iesu Christo, moe 'uhane nothing without the divine guidance and spirituality that is an intricate part of kupuna values.

The future is not only promising, but very exciting, slow and long in coming, but almost upon us. Mai e na kupuna, na makua, na 'opio a pau, mai hana pono a pau. Mahalo.



## Why vote in the OHA, general election?

**Winona Rubin**

**Director, State Dept. of Human Services**

Each election year an appeal goes out to all citizens to register and vote on election day. In recent years we have seen tied races and those in which the election was won by a handful of votes, so we realize the importance of a single vote in determining a win or lose outcome. But, how many of us have considered the other hidden messages (kaona) we transmit through voting, particularly the important impact of Hawaiians as voters in this election?

Each Hawaiian who chooses not to vote expresses the following messages:

1) I agree with the stereotype — I'm too dumb and lazy to vote, even though I can register by mail and vote by absentee ballot if needed;

2) I don't care who gets elected. I prefer to fish, surf or party on election day and not even think about influencing what happens to Hawai'i in the future;

3) Despite the major progress made to date and more negotiations in process toward returning money and land to Hawaiians, I don't care who is elected to OHA so that they can wisely manage those increasing resources on my behalf;

I believe that the majority of Hawaiians are

vitaly concerned about Hawaii's future for everyone. We are intent on making the public mechanism for addressing our needs — OHA — the strongest possible, particularly through this election and ongoing monitoring. We accept no excuses for failing to exercise our right to vote as a responsibility for ensuring that *loka'i* and *malama 'aina* are practiced in government. We must take responsibility on behalf of future generations for what happens to Hawaii nei by voting and participating in government. To vote is to care.

**William S. Richardson, Chairman  
Board of Trustees  
Kamehameha Schools/Bishop Estate**

Hawaii's State Constitution includes the statement, "We reserve the right to control our destiny, to nurture the integrity of our people and our culture, and to preserve the quality of life that we desire." That should remind us that it is up to us to control our own destiny. And in a democracy, the way we do that is by voting.

As Hawaiians, we need to get more involved in the electoral process to preserve what we have left of our culture and lands. We cannot dwell on what's been lost; that's history. What we can do is work together to save what's left and move forward (imua) from there.

Kamehameha Schools/Bishop Estate has been trying to push forward on behalf of the Hawaiian people for more than a century.

As we've grown, we've learned the necessity of having the support of our elected officials. Not just to support our programs and initiatives, but to protect the physical legacy left for us by Bernice Pauahi Bishop.

It's up to us to vote for the people who understand where we've come from and who want to help us move ahead, and then we've got to support them and work with them once they get in.

## OHA Election from page 1

Walk-in absentee balloting is possible approximately 10 days before the OHA election. This is done at the city/county clerk's office. The absentee polling place is open during business hours on weekdays and in the morning on Saturdays.

Applications for mail-in absentee ballots for the general election will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 30. Applications are available from the county clerk's office. For more information call the state Voter Hotline at 1-453-VOTE or call the county clerk office on each island.

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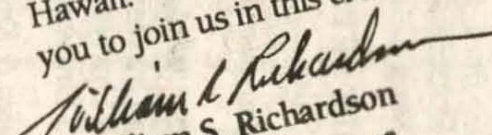
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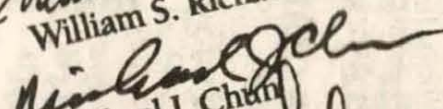
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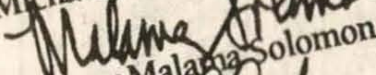
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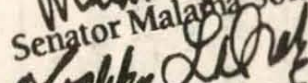
- He has delivered \$2.4 million in the past two years for Hawaiian Home Lands;
- He authored the Native Hawaiian Education Act of 1988, resulting in \$11.5 million to develop special programs for Native Hawaiian children, for scholarships, and to help those with learning problems as well as the gifted and talented;
- He authored the Native Hawaiian Health Care Act of 1988, which meant \$2.5 million for maternal and infant health care, development of a health master plan, and scholarships for health professionals.

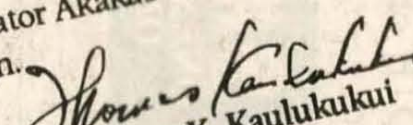
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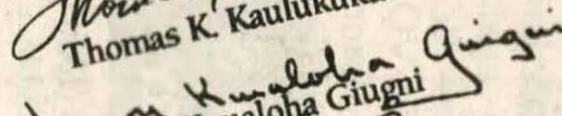
  
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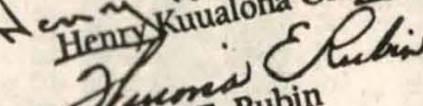
  
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