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# SENATE RE-ORG

This long election cycle has come to a close after Tuesday, Nov. 2nd. There are several new faces now among Hawaii State's elected officials. Within our own urban core of Honolulu, I welcome City Council Members Stanley Chang and Tulsi Gabbard Tamayo.

I take my hat off to everyone who runs to serve the people. It is not an easy thing to do.

As we approach the commencement of the 26th Legislature, we bid Aloha to our Senate President Colleen Hanabusa, who will serve us well in our nation's capitol. And with these changes occurring, the Senate is reorganizing. A new set of leaders is emerging.

Additionally, the Senate Standing Committees will be changing. I will now be serving in a leadership capacity as Majority Leader, as well as chairing the Committee of Hawaiian Affairs.

Here's a breakdown of the new leadership and committee chairs:



Senate President Shan Tsutsui



Senate
Vice
President
Donna
Mercado Kim

#### THE STATE SENATE LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS INCLUDE:

President	Shan Tsutsui
Vice President	Donna Mercado Kim
Ways & Means	David Ige
Ways & Means Vice Chair	Michelle Kidani
Majority Leader	Brickwood Galuteria
Floor Leader	Les Ihara, Jr.
Caucus Leader	Ron Kouchi
Majority Whip	Suzanne Chun Oakland
Majority Whip	Will Espero
Judiciary & Labor	Clayton Hee
Commerce & Consumer Protection	Rosalyn Baker
Agriculture & Housing	Donovan Dela Cruz
Committee of Investigative Af- fairs	Donna Mercado Kim
Economic Development & Technology	Carol Fukunaga
Education	Jill Tokuda
Energy & Environment	Mike Gabbard
Hawaiian Affairs	Brickwood Galuteria
Health	Josh Green, M.D.
Human Services	Suzanne Chun Oakland
Public Safety & Military Affairs	Will Espero
Tourism	Donna Mercado Kim
Transportation & International Affairs	J. Kalani English
Water & Land	Russell Kokubun

#### **WAIKIKI**



KAKA 'AKO/ALA MOANA



**DOWNTOWN** 



CHINATOWN



**PALAMA** 



WHAT A DIVERSE COMMUNITY!

# **KE AO HOU - A New Beginning**

### <u>University of Hawaii breaks ground for</u> the Cancer Center in Kaka'ako

Cancer touches the lives of nearly all Hawaii residents, whether is be one's self, family member or dear friend. The average number of cancer cases each year nears 6,000 incidences. But October 28th marked the new beginning, one where we might envision a Hawaii without cancer. The UH Cancer Center will be a world class operation focusing on research, collaboration and quality care located in Kaka'ako, adjoining the John A Burns School of Medicine.

The festivities marking the ground-breaking and blessing included heart-felt speeches by US Sen. Dan Inouye and Senator Roz Baker, a cancersurvivor herself. The completion date for construction and center opening is scheduled to occur in 2013.

For more information about the center, see their website:

www.crch.org



The UH Cancer Center is affiliated with UH Manoa. The Center is one of 65 Premier research organizations in the country designated by the Natl. Cancer Institute. Its mission is to reduce the burden of cancer through science, and to ensure a healthier future for the people of the state.

### **UNDERSTANDING HOMELESSNESS—The Way Forward**

I recently returned from a trip to the mainland specifically focused on examining models from other states' and municipalities' comprehensive plans to address homelessness. I first went to Seattle to meet with Mr. Bill Block, the Executive Director of King County's Committee to End Homelessness as well as leaders from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Their model for public/private partnership is strong and I intend to work on modeling such a plan for implementation in Hawaii

Additionally, I attended a week's executive education at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. The focus was on creating collaborative solutions, which is key for a plan to address our homeless problem. I come home with the framework of a plan vetted by Harvard scholars and professors.

During our November Legislative Urban Caucus meeting we discussed the developments outlined above and have drafted a preliminary plan for legislative drafting. I look forward to inviting all members of the urban Honolulu neighborhood boards to the Capitol soon for a full briefing and discussion. Your input is invaluable to our work as legislators. It is going to take all of us working together to create the comprehensive solution.

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