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Aloha,

I want to express my heartfelt thanks for the honor and the privilege of serving you and our district these past four years. It has been quite a journey, with all the attendant triumphs, defeats, crusades, and challenges that come with public service. I have loved every minute of it. When I made the decision to run for office four years ago we stood on a platform of fairness and integrity. We've come a long way in a short time but remain committed to those principles.

To that end, I'm ever mindful of the fact that I am just one voice -- one opinion, one force -- among the 76 members of the legislature, and that I could not accomplish



anything without the encouragement, support, and/or cooperation of my colleagues. Most importantly, I have appreciated your perspective, insights, and the hard-earned wisdom that you have so graciously shared with me. Many of you have openly lent your not-so-rose-colored-glass view of the ever-important role we play in the Piccadilly-like lawmaking branch of government. Mahalo for your confidence and aloha. Here is an overview of the recent legislative session followed by a list of Senate District 12 community funding for the biennium years 2011-2013.

Senate Stayed the Course

After passing many landmark measures, the Hawaii State Legislature adjourned on Thursday, May 3, 2012. Throughout this second year of the legislative biennium, the overarching themes of the Senate were in close alignment with Governor

Abercrombie's "A New Day in Hawaii." Job creation, education, shoring up the safety net, and increasing government efficiency were consistently touted, and ultimately supported, by both the Senate and the House. Let me share some highlights of the 2012 Legislature's accomplishments:

Job Creation and Creating a **Sustainable Economy**

Although Hawaii is experiencing a steady economic recovery, many people are still

unemployed or underemployed, especially in the construction and trade industries. Realizing this grim reality, the Senate made job creation and creating a sustainable



economy a top priority through its flagship initiative, the "Invest in Hawaii Act of 2012." To accomplish this goal, the Senate was able to include more than \$414 million for repair and maintenance projects in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) portion of the budget for FY 2013. House Bill 2012, the supplemental state budget bill, allows for the creation of over four-thousand shovel-ready jobs to address the aging infrastructure of state-owned assets and facilities; energy conservation and sustainable improvements; and health, safety, and code requirements.

People and Children

Homelessness, child welfare, domestic violence shelters, MedQuest, and various shortfalls across the Department of Human Services were also addressed in HB 2012, which also includes CIP appropriations for the Kalanimoku and Kamamalu Buildings, McKinley High and Waikiki Elementary Schools, the Honolulu Academy of Arts, and the Friends of Iolani Palace. Additionally, House Bill 304 appropriates monies to support programs essential to education, public health, and public welfare in the form of grants pursuant to

chapter 42F of the Hawaii Revised Statutes. Volunteer Legal Services Hawaii and the Waikiki Community Center are among the many organizations that will be funded by this landmark grant-in-aid measure.

Renewable Energy and Sustainability

The Senate Majority strives to make Hawaii a model for the rest of the country by continuing the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative. Reducing electricity costs depends in part on diversifying the energy sources within the State. Geothermal energy is a solid source of indigenous, renewable energy that could be made available at low costs. Senate Bill 2001 requires consultation and input from the Native Hawaiian community and the general public when developing geothermal projects on public trust lands. Act 97, signed into law on April 30, 2012, allows geothermal resources exploration and development in all state land use districts and all zones of the conservation districts, respectively.



With our State's dependence on imported foods and threats to our food security, Act 122 establishes a livestock feed feasibility pilot project to help address the rising cost of feed and explore ways to increase the sustainability of our local protein and dairy sources. Self-sufficiency is critical to Hawaii's food security as well as our ability to respond effectively in the event of natural disasters or disruptions in transportation.

Retooling the Government

In the area of technology, the Senate calls for investing in the State's information technology (IT) infrastructure in order to improve government, and to better serve the public. The investment in IT upgrades aims to boost productivity, thereby increasing government's efficiency. HB 2012 makes significant investments in software upgrades, IT integration, and modernization of record-keeping processes.















Senator Galuteria with the Honorable Daniel Inouye in Washington, D.C. Hawai'i's Senior Senator serves as the Chairman of the United States Senate Appropriations Committee.



Senator Galuteria with the Honorable Daniel K. Akaka in Washington, D.C. As he ends his career, we thank Hawai'i's first Native Hawaiian Senator for over 35 years of public service



Senator Galuteria with Governor John Waihee, Henry Kapono, and Palani Vaughn at the State of the OHA Address at St. Andrew's Cathedral



Senator Galuteria with Lieutenant Governor Brian Schatz on Opening Day of the Legislative Session



Senate Majority Leader Galuteria welcomes House Majority Leader Pono Chong

Over \$105 Million for Senate District 12! SCHOOL BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

Hawai'i School for Deaf and Blind	\$200,000
Jefferson Elementary	\$453,000
Central Middle	\$145,000
Ka'iulani Elementary	\$210,000
McKinley High School	\$841,000

TOTAL SCHOOL BUILDING IMPROVEMENT

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

\$200,000
\$30,000,000
\$4,761,000
\$8,000,000
\$2,500,000
\$7,500,000
\$3,710,000
\$1,500,000
\$2,301,000
\$26,000,000
\$8,000,000
\$450,000
\$5,600,000
\$1,000,000
\$230,000
\$120,000
\$400,000
\$750,000

TOTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS \$103,022,000

GRANTS-IN-AID

В	est Buddies International	\$125,000
V	olunteer Legal Services Hawaii	\$300,000
W	⁷ aikīkī Community Center	\$60,000

TOTAL GRANTS-IN-AID

\$485,000

\$1,849,000

TOTAL DISTRICT 12 FUNDING FOR FY 2012 & 2013 \$105,356,000



Signing of the OHA Settlement Bill (SB 2783) on April 11, 2012 at Washington Place



Senate Majority Leader Senator Galuteria with Senate President Shan Tsutsui and Senate Majority Caucus Leader Senator Ron Kouchi



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