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FILIPINOS MOVING TOWARD TRUE POLITICAL EMPOWERMENT

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(Excerpts from the Speech of DR. AQUINO AS GUEST SPEAKER at the Annual Convention of the UFCH, July 24, 2010, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Maui, Hawaii)

The topic assigned to me this afternoon revolves around how the Filipino community can become a viable political force in Hawaii in keeping with this year's convention theme, "Making our Voices Heard." I accepted this task with great trepidation because I'm not sure I'm the right person to talk about this, since most of the time, I tend to be a "voice in the wilderness." But I also welcomed it with enthusiasm because I know that there's a great deal of intellectual and social capital in the Filipino community to build such a political force in Hawaii, not only in terms of viability but also sustainability and collective strength. I continue to be impressed by the abundance of talent in our community and the diversity of our contributions to benefit not only Filipinos but the whole state and even the nation itself. We may be one of the smallest states in the country but we have distinguished ourselves for several unique achievements, such as producing the first Filipino governor, first Filipino representative to the Hawaii Territorial Legislature, first Filipino county mayor, first Filipino woman county mayor, first Filipino elected to the state Senate, first Filipino state Senate president, first Filipino Community Center of such magnitude on

Oahu, and modesty aside, the first Center for Philippine Studies outside of the Philippines at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. The list goes on and there appears to be no limit to what we can and can do. We also have the highest representation of Filipino - Americans elected or appointed to public office among the states of the Union. So in effect, we have become not only a viable force in island politics but a formidable one. We have come a long way, as the saying goes, and our voice has been heard loud and clear across the state and the nation. It's really just a matter of time before we can translate or transform our numbers and our voices into real political clout.

But we shouldn't rest on these laurels because there's still much to be done to achieve the stable and prosperous future that previous generations of Filipinos in Hawaii had envisioned for us. This is the essence of my message to you today, to continue working until we have fully arrived. And it is incumbent upon statewide organizations like the UFCH to carry the torch, as it were, to greater heights and levels of achievement.

To do this, we must recognize our weaknesses and resolve to fill in the gaps since no organization is perfect. Let me explore with you some talking points, which I believe can strengthen the building blocks upon which we can frame the UFCH of the future.

The first issue I would like to address is leadership, which is the central principle in any organizational endeavor, whether it is a simple Ilokano hometown association, a statewide organization like the UFCH, or the presidency of the United States. Let me summarize some of the basic principles on the nature and dynamics of real leadership. Organizational leadership is not lodged in one person alone, but in a collective effort towards long-term goals of institutional continuity, effectiveness and sustainability. At times, we have too many leaders, or everyone wants to become a leader, as a result of which there is no effective leader. The standard joke in Filipino social circles is that, when you have five Filipinos aspiring for leadership, you are bound to have six political parties, at least five and a half. In the end they cancel each other out. Then there is the mistaken notion that leadership is a question of popularity or money. Popularity and money, of course, are important but not sufficient conditions for effective leadership. You may have a popular and well-funded leader but has no substantive or credible credentials. On the other hand, you might have someone brilliant but has no social or people skills to bring that brilliance down to realistic ground level. To achieve true leadership is a balancing act combining both necessary and sufficient qualities.

Who then, or what is a leader? Let me just throw in a few factors of that can help us to determine what real leadership means.

The first element is vision. This is not easy to define because it's something abstract and not achievable immediately. It is usually a long-term goal

You can call it the big or broad picture – be it the public good, service to humanity, alleviating poverty, strengthening the community, and so on. Whatever it is, you need to come up with an ideal, a new way of looking at things, a new worldview that you think will elevate the current state of things to a respectable level of achievement. As long as we are talking about vision, let me take a minute to bring up the name of the late Juan Dionisio, Sr., the acknowledged founding father and pioneering leader of what would eventually become the United Filipino Community Council of Hawaii. I met Dionisio once or twice when I first came to Hawaii as a graduate student in the 1960s. He struck me as a very simple, humble and ordinary individual. He rose from modest beginnings to become the Philippine Consul General in Honolulu. But his more distinguished achievement was articulating a vision and inspiring hope for a united Filipino community in Hawaii in the future. He pressed for the concept of unity that should or could transcend religious, class, gender, regional and other differences that divide rather than unite ethnic communities.

The Filipino community at the time was just emerging from the plantation era that was fraught with suffering and hardship for the *sakadas*, the first migrant farm laborers recruited from the Philippines to work on the plantations. When statehood in Hawaii came around in 1959, there were only five Filipino practicing lawyers, which included Ben Menor, Peter Aduja, Bernaldo Bicoy and Alfred Laureta, six medical doctors, three engineers, some teachers, nurses, social workers and members of religious groups. The huge majority was poor who had very little education and who earned not even a dollar a day for 26 days of the month. Dionisio, mindful of differences and divisions on the plantations arising from provinces of origin in the Philippines, worked tirelessly to bring them together in a spirit of harmony and cooperation. According to Lawrence Fuchs who wrote

Dionisio wanted a united stand on issues that would benefit the whole community, issues like equality before the law, equality of opportunity, improvement of Filipino educational attainment and social advancement, protection of minority and individual rights, respect for Filipino values, acquisition of entrepreneurial skills, and preservation of cultural values.

Hawaii Pono - A Social History, "impending statehood undoubtedly quickened Filipino unity in Hawaii." Fuchs credits Consul General Juan Dionisio for painstakingly organizing the Filipino community councils on every island in the soon-to-be 50th state, "for the purpose of furthering the political, economic, and social aims of Filipinos in Hawaii." Dionisio inspired his fellow Filipinos to set aside divisions between Visayan, Tagalog, Ilocano and other language or regional groups. He maintained that however diverse they were, they must strive to achieve unity through a common identification (as Filipinos first and foremost) before they could be successfully integrated into the community. He envisioned a future Filipino community where the bickerings, tensions and animosities of the first phase of immigrant life on the plantations would give way to increasing group cohesiveness, "forged through militant demands for protection of rights and recognition of claims." More than just preaching unity, Dionisio also exhorted his compatriots to be vigilant of their rights and mindful of their obligations and responsibilities.

Until Dionisio's initiatives in the late '50s, there had been no successful attempt on the part of Filipino groups to organize, establish and finance a territory-wide community. Dionisio had much precious experience to bring to the Hawaii scene. He came to America as a teen-ager of 16, labored in several plantations on the West Coast moving from one community to another, helping to organize local groups to represent Filipino migrants and residents in their larger communities. As Consul-General in Honolulu, he conceived of a general convention in 1959, "to plan the role of Filipinos in the new State of Hawaii." Thus was born the future UFCH under Dionisio's stewardship. In December of that year, no less than the Governor of Hawaii, William Quinn, was honored as an "Outstanding Friend of the Year of the Filipinos." Such was the tremendous impact of statehood on the fledgling Filipino community, which was starting to come together. Their collective voice resonated through the new state; it was the beginning of a new era among the previously fractious and powerless motley Filipino groups. Of course, this is not to imply that the Filipino community has become a perfect unity. Differences still exist but the community has matured and in time it could become a fully functioning and productive collectivity in the latest state of the Union at the beginning of the 1960s. Today the Filipino and part-Filipino community constitutes nearly 24 per cent of the Hawaii state population.

So we owe a huge debt of gratitude to this exemplary and hardy Filipino pioneer, Juan Dionisio Sr, for having had the vision, foresight, energy and

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WE STAND BY NEIL ABERCROMBIE A TRUE ADVOCATE AND FRIEND OF THE FILIPINO COMMUNITY

Neil has stood shoulder to shoulder with us in our fight for civil rights, immigrant's rights, language assistance, jobs, care for our elderly, Filipino veterans, quality education and a bright future for our children.

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Q & A WITH DUKE AIONA

By HFC Staff



HFC: *The sluggish economy is the number one concern among Filipinos and the general public. What top two specific plans do you have to help lift our state economy?*

DA: Hawaii's business climate has improved in recent years, but still struggles due to many factors, including one of the highest tax burdens in the nation, the high cost of doing business, government-created delays, unnecessary regulatory barriers, and the need for a well-educated, trained workforce that can compete in the global economy.

In order to create job opportunities we must improve the business climate in Hawaii and diversify our economy. That's why I will work to keep down the financial burden on our working families and small businesses, preserve open markets, increase competition and cut red tape.

First, as Governor, I will accelerate the investment of \$946 million in new construction projects that will create and retain jobs in the construction sector and address the need for repairs and maintenance of public facilities such as roads, bridges, buildings, and parks.

Second, I will propose a new tax credit to encourage businesses to hire employees. This will be done by allowing a business to claim a credit up to the amount of income taxes paid by their new staff. This will lower our unemployment rate and lower the cost to a business owner of hiring new staff.

Recently I met with more than 120 small business owners over 100 days. As I listened to these entrepreneurs, it became clear that we must deal with both the reality and perception of a lack of a "level playing field" in doing business in Hawaii.

Our residents suffer from the highest overall tax burden in the nation, especially since the legislature has raised taxes in recent years.

Instead of making it harder for businesses to grow, we ought to make it easier. Government, by itself, can't create the jobs that fuel our economy, but as Governor, I can make it easier for those

who do.

HFC: *Although Hawaii's unemployment rate is among the lowest in the nation, this issue came in second in importance among Filipino voters in our recent poll. What immediate short-term and long-term plans will you implement to strengthen Hawaii's jobs situation?*

DA: Nothing in our opponents plan will immediately create private sector jobs.

As stated above, a healthy economy and job creation are closely linked. That is why I will expedite contracts for approximately \$946 million in approved state capital public works projects over the next 18 months. This will build upon the over \$1 billion in capital improvement projects already out to bid or awarded over the past two years.

I will also initiate workforce development programs to strengthen the employment base for our economy. I will advocate the creation of opportunities for students to enter the workforce promptly through state-of-the-art vocational education programs on high school and college campuses. Community colleges would be partners so that vocational students can receive advanced placement courses similar to college-prep students.

While Hawaii's education spending has increased more than 200 percent over the past 30 years, our students continue to rank near the bottom on national standards-based tests. The biggest problem facing our school system is not enough of the funds spent on public education are getting into the classroom to benefit students.

That is why I'm calling for a comprehensive, independent audit of the Hawaii Department of Education (DOE), which hasn't been conducted since 1973. It is important to know how our education dollars are spent and to ensure that funding is going into programs that can increase student achievement.

HFC: *Hawaii's high cost of living (real estate, rent, goods and services, fuel, etc.) remains one of the highest nationally. This issue placed third in our HFC poll. Although it is largely based on market forces, what CRE-*

ATIVE ways can government work with the private sector to alleviate some of the pressures of our high cost of living?

DA: I remain committed to holding the line on tax increases, strengthening our economy and enhancing the future prosperity of our great state, especially through improving public education.

While our opponent says he won't raise taxes, he refuses to say how he'll pay for his plan other than using federal funds he says are on the table but can't identify. If he can't get these dwindling federal deficit-financed dollars, his promises will go undelivered – unless he attempts to raise taxes or cut other programs.

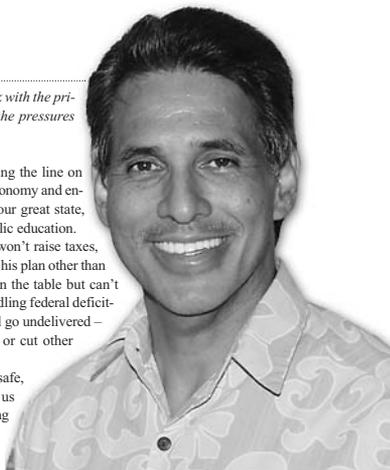
Everyone deserves a decent, safe, affordable place to live. Most of us grow up with the dream of owning our own home. Unfortunately, for many in Hawaii this dream has yet to become a reality. If we want Hawaii's families to flourish, we need to change this.

Government can play a critical role in encouraging the construction of more affordable housing. As Governor, I will restore funding to affordable housing that has been diverted to other government programs. And I will place a "do not touch" sign on these funds so they cannot be raided again by politicians. These funds, along with a serious commitment to make urban zoned lands available for housing, and homeownership support programs, could lower one of the largest factors in Hawaii's cost of living – the cost of a home. In addition, I will encourage greater use of public-private partnerships, such as those being used by the Hawaii Public Housing Authority, to convert old public housing into refurbished units along with market-rate housing that can add to our housing inventory.

Providing affordable housing and teaching the skills and tools needed for high-paying jobs are important for ensuring a bright and prosperous future for Hawaii.

HFC: *Primarily a federal issue, a rising concern among Filipino voters is the high cost of health care. Hawaii fares better than most states in the number of residents insured but cost is still a major problem. What can be done at the state level in helping to keep premiums from skyrocketing?*

DA: As Governor, my vision is



for Hawaii's citizens is to lead healthy, productive lives with access to affordable, high-quality health care that is available to all and where a healthy lifestyle is the norm.

To achieve this goal, I will pursue policies that focus on prevention rather than just treatment of illnesses. I will work to expand the health care options available to Hawaii's families and encourage a greater number of providers to ensure we have a competitive, robust market that gives our citizens meaningful choices when choosing health insurance.

I will work to address one of the biggest cost-drivers for health care, the lack of medical malpractice insurance reform. Uncapped insurance claims force doctors to conduct unnecessary and costly tests and drive up premiums, which in turn drive up our insurance costs. Reasonable limits that ensure legitimate claims are addressed can help curb the costs of medical insurance in Hawaii.

I will pursue programs that increase our supply of well-trained physicians, nurses, and health care professionals. I will confront the long-standing problems associated with the Hawaii State Hospital Corporation. And I will ensure that the progress we have made in the treatment of mental illness is maintained and improved.

The Hawaii Medical Association, with nearly 1,000 members, has endorsed me as our next Governor because it recognizes the leadership I have brought to the issue of quality

health care. This recognition speaks volumes about my proven leadership and demonstrated commitment to improve health care for everyone.

HFC: *High taxes rated among the top concerns. How will your administration contain government spending to prevent taxes from rising? Would you support any GET tax hike in your first term, a proposal explored every legislative session? What is the possibility of lowering taxes should the state's economy pick up?*

DA: Hawaii residents, families and businesses suffer from one of the highest combined federal, state, and local tax burdens in the nation. This is the worst time to raise taxes on working families and small businesses, and my running mate, Lynn Finnegan, and I are the only candidates for Governor and Lt. Governor who will keep down the cost of living in Hawaii.

I remain committed to holding the line on tax increases, strengthening our economy and enhancing the future prosperity of our great state, especially through improving public education.

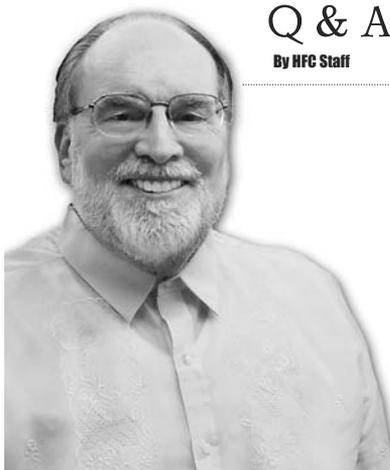
In the past two years almost a dozen bills have been introduced in our State Legislature to increase the State general excise tax. We have opposed these bills and have proven that tax increases are not necessary to balance the State budget.

An Aiona-Finnegan Administration will focus on closely

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By HFC Staff



HFC: *The sluggish economy is the number one concern among Filipinos and the general public. What top two specific plans do you have to help lift our state economy?*

NA: I recently released our "Recovery and Reinvestment Plan" that outlines how an Abercrombie/Schatz administration will implement our vision for a better Hawaii. Our first step is to accelerate our economic recovery without delay. This includes an unprecedented effort to identify and access every available external dollar into Hawaii's economy to convert as many of these dollars into paychecks as quickly as possible. This effort will have three main parts: 1) Accelerating use of the remaining federal stimulus dollars—currently an amount in the hundreds of millions; 2) Assisting businesses, nonprofits and government agencies in the pursuit of federal and private grant opportunities; 3) Prioritizing and going after key federal matching opportunities and determining where to put state dollars to maximize those funds.

We will also restore critical deficiencies in government functions, develop public-private partnerships and direct new revenues to new priorities.

HFC: *Although Hawaii's unemployment rate is among the low-*

est in the nation, this issue came in second in importance among Filipino voters in our recent poll. What immediate short-term and long-term plans will you implement to strengthen Hawaii's jobs situation?

NA: I have outlined in question 1 our short-term plans to strengthen Hawaii's economy and to put people back to work.

In the second part of our "Recovery and Reinvestment Plan," we will begin a phased investment to strengthen Hawaii's economy for the future. This includes investing in our public education by working with the Obama administration and implementing our Race to the Top initiatives; working with the University of Hawaii system; dedicating more resources to early childhood care; repairing and building our state's infrastructure; supporting emerging industries, such as high tech, clean energy and agriculture; being proactive about addressing the rising cost of healthcare; and providing for our most challenged families.

HFC: *Hawaii's high cost of living (real estate, rent, goods and services, fuel, etc.) remains one of the highest nationally. This issue placed third in our HFC poll. Although it is largely based on market forces, what CREATIVE ways can government work with the private sector to alleviate some of the pressures of our high cost of living?*

NA: Developing public-private

partnerships is a critical component throughout all aspects of our vision for Hawaii.

For example, I would address housing affordability in Hawaii the same way I approached the lack of military housing in Hawaii when I was in Congress. In Congress, I helped write a public-private model for housing that led to the development of thousands of high quality, energy efficient homes for our military families. You can see the results of this initiative to upgrade and build energy efficient homes as you drive over the H-1 Freeway near the airport. We created private and public investment into our local economy, employed local contractors and workers, and advanced our energy goals by incorporating green building techniques.

Another example would be reducing our dependence on imported foods. Government can help by making it easier for producing our own food in Hawaii. We must address the high cost of importing agricultural inputs—feed and fertilizer in particular—so that farming can be competitive and sustainable. To do this, we will form public-private partnerships to develop sustainable local feed and fertilizer, making it a focus of research in the UH system, employing extension agents, and designating experiment stations.

HFC: *Primarily a federal issue, a rising concern among Filipino voters is the high cost of healthcare. Hawaii fares better than most states in the number of residents insured but cost is still a major problem. What can be done at the state level in helping to keep premiums from skyrocketing?*

NA: Our system of healthcare is fragmented, medical professionals are finding it harder to build a career in Hawaii, insurance costs are crippling business here, rising costs threaten the solvency of the retirement systems, it is harder to make an appointment with your doctor, co-payments are rising, and more people, particularly the most vulnerable in society, are finding it nearly impossible to access any health care at all. In an Abercrombie/Schatz

administration, we will be more proactive on addressing healthcare issues. We will focus on ensuring that all people have access to quality healthcare and concentrating on prevention and public health education. To do this, we will expand community health centers, like the Kalihi-Palama Health Center, that are providing much more than physical health services to people. We will also address the physician shortage in Hawaii and better prepare people for retirement and long-term care.

HFC: *High taxes rated among the top concerns. How will your administration contain government spending to prevent taxes from rising? Would you support any GET tax hike in your first term, a proposal explored every legislative session? What is the possibility of lowering taxes should the state's economy pick up?*

NA: As I have demonstrated throughout my career, I can work with the budget we have and ensure that public funds are spent responsibly. Before any proposals about tax increases are considered, there must first be serious discussions on how we use our existing revenues in a way that matches our values and priorities. I firmly believe there are core activities the state must provide, services that cannot be compromised. Providing a first-rate education system, providing for the public safety and caring for the most vulnerable members of our society are constant priorities. People must be confident in how existing taxes are spent, and under the current leadership in Hawaii, there is much to repair in order to restore this trust.

HFC: *How will you reconcile civil/human rights and religious values when they are at odds at times? For example where do you stand on a) Civil Unions; and b) Abortion/Reproductive Rights?*

NA: In Hawaii, our diversity does not divide us; our diversity defines us.

It is critical that we protect the civil and human rights of all our people. We must fight dis-

crimination in all forms, support equal pay for equal work, end human trafficking, and teach tolerance and aloha. I have supported the equal rights amendment, pay equity, gender representation in appointments, programs to protect and nurture strong working families, and a woman's right to choose.

An issue of current significance is civil unions. I have always made clear that I would have signed House Bill 444 if I were Governor. Despite the claims of critics, HB444 was not a same-sex marriage bill. The State Legislature has already defined marriage as between a man and a woman. Some have suggested the issue be put to a popular vote, but a constitutional democracy does not leave the civil rights of a minority up to the political fashion of the moment.

The people of Hawaii have too much history with discrimination not to understand what is happening here. Protecting people's civil rights cannot be compromised and I am committed to this most essential of constitutional imperatives. Civil unions respect our diversity, protect people's privacy, and reinforce our core values of equality and aloha.

HFC: *What have you done to earn Hawaii's Filipino vote?*

NA: I have long regarded the Filipino community with great respect and admiration. For over 100 years, Filipinos have not just contributed to the rich and complex fabric of Hawaii; they have become the backbone of Hawaii's economy. More than 60 percent of the workers in Hawaii's hospitality, health-care and food service industries are made up of Filipino workers.

My relationship with the Filipino community is based on a profound understanding of their culture, their traditions, their hopes and dreams, and their aspirations for a better life for their families, including brothers, sisters, fathers, mothers, sons and daughters that they have left behind in the Philippines.

In Congress, I have voted to broaden categories covered by

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FILIPINOS MOVING... (from page S2)

the determination to galvanize a previously isolated community to one that could act with unison and collective wisdom for the good of all. It is fitting that we honor him at this convention today, and I'm glad that the UFCH has established a Juan Dionisio Award to perpetuate his priceless legacy.

To summarize, Dionisio had the basic and essential attributes of a leader. He wanted a whole new way of bringing people together regardless of origin, ethnicity, religion, beliefs, gender, class and other distinctions that prevent a community from becoming stable and prosperous. He possessed the Filipino work ethic, he had integrity, he was oriented to serving the people, and had the ability to think positively. It could have been very easy for him to retreat to a comfortable life, but he persevered for the sake of his fellow Filipinos in a foreign land. His vision was to be fulfilled many years after he died. It may not have materialized exactly as he envisioned, but the community had become a reality, capable of renewing and improving itself over time.

However, it is not enough to have vision. Real leadership also entails other preconditions and these can be summarized into: 1) ability to communicate effectively; 2) ability to motivate and mobilize people, which is very difficult to do in a multicultural society, and 3) ability to plan, organize, and manage work systematically, so that there's a progression toward the desired goals.

I don't have time to get into all these, but let me just briefly shift to the more practical side of how the UFCH could bring about Dionisio's vision of unity, as well as the more current goal of political empowerment. What Dionisio worked for was not a community in which the membership is beholden to just one leader or one way of thinking. Lyndy this is just for our layout purpose) Dionisio wanted a united stand on issues that would benefit the whole community, issues like equality before the law, equality of opportunity, improvement of Filipino educational attainment and social advancement, protection of minority and individual rights, respect for Filipino values, acquisition of entrepreneurial skills, and preservation of cultural values. Now all these cannot be accomplished by one leader alone. Which is to say that organizational leadership is inspiring and mobilizing collective action for the benefit of all.

Political empowerment as a long-term goal for the UFCH is a very ambitious one but it can be achieved over time given certain conditions. One of these conditions is credibility. To be credible means an organization has to develop a track record that can earn the trust and respect of the public.

One observation that I hear constantly, which also applies to other communities, is that the Filipino community is too fragmented, too diffuse, too discontinuous, and too divided.

At times I don't agree with this criticism because organizations have a very important social function, particularly for certain groups like newly arrived immigrants, who naturally gravitate to organizations corresponding to their origins in the Philippines. In short these organizations are a safety valve which cushions social difficulties by providing an alternative route in human relations.

But eventually these various hometown or regional associations have to be consolidated into a larger and more effective community to represent the diversities of our culture in government, politics, education, business, labor and other institutions of society. We have to elevate the Filipino community as a whole. And there is much to be done here because our voting turnout in elections, for instance, is not commensurate with our numbers. It is much too low. And this is due to all kinds of reasons, e.g. many Filipinos are not opting to become U.S. citizens, as a result of which they cannot vote. Or if they are already citizens, they don't turn out in great numbers during registration and voting periods. One major project that the UFCH could undertake is voter education, not just voter registration, because Filipinos have to know and understand the issues involved in the community. So many of these issues like immigration, elections, welfare, employment, education, health and so on are not understood well by the average citizen. So they are alienated from government and the political process. To reach out to them and invest major efforts in community organizing and education would enlighten and gradually empower them. They have to recognize their stake in society and this needs a great deal of comment. Eventually, we should have a lot of citizenship and education programs given the massive immigration of Filipinos to Hawaii every year. Make your voices heard by writing letters to the editor, showing support for hotel workers' efforts for better salaries and conditions, and lobbying the city and county councils, the state legislature and other institutions in the state that have the power to do something about community problems. Don't be afraid to speak out. Your voice will never be heard unless you speak out.

Another common observation is the lack of transparency and accountability in many of our community organizations. Add to this the constant lack of institutional continuity. With each transition from one administration to the next, there are always tensions generated by questions about where the money was spent, what the past president has accomplished, what has been achieved relative to the goals of the organization, etc. By this time, organizations which have existed for half a century or more should have imbibed what is known as institutional memory, a process of acquiring "best practices" or developing a systematic set of rules that work, or can be changed when necessary. Without institutional memory, one will always be starting anew, reinventing the wheel, when in fact, it should be easier to operate because it has been honed by practice and eventually institutionalized over time.

Finally, political empowerment usually comes in hand with socio-economic advancement. This could only come about with higher levels of education and employment. While we are politically numerous, we still haven't advanced to middle-class status to enhance our economic standing in society. We should encourage our children to seek better or higher education. As of the latest census, I believe that only a little more than 10 percent of the Filipino state population is considered professional, compared to, say, 40 percent in California, or 56 percent in Illinois. A vast majority is either in the services sectors or in blue-collar occupations. We still don't have many corporate entities, or directorships in major economic institutions of the state. We predominate in running small businesses, operating care homes, agricultural jobs, hotel and travel industry jobs, and so on. And all these are good because they sustain our community, but in the long run, with higher levels of education and economic skills, and political participation in society, we can advance to a level that we can call "a state of TRUE empowerment."

(The speaker is currently Professor Emeritus at the School of Pacific and Asian Studies at UH Manoa where she served as Professor of Political Science and Asian Studies, as well as Director of the Center for Philippine Studies. An internationally recognized authority on contemporary Philippine politics and society, she got her B.A. in English from the University of the Philippines, M.A. in Political Science at the University of Hawaii as an East-West Center Scholar, and Ph.D. in Political Science and Southeast Asian Studies from Cornell University as a Ford Foundation Fellow. She is the author of *Politics of Plunder: The Philippines Under Marcos* and numerous other publications. An active community advocate and worker, she was given the U.H. Manoa Outstanding Faculty Award to the Community in 2008. And in 2009, she was elected National President of the University of the Philippines Alumni Association in America.

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FILIPINO CANDIDATES RUNNING IN THE GENERAL ELECTION

By HFC Staff

For the Filipino community, the Primary Election on September 18, 2010 resulted in both good news and bad news. The bad news is that the Primary brought to an end, at least for now, the public service careers of several Filipino legislators.

Losing in his bid for lieutenant governor was former State Senate President Bobby Bunda. He finished a respectable second to winner Brian Schatz for the Democratic gubernatorial ticket. Another Filipino who ran for lieutenant governor was former State Rep. Lyla Berg, who finished fifth in the Democratic Primary.

A third Filipino legislator to lose in the Primary was former State Rep. Michael Magaoy, who was beaten by City Councilmember Donovan Dela Cruz in the race for Senate District 22.

A handful of Filipino candidates survived a hard-fought Primary and have continued to campaign hard for the November 2nd General Election. We wish them all the very best and thank them for their desire to serve the community as public officials.

May the best men and women win.

LT. GOV.

Name: LYNN BERBANO FINNEGAN (R)
Position Seeking: Lt. Governor



Experience: Served as representative for State House District 32. Served on Finance, Education, Higher Education, Health, Human Services, Hawaiian Affairs and Legislative Management committees.

Background: Father and brother served in military. Grandfather was a Philippine guerilla during World War II. Worked for Primary Residential Mortgage as a senior loan originator.

Top two priorities if elected: Working hand-in-hand with Duke Aiona, the Aiona-

Finnegan ticket will focus primarily on two major issues facing Hawaii's families and businesses: 1) Improving our economy and creating jobs for our residents; and 2) Reforming our public education system to one which is accountable for the learning of our keiki. Having been raised by an immigrant Filipino family in Waianae, I understand the value of hard work and I plan to bring that value with me to the Office of the Lt. Governor and work day-in and day-out.

STATE SENATE

Name: DONOVAN DELA CRUZ (D)
Position Seeking: State Senate, District 22 (North Shore, Waikawa)
Opponent: Charles Aki (R)



Background: Honolulu City Councilmember. Worked as public relations coordinator Village at Hilton Hawaiian Village. Also worked at McNeil Wilson Communications as an account executive and at Stryker Weiner & Yokota Public Relations as an Account Supervisor.

Name: WILL ESPERO (D)
Position Seeking: Re-election to State Senate, District 20 (Ewa Beach, Waipahu)
Opponent: Anel Montes (R)



Experience: Served as State Representative for three years and State Senator for eight.

Background: Holds business degree from Seattle University. Resident of Ewa Beach for past 21 years. Appointed by former mayor Frank Fasi to head neighborhood board system from 1987 to 1994.

Top two priorities if elected: My top two priorities would be jobs and education. I would advocate and lobby for more job opportunities in West Oahu. A complete build-out of the new University of Hawaii-West Oahu campus would be a part of this goal. Starting construction on the rail transit system would also help accomplish this. I also support more funding for early education and more training for teachers and principals. Education must be a top priority, and Friday Furloughs in schools must never happen again.



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Name: **DONNA MERCADO KIM (D)**

Position Seeking: Re-election to State Senate District 14 (Hawala, Moanalua, Kamehameha Heights)

Opponent: Peter Dudek (R)



Experience: Served as Chair of the Ways & Means Committee. Was former Senate vice president, a member of the State House of Representatives and the Honolulu City Council.

Background: Graduated from Farrington High School and Washington State University. Was a radio talk show co-host, public relations director and trained facilitator of The Pacific Institute. Served with the Kalihii Business Association, Filipino Chamber of Commerce, Hawaii Korean Chamber of Commerce, Palama Settlement Board of Trustees, Boys and Girls Club of Honolulu, Aliamanu Unit and Hawaii's Junior Miss, Inc. Also served on Hawaii Korean Millennium Commission, National League of Cities Economic Development Steering Committee and the President's National Committee on Transportation.

Name: **BEN PASCUA (R)**

Position Seeking: State Senate District 15 (Waimalu, Moanalua, Salt Lake)

Opponent: Glenn Wakai (D)



Background/Experience: Former U.S. soldier who served in Afghanistan and Bosnia. Previously worked for a Utah-based mortgage firm, as an investment account executive for a local magazine and for a local real estate firm.

Top two priorities if elected: (1) Protect people's families; (2) Protect people's wallets.

STATE HOUSE

Name: **HENRY J.C. AQUINO (D)**

Position Seeking: Re-election to State House District 35 (Pearl City, Waipahu)

Opponent: Reginald Yago (R)



Experience: Served as Vice-Chair of the House Public Safety committee and a member of the Finance, Labor and Transportation committees.

Background: Parents are from Ilocos Sur. Holds an MA in communication from Hawaii Pacific University. Involved with St. Joseph Church, teaches self-defense

classes for Hawaii Chinese Kenpo School, organizes graffiti paint outs; serves as a director for the Waipahu Community Foundation and with the Santanians of Hawaii and the Leeward Oahu Lions Club.

Top two priorities if elected: My top priorities are finding ways to improve our economy, strengthen our public schools and focusing on important quality of life issues. First, it is necessary to continue to find ways to strengthen and sustain Hawaii's economic needs. I believe in investing in higher education. This ensures our commitment to building a world-class university system that will stimulate our economic outlook and resources. In addition, I am committed to finding ways to create good paying job opportunities while supporting new and existing industries for future growth and diversification.

Another priority is public education. Our school system is the cornerstone for the future of our state. The struggles of our public school system should be addressed continuously. This past session, the Legislature shored up our schools' needs by increasing appropriations to the student formula, ending school furloughs, mandating more instructional days and focusing on the repair and maintenance backlog. I will continue to work on these issues while focusing on early education and teacher retention, which would allow Hawaii to have a better-educated workforce for the future.

Since taking office in 2008, I looked to address important issues such as crime, traffic, and care for our vulnerable and needy populations. If re-elected, I will ensure that our streets and neighborhoods are safe for our families, children, neighbors, seniors and businesses. I also support our state's continued investment in infrastructure and transportation projects that will help to alleviate traffic congestion. Lastly, I will work to maintain and grow healthcare and long-term care programs and services for our seniors and vulnerable populations.

Name: **RIDA CABANILLA (D)**

Position Seeking: Re-election to State House District 47 (Waipahu, Honouliuli, Ewa)

Opponent: Tom Berg (R)



Experience: Served as Chair of the Housing Committee and as a member of the Consumer Protection & Commerce; Energy & Environmental Protection; Judiciary; and Water, Land & Ocean Resources committees.

Background: Born in the Philippines and has resided in Hawaii since 1970. Is a registered nurse and Lt. Col. in the U.S. Army Reserves.

Top two priorities if elected: (1) To make sure that the rail project goes through, and

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COUNTERPOINT

STEADY LEADERSHIP IN TIMES OF CRISIS: CHARLES DJOU IS THE RIGHT CHOICE FOR HAWAII

By Rep. Kymberly Marcos Pine and Danny de Gracia, II

Filipinos all across Hawaii know that America is facing the greatest economic crisis to ever confront our state and nation. This November, the words of revolutionary hero Dr. José Rizal will ring clearly in our ears as we cast our ballots: "The glory of saving a country is not for those who have contributed to its ruin."

In choosing our U.S. Representative for Congressional District 1, the Hawaii Democratic Party would have Filipinos completely ignore the fact that after four years of a Democratic majority in Congress and six decades of a majority in the Hawaii State Legislature, we see record poverty, skyrocketing foreclosure filings and unemployment lines that keep getting longer. The U.S. dollar has depreciated against nineteen major currencies as a result of devaluation from excessive spending. Our schools are in disrepair, our national transportation infrastructure

consists of broken bridges and pot holed highways and our national defense is threatened most gravely and immediately – in the words of Admiral Mike Mullen, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff – not by foreign threat but by domestic debt.

In spite of all of this, we are asked to believe that Democrat Colleen Hanabusa can save Hawaii. But we Filipinos, like Rizal, know better than to believe empty promises and failed leadership. That is why in these times of great challenge and upheaval, we support the re-election of Republican Congressman Charles Djou.

The people of Hawaii chose Djou over a Democrat in this year's Special Election because they believed that enough is enough. During his short time in Congress, Djou has already distinguished himself as a man who votes consistently for excellence and courageously for Hawaii. No freshman in Congress has so aggressively pushed for fis-

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HANABUSA: WOMAN OF SUBSTANCE AND PRINCIPLE

By Dr. Belinda A. Aquino

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No less than President Obama himself has weighed in on the spirited race for Hawaii's first congressional district between Democrat Colleen Hanabusa and Republican Charles Djou. This underscores the critical importance of the upcoming midterm elections as the President struggles to retain his party's majority in Congress in the face of aggressive maneuvers by the Republicans to regain control of the body. The presidential endorsement certainly boosts Hanabusa's candidacy, but it must also be noted that the candidate herself has much going for her in her quest for higher office. She will be a most worthy and honorable member of the U.S. Congress.

Hanabusa is a uniquely capable woman motivated by conviction rather than politics as usual. Through the years she has consistently stood up and worked for ordinary people who need help or who have problems with government. She has struggled with major issues of a changing Hawaii and given meaning to the concepts of equality, social justice and fairness. Every-

thing she has accomplished flows from this basic principle.

Space doesn't allow me to argue my position in detail, but I am confident that her public record over the past 12 years as state senator and senate president, her 30 years as a labor attorney, and her many years of community service to common people have prepared her substantially as a future Congresswoman.

She has consistently pursued a liberal agenda that takes the side of the poor and working families, and strongly supports initiatives for health, education, infrastructure, environmental protection, veterans' rights and other benefits for disadvantaged communities. In endorsing her candidacy, Emily's List characterizes Hanabusa as having "earned the trust of progressive organizations and activists as a fighter for workers, civil justice and women's rights in Hawaii – and her background as a labor lawyer will help draw grassroots support from workers and unions."

I haven't known Hanabusa that long personally, but I have become increasingly familiar with her back-

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cal accountability, government transparency and liberty for Americans as Djou has. Hawaii has no intention of going back to the days of special interest-dominated representation and mediocre leadership, and Filipinos know that Djou continues to be the right choice for Hawaii.



There is much work that still needs to be done, both in Congress and in our State Legislature. As Republicans, we have pledged to be the voice of sanity and the shield of liberty against a government that keeps advancing against our freedoms and intruding in our pocket-books. We urge Filipinos to help us continue to fix our economy, to balance the budget, to pay down the national debt and restore America to

a position of leadership and respect by voting not only for Djou, but for all of our candidates in November.

As children of immigrants, our forebears had the advantage of coming to America when freedom and opportunity failed abroad. But if liberty falls here in Hawaii, we will have no place else to go. Let us therefore boldly save our country from the brink of ruin and vote for those best able to accomplish it.

(KYMBERLY MARCOS PINE is the House Republican Floor Leader and represents Eva Beach, Iroquois Point and Paoula. Dany de Gracia is a political scientist, an alumni of the Ludwig von Mises Institute of Austrian Economics and a member of the Hawaii Republican Party Platform Committee.)

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ground, character and leadership qualities. Not born into privilege, she didn't go to Punahou or Harvard. She is a homegrown product of the Waianae Coast, socialized by the work ethic and core values of discipline, simplicity, frugality, civility, compassion and common sense. Her academic training in Sociology and Economics and later in Law at the University of Hawaii essentially shaped her profound understanding and grasp of larger issues in society. She chose Labor Law as her career casting her lot with working people and underprivileged groups. In 1998, she entered state politics promptly distinguishing herself as the "leader of the pack" of 13 new legislators. Through all these, she has always remained close to her roots and homespun beginnings.



She views herself as "not a flashy politician" and this is an accurate self-characterization. She has more to offer than a bright smile or a vigorous hug or handshake. In fact when I first met her, she seemed low-key, even a bit subdued, but you get a sense that here is someone you can trust.

Finally, mention must be made of her toughness, the main ingredient for survival in the messy world of politics. During the special election

in May Hanabusa was heavily pressured to withdraw after having been written off as not "electable." Unfazed by it all, she tenaciously stood her ground and steadfastly remained in the race. The Honolulu Advertiser editorialized her as "not a quitter" who "should be given credit for hanging tough." Her "come-from-behind" victory over her formidable Democratic opponent was stunning to say the least. In a sense, she was the "real winner" in that race.

That's the kind of public servant you want to have around. She has shown her mettle, sincerity, the courage of her convictions, and the ability to persevere for the sake of her principles and constituency. Hanabusa will do us proud as our representative in Congress. Experienced, articulate, hardworking, determined, progressive and positive by temperament, she is more than able and ready for the job.

In effect, what you get is really more than what you see!

(Of Ilokano origin from northern Philippines, DR. BELINDA AQUINO is currently Professor Emeritus at UH Manoa where she taught Political Science and Asian Studies and directed the Center for Philippine Studies for 35 years.)



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SEKSYON 1. Artikulo X, seksyon 2, iti Konstitusyon ti Hawaii ket napabaru a kas mabasa ti sumaranu:

"HUNTA TI EDUKASYON

SEKSYON 2. Addanto hunta ti edukasyon | launen-iti kameng-nga natudangan-iti saan-a nalaenan-a pamayan-kadagiti-qualipaco-nga botante, a kas-impayyan-iti-linget-nga-agappu-iti-dua-a-dakkel-nga-ekuelealan-iti-hunta-distrito-Ti-immuna-nga-ekuelealan-iti-hunta-distrito-masapul-a-launen-iti-isa-ti-Oahu-ken-amin-nga-isa-a-saan-nga-natudangan-a-mabingyangling-iti-maikadua-nga-ekuelealan-iti-hunta-distrito-masapul-a-launen-dagiti-isa-ti-Hawaii, Maui, Lanai, Molokai, Kahoolawe, Kauai, ken-Niihau-Tungpal-dakkel-nga-ekuelealan-iti-hunta-distrito-masapul nga mabingyangbingy kada beneg-iti-distrito-iti-ekuelealan, a kas-impayyan-iti-linget. Masapul nga maaddaan-iti-uray-maya-a kameng-nga-agned-iti-tungal-nga-departamento-iti-distrito-iti-ekuelealan-iti-Estado-Hawaii Etudiante-Consihar-keet-masapul-nga-agned-iti-estudiane-iti-hauku-publico nga agserbi-a kas-saan-a botante-a kameng-iti-hunta-iti-edukasyon. | Ii-gobernador ket masapul nga mangaminim ket gappu ken agraman-iti-balakad-ken-consento-iti-senado,dutukan-kadagiti-kameng-iti-hunta-iti-edukasyon, a kas-impayyan-iti-linget."

SEKSYON 2. Artikulo XVIII iti Hawaii Konstitusyon a napabaru babaeen iti panangpagan iti baru a seksyon tapno husio a madutukan, ken kas mabasa iti sumaranu.

"PANAGBALIW I TI HUNTA TI EDUKASYON

Seksyon 1. Addanto iti tiempo a panagbaliw dagiti napsil a madutukan iti hunta ti edukasyon, nga kas impayyan iti linget.

SEKSYON 3. Ii saludsud nga maimaldit kadagiti balota ket kas ti sumaranu: "Nunan iti Hunta ti Edukasyon ket masabalina ti hunta nga nadutukan ti Gobernador, agraman iti balakad ken consento iti Senado, a kas impayyan iti linget."

SEKSYON 4. Nakubeng ken nakuringan dagiti maiklat a balikas iti Konstitusyon. Naugedan met iti baba dagiti baru a balikas iti Konstitusyon.

SEKSYON 5. Dagitoy panagpabaru ket aglipketo apaman nga maaramind nga kasapulan iti artikulo XVII, seksyon 3, iti Konstitusyon ti Hawaii.

S.B. No. 2807, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1

ITI BILL, NGA MANGIGAPU A MANGIDAGDAG I TI PANAGBALIW I TI ARTIKULO VII, SEKSYON 6, I TI KONSTITUSYON I TI HAWAII, MAIPANGPIP KADAGITI MASAPUL PARA I TI TAX REBATE.

TAPNO MAIPASDEC I TI LEGISLATURA I TI ESTADO TI HAWAII:

SEKSYON 1. Ii panggep daytoy nga Aramid ket mangidagdag ti pinagbaliw iti artikulo VII, seksyon 6, iti Konstitusyon iti Hawaii tapno balilaw iti kasapulan dagiti sobra a kadawayan a pondo a natgedan ket maisulbi kadagiti nagbayad iti buis ti Estado a kas tax refund werno tax credit ken palusban dagiti legislatura nga deposito dagitoy sobra a natgedan iti ureg iti maya werno adadu a pondo, a kas impayyan iti linget, tapno agserbi a temporaryo a pagagaupan iti pondo iti Estado no maadaan iti narikut a maadaan iti narikut a pasamak, bumaba iti ekonomya, werno saan a makita ti pagbasit iti natgedan, a kas impayyan iti natgedan.

SEKSYON 2. Artikulo VII, seksyon 6, iti Konstitusyon iti Hawaii ket nabaliwan a kas sumaranu a mabasa:

"DISPOSISION I TI SOBRA A NATGEDAN

Seksyon 6. No iti pondo ti estado general balance ti manggersa iti cada dua nga asarano nga tawen ket sobra iti cinco por ciento iti general a natgedan cada tawen, ti sumangad nga dua nga pisical a tawen, ti lehislatura iti mayax a kadawayan a panawan masapul nga isaganaan na ti tax refund, werno tax credit para kadagiti nagbayad iti buis iti Estado, werno ag deposito iti maya werno adadu a pondo, a kas impayyan-iti-linget, tapno agserbi a temporaryo a pagagaupan a pasamak, bumaba iti ekonomya, werno saan a makita ti pagbasit iti natgedan, a kas impayyan iti linget."

SEKSYON 3. Ii saludsud nga maimaldit dagiti balota ket kas sumaranu: "Mapayan ngata iti lehislatura iti pagpilian, no iti pondo ti estado general balance ti manggersa iti dua nga asarano nga pisical a tawen ket aglabes iti cinco por ciento iti general nga natgedan cada tawen, ti sumangad nga dua nga pisical nga tawen, masapul nga isaganaan na ti tax refund, werno tax credit para kadagiti nagbayad iti buis Estado, werno ag deposito iti maya werno adadu a pondo, a kas impayyan-iti-linget, tapno agserbi a temporaryo a pagagaupan iti pondo iti Estado no maaddaan iti narikut a pasamak, bumaba iti ekonomya, werno saan a makita ti pagbasit iti natgedan."

SEKSYON 4. Baro a konstitusyon a materyal ket naugedan.

SEKSYON 5. Dagitoy panagpabaru ket aglipketo apaman nga maaramind nga kasapulan iti artikulo XVII, seksyon 3, iti Konstitusyon ti Hawaii.

PATRICIA MAU-SHIMIZU
Clerk of the House of Representatives

CAROL TANGIUCHI
Clerk of the Senate

AIONA... (from page S4)

ensuring that everyone who owes taxes pays their fair share and that tax exemptions are carefully reviewed to see if they are still warranted. By implementing a fair tax collection system, we have the opportunity to determine if corporate and individual income taxes can be lowered in future years as the economy improves.

HFC: *How will you reconcile civil/human rights and religious values when they are at odds at times? For example where do you stand on a) Civil Unions; and b) Abortion/Reproductive Rights?*

DA: As a former city prosecutor, former state judge and now as Lt. Governor, I have spent my entire adult life uphold-

ing and defending the Constitution, and I will continue to do so.

I believe each state needs to handle the issue in accordance with the will of its people. In Hawaii's case, I believe the will of the people has been and is quite clear on the issue of same-sex marriage and civil unions, as demonstrated by election vote in 1998 and public opposition in 2009.

I support traditional marriage between a man and a woman, and, as Governor, I will propose a constitutional amendment to define this issue once and for all.

I support the benefits provided to same-sex couples currently available in Hawaii's domestic partnership law and am open to considering expanding those reciprocal beneficiary benefits through changes in state statutes.

HFC: *What have you done to earn Hawaii's Filipino vote?*

DA: This election is going to be won on the grassroots level, and my team is on the ground in communities throughout the state. We're going after every vote on every island and we're opening campaign offices in every county, and reaching out to working families and small businesses across the state.

My wife Vivian, Lynn Finnegan and our Filipino Coalition chairs Pete Beltrone, Alex Gines and Sue Ann Lu will help me draw upon their heritage and strong connection with the Filipino community to shape the next chapter in Hawaii's future.

Lynn, in particular, brings together the right mix of legislative experience, fresh ideas and an unwavering commit-

ment to ensure balance, integrity and accountability in state government while reducing the financial burden on our working families and small businesses, creating job opportunities and investing in the quality of education.

HFC: *Who is your personal mentor and how has he or she influenced your leadership style and your overall character?*

DA: My favorite mentor was, and is, my mom. She was a teacher, and she helped to cultivate in me a love for reading and learning. Her impact on my life is beyond measure, and it's my sincere hope that I have instilled in my children the same appreciation and love for reading and learning that she gave me.

ABERCROMBIE... (from page S5)

I hate crimes to protect victims of violence motivated by gender, sexual orientation or disability. I have worked closely with civil rights leaders in Hawaii to promote state compliance with federally mandated language assistance for limited English proficient newcomers to facilitate their access to health and social services.

Also in Congress, I co-sponsored the Family Reunification Act, a bill that would have allowed Filipino families reunite sooner with their families.

The most gratifying legislation I have worked on is supporting a provision in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to establish the Filipino Veterans Equity Compensation Fund, which provides a one-time benefit payment to eligible Filipino World War II veterans. They have fought hard for twenty years to finally achieve this small token of appreciation for their service and sacrifice in World War II.

HFC: *Who is your personal mentor and*

how has he or she influenced your leadership style and your overall character?

NA: When I was a junior at Williamsview High School in New York, I met a teacher, Frank Coward. He told our class, "I'm about to enrich your life far beyond your ability to ever repay me." Those words have stuck with me ever since. The first thing I read was Julius Caesar and that's when I began to understand the concept of irony. Mr. Coward's class opened my

mind to critical thinking.

After graduating, I went to Union College because Mr. Coward went there. And at Union College, I saw a posting about a teaching assistant's job in Hawaii that brought me to our islands.

Sadly, Mr. Coward died earlier this year at the age of 91. A teacher can change a student's life, like the way Mr. Coward changed mine. Every child deserves a teacher like him. We can create an atmosphere in our public schools where teachers like Mr. Coward are empowered, supported, and rewarded.

FILIPINO CANDIDATES... (from page S9)

(2) To make sure that the Leeward bikeway from Waipio to Nanakuli goes through.

Name: MARISSA CAPELOUTO (R)

Position Seeking: State House District 40 (Makakilo, Kapolei, Royal Kunia)

Opponent: Sharon Har (D)



Background: Born in the Philippines and earned a Bachelor of Science in Customs Administration from the Philippine Maritime Institute in Manila. Moved to Hawaii in 1987. President of Oahu Express, Ltd., a Kapolei-based shipping company.

Top two priorities if elected: As a business owner, mother, wife and community leader, I stepped in to run for public office to help Hawaii rise out of this economic slump and to renew hopes for a healthy economy and family security. I will also work to create jobs. I will propose and vote for tax relief—to cap and repeal taxes that we do not need at this time.

Name: GIL KEITH-AGARAN (D)

Position Seeking: Re-election to State House District 9 (Kahului, Paia)

Opponent: Jeff Hoylman (R)



Background: Appointed by Gov. Lingle to finish the term of the late Rep. Bob Nakasone. Served on Gov. Cayetano's cabinet at the Dept. of Land & Natural Resources (Board Chair and Deputy Director), Dept. of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (Deputy Director), Dept. of Labor and Industrial Relations (Director) and at the Maui County Dept. of Public Works and Environmental Management (Director). Received a B.A. from Yale College and a J.D. from the UC-Berkeley's Boalt Hall School of Law.

Top two priorities if elected: Making sure our residents are working or can get a decent job, and making sure our kids have all the opportunities in the world. We need to support local businesses and working families. We need to partner as a community in making sure our kids have safe and well-supplied schools, well-trained and motivated teachers, and neighborhoods supportive of student achievement and dreams.

Name: JOEY MANAHAN (D)

Position Seeking: Re-election to State House of Representatives, District 29 (Kalihi, Sand Island)

Opponent: Ken Harding (R)



Background: Born in Manila, the Philippines and arrived in Hawaii in 1994. Graduated from UH-Manoa.

Top two priorities if elected: My top priority would be working with the new administration to ensure that our quality of life is maintained, if not improved. We also need to streamline government, so we are able to balance the State's budget, hopefully without raising the general excise tax. We also need to look at ways in which our State can be more energy independent. In doing so, we may be able to finally diversify our economy, so we are not solely dependent on tourism for our main source of revenue. Apart from these, the following are my other priorities for District 29: 1) Education: the repairs and maintenance backlogs of our schools should be a spending priority as well as capital improvements such as electrical upgrades. 2) Health and Human Services: making sure our health centers continue to be accessible so they can provide much needed services and programs to assist our communities. 3) Housing: the repair and maintenance of public housing is paramount. 4) Harbors and Airport modernization.

Name: KYMBERLY PINE (R)

Position Seeking: Re-election to State House District 43 (Ewa Beach, West Loch)

Opponent: Jason Bradshaw (D)



Experience: Elected to the House in 2004. Served on the Education; Higher Education, Labor & Public Employment; Legislative Management; Public Safety; and Transportation committees.

Background: Former journalist, Lector OLPH Catholic Church, homeless advocate, Former AYSO Soccer Coach, Former Weed and Seed Chairperson

Name: LAWRENCE SAGAYSAY (D)

Position Seeking: State House of Representatives, District 46 (Kahuku, N. Shore, Schofield)

Opponent: Gil Riviere (R)



Experience: Worked as Legislative Office Manager for former Rep. Michael Magaoy from 1999 to 2010.

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO VOTE**HOW TO VOTE AT THE POLLING PLACE**

If you're a first-time voter or haven't voted in a while, the following is a guide of what to do at the polling place.

First, go to the Information and Ballot Demonstration Station located outside the polling place. A precinct official will:

- Assist you in checking that your name is on the List of Registered Voters;
- Verify that you are at the correct polling place;
- Verify that you are properly registered; and
- Instruct you in the proper voting procedures.

Second, go to the Poll Book Station. Names are arranged in the poll book alphabetically by last name. Go to the alpha line that corresponds to the first letter of your last name. You will be asked to:

- Verify your identity with a picture ID (such as your driver's license);
- Verify the information in the poll book; and
- Sign the poll book.

Third, go to the Ballot Issuing Station. The official at the Ballot Issuing Station will issue you ballots and a ballot secrecy folder. The amount of ballots you receive and the procedures for voting varies according to the type of election. Then you will be allowed to enter an enclosed voting booth where you can select your candidates.

Fourth, after making your selections, go to the Ballot Box Station. Deposit your ballot into the precinct counter machine and that completes the process.

Important Calendar Dates for the General Election

OCTOBER 19
General Election walk-in absentee voting Begins

OCTOBER 26
Last day to request absentee mail ballots for the General Election

OCTOBER 30
Last day to vote at General Election walk-in absentee polling places

NOVEMBER 2
GENERAL ELECTION DAY, 7 AM TO 6 PM

Call Any Of These Offices for Questions on The General Election

OFFICE OF ELECTIONS
(808) 453-8683

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
(808) 768-3800

COUNTY OF HAWAII
(808) 961-8277

COUNTY OF MAUI
(808) 270-7749

COUNTY OF KAUAI
(808) 241-4800

HOW TO VOTE ABSENTEE BY MAIL

Did you want the convenience of voting absentee ballot by mail? It's a simple process. Complete an application for Absentee Voter Ballot. Registered voters can pick up an application at Satellite City Halls, Office of the City/County Clerks, U.S. Post Offices, all public libraries and all state agencies. Mail-in the completed application to the City or County Clerk. Instructions on how to vote will be sent to the applicant. From Oct. 19 to Oct 30, absentee voters can cast their vote at walk-in polling places located at the Offices of the City or County Clerk. For a location nearest you, call the Office of Elections at 453-8683. Be sure to carry proper photo identification to the walk-in polling site.

VOTERS ARE ALLOWED TIME-OFF FROM WORK TO VOTE

Registered voters who work on the day of General Election are entitled to leave to vote as provided by state law. Voters are entitled to a maximum of two consecutive hours off from work. Voters shall NOT be subject to any penalty, rescheduling of normal hours, or deductions from salary or wages because of absence from voting. The polling place hours are from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Any employer may make appropriate deductions from the salary or wages of an employee who takes time-off to vote but fails to do so during the time allotted. Voters must retain their ballot stub as proof of voting.



VOTE!

LYNN VASQUEZ

FOR HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE

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DISTRICT 27

LYNN VASQUEZ is the daughter of the late Mauro Asuncion (Batac, Philippines) and Hortense Herosa (Kaleleo, Kauai). She was married to the late Conrado "Boy" Vasquez, former Bantam Weight champion of the Philippines and Super Bantam Weight champion of California for 20 years.

Lynn is Co-Founder of The Slippah Foundation which gives Slippers, Clothes, Toys and Food to the Public Housing and Homeless Keiki in Hawaii. She is active in the City and County Weed and Seed Adopt-A-Block Program and has served as Treasurer on the Kailua/Palama Neighborhood Board. She recently was elected Treasurer for the Liliha Neighborhood Board.

Lynn sees this candidacy as an opportunity to get more communities involved in government. She believes that workplace bullying needs to be addressed. For more info, go to <http://www.honolulualliance.org>

Endorsed By:
HGEA, HSTA, UPW, HAWAII TEAMSTERS LOCAL 996 PAC, THE HAWAII WOMEN'S POLITICAL CAUCUS, Progressive PAC, Progressive Democrats and Hawaii Equality Action Fund.

<http://www.lynn.vasquez.com>

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Hawai'i's Leaders support an appointed Board of Education.**Patricia Hamamoto**

Department of Education Superintendent, 2001-2009

"With this year's general election ballot, we have a chance to make Hawai'i's Board of Education significantly more accountable for their actions. That's why I'm asking you to vote YES for an appointed Board of Education. It is the one thing you can do to improve public education in Hawai'i. Because until the Board is accountable, nothing will change."

**Eddie Flores**

President & Chief Executive Officer, I&I Drive-Inn/ I&I Hawaiian Barbecue

"If WE, as a community, are to reach new heights, we need more effective policies governing our public education system to ensure that our kids are educated with the skills and knowledge to compete in the world. The first step is voting YES on the constitutional amendment for an appointed Board of Education."

**Ron Taketa**

Financial Secretary, Hawai'i Carpenters Union

"We owe it to our kids to prepare them for jobs that offer decent wages and benefits after graduation. But too many enter the workforce lacking the basic knowledge and skills that employers expect from young workers seeking opportunities to raise and comfortably support their own families in the future."



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2010 GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATES

STATE OF HAWAII

LEGEND	
D	= DEMOCRAT
F	= FREE ENERGY
G	= GREEN
L	= LIBERTARIAN
N	= NONPARTISAN
NS	= NONPARTISAN SPECIAL
R	= REPUBLICAN

U.S. SENATOR

- (G) BREWER, JIM
- (R) CAVASSO, CAM
- (D) INOUE, DANIEL K.
- (N) JARRETT, JEFF
- (L) MALLAN, LLOYD JEFFREY

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1

- (R) DJOU, CHARLES
- (D) HANABUSA, COLLEEN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2

- (L) BROCK, PAT
- (D) HIRONO, MAZIE
- (N) VON SONN, ANDREW
- VSEVOLOD
- (R) WILLOUGHBY, JOHN

GOVERNOR

- (D) ABERCROMBIE, NEIL
- (R) AIONA, DUKE
- (F) CUNNINGHAM, DANIEL
- (N) POLLARD, THOMAS

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

- (R) FINNEGAN, LYNN BERBANO
- (N) KAMA, LEONARD LEO
- (D) SCHATZ, BRIAN
- (F) SPENCE, DEBORAH (JO B)

STATE SENATOR

DISTRICT 2

- (R) HALE, MICHAEL W.
- (D) KOKUBUN, RUSSELL S.

DISTRICT 4

- (R) SEIBERT, ERIC
- (D) TSUTSUI, SHAN S.

DISTRICT 7

- (R) HAMMAN, DAVID R.
- (D) KOUCHI, RONALD D.

DISTRICT 8

- (D) PRICE, LARRY
- (R) SLOM, SAM

DISTRICT 9

- (D) IHARA, LES S., JR.
- (R) SHORBA, LISA LEHALOHA

DISTRICT 10

- (R) MARSHALL, ERIC B.
- (D) TANIGUCHI, BRIAN T.

DISTRICT 13

- (D) CHUN OAKLAND, SUZANNE N.J.
- (R) FRANKLIN, JUDY C.

DISTRICT 14

- (R) DUDEK, PETER
- (D) KIM, DONNA MERCADO

DISTRICT 15

- (R) PASCUA, BEN
- (D) WAKAI, GLENN

DISTRICT 19

- (R) BONAR, AARON TOA
- (D) GABBARD, MIKE

DISTRICT 20

- (D) ESPERO, WILL
- (R) MONTES, ANEL A. (TITO)

DISTRICT 22

- (R) AKI, CHARLES (BO)
- (D) DELA CRUZ, DONOVAN

DISTRICT 24

- (R) BEAN, TRACY NAKANAO
- (D) TOKUDA, JILL N

DISTRICT 25

- (R) ENOS, VIRGINIA
- (D) RYAN, POHAI

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

DISTRICT 1

- (R) D'ALMEIDA, ERIC PAUL
- (D) NAKASHIMA, MARK M.

DISTRICT 2

- (D) CHANG, JERRY LESLIE
- (R) VANNATTA, SHARON (DeMELLO)

DISTRICT 3

- (R) CORTEZ-CAMERO, TANIA
- (D) TSUJI, CLIFTON K. (CLIFF)

DISTRICT 4

- (D) HANOHANO, FAYE P.
- (R) HAPAL, MARLENE (NACHBAR)

DISTRICT 5

- (L) FOGEL, FRED
- (D) HERKES, ROBERT (BOB)

DISTRICT 6

- (D) COFFMAN, DENNY
- (R) LEAU, REBECCA N. (BECKY)

DISTRICT 7

- (D) EVANS, CINDY
- (R) HENDERSON, SCOTT W. (HENDO)

DISTRICT 8

- (R) SCHMUCKER, DEAN
- (D) SOUKI, JOE

DISTRICT 9

- (R) HOYLMAN, JEFF
- (D) KEITH-AGARAN, GIL S.

DISTRICT 10

- (R) MADDEN, RAMON KITAICHI
- (D) MCKELVEY, ANGUS L.K.

DISTRICT 11

- (D) BERTRAM, JOSEPH III
- (R) FONTAINE, GEORGE R.

DISTRICT 12

- (R) RINALDI, LAURIE
- (D) YAMASHITA, KYLE

DISTRICT 13

- (R) AKUNA, MELINE K.
- (D) CARROLL, MELE

DISTRICT 14

- (D) MORITA, HERMINA (MINA)
- (R) WILLIAMS, HARRY E.

DISTRICT 15

- (R) FILLHART, LARRY
- (D) TOKIOKA, JAMES KUNANE

DISTRICT 16

- (D) MORIKAWA, DAYNETTE
- (R) STERKER, PHIL

DISTRICT 18

- (R) BARON, CHRIS (PEI-JI)
- (D) HASHEM, MARK JON.

DISTRICT 20

- (R) ALLEN, JULIA E.
- (D) SAY, CALVIN K.Y.

DISTRICT 21

- (R) LEMBECK, JAY
- (D) NISHIMOTO, SCOTT Y

DISTRICT 22

- (R) CUADRA, GREGORY (GREG)
- (D) SAIKI, SCOTT K.

DISTRICT 23

- (R) BROWER, Tom
- (R) WHITE, Thomas E.

DISTRICT 24

- (D) CHOY, ISAAC W.
- (R) THOMSON, ZACH

DISTRICT 25

- (D) BELATTI, DELLA AU
- (R) SABEY, ISIAH KAUKA

DISTRICT 26

- (R) KATZ, NORM
- (D) LUKE, SYLVIA

DISTRICT 27

- (R) CHING, CORINNE WEI LAN
- (D) VASQUEZ, LYNNE

DISTRICT 28

- (R) CHANG, DAVID S.Y.
- (D) RHOADS, KARL

DISTRICT 29

- (R) HARDING, KEN
- (D) MANAHAN, JOEY

DISTRICT 30

- (R) KAAPU, CAROLE KALIHUAI
- (D) MIZUNO, JOHN

DISTRICT 31

- (D) ICHIYAMA, LINDA E.
- (R) SHIMIZU, GARNER MUSASHI

DISTRICT 32

- (R) JOHANSON, AARON LING
- (D) SHARSH, LEI

DISTRICT 33

- (R) KONG, SAM
- (D) OSHIRO, BLAKE

DISTRICT 34

- (D) TAKAI, K. MARK
- (R) WONG, WILLIAM G.K.

DISTRICT 35

- (D) AQUINO, HENRY J.C.
- (R) YAGO, REGINALD A.

DISTRICT 36

- (R) SHIRAKI, REED S.
- (D) TAKUMI, ROY M.

DISTRICT 37

- (R) FUKUMOTO, BETH
- (D) YAMANE, RYAN I.

DISTRICT 38

- (R) KAWAKAMI, SHAUN HAYATO
- (D) LEE, MARLYN B.

DISTRICT 39

- (R) CURTIS, SAM
- (D) OSHIRO, MARCUS R.

DISTRICT 40

- (R) CAPELOUTO, MARISSA
- (D) HAR, SHARON E.

DISTRICT 41

- (D) CULLEN, TY
- (R) WONG, CARL J.

DISTRICT 42

- (R) BERG, TOM
- (D) CABANILLA ARAKAWA, RIDA

DISTRICT 43

- (D) BRADSHAW, JASON
- (R) PINE, KYMBERLY (MARCOSS)

DISTRICT 45

- (R) MEYERS, JADEN
- (D) SHIMABUKURO, MAILE S.L.

DISTRICT 46

- (R) RIVIERE, GIL
- (D) SAGAYSAY, LARRY

DISTRICT 47

- (R) FALE, RICHARD
- (D) WOOLEY, JESSICA E.

DISTRICT 48

- (D) ITO, KEN
- (R) RADKE, MO

DISTRICT 49

- (R) AIONA, JOSEPH
- (D) CHONG, PONO

DISTRICT 51

- (D) LEE, CHRIS
- (R) WOLFGRAMM, MAKA

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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- (NS) MARTIN, ERNIE YORIHICO
- (NS) WHITE, JOHN D.

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- (NS) CHANG, STANLEY
- (NS) TURBIN, RICH

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- (NS) SMART, BRITTANY

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MAUI MAYOR

- (NS) ARAKAWA, ALAN M.
- (NS) TAVARES, CHARMARINE

COUNCIL MEMBER

EAST MAUI

- (NS) CARROLL, ROBERT
- (NS) MEDEIROS, BILL (KAUAKA)

WEST MAUI

- (NS) COHIRAN, ELLE
- (NS) FUKUYAMA, ALAN

WAILUKU-WAIIHEE-WAIKAPU

- (NS) GAPERU, LISA
- (NS) VICTORINO, MICHAEL (MIKE)

KAHULUI

- (NS) PONTANILLA, JOE

SOUTH MAUI

- (NS) COUCH, DON P.O.
- (NS) NISHIKI, WAYNE K.

MAKAWAO-HAIKU-PAIA

- (NS) NISHIKI, KAI
- (NS) WHITE, MIKE

UPCOUNTY

- (NS) BAISA, GLADYS COELHO

LANAI

- (NS) HOKAMA, RIKI
- (NS) MANO, MATTHEW J. K. (MATT)

MOLOKAI

- (NS) MATEO, DANNY A.

COUNTY OF KAUAI

KAUAI MAYOR

- (NS) CARVALHO, BERNARD P
- (NS) LABEDZ, DIANA P.O.

COUNCIL MEMBER

KAUAI COUNCILMEMBER (7)

- (NS) ASING, BILL (KAPO)
- (NS) BIEBER, ROLF H.
- (NS) BYNUM, TIM
- (NS) CHANG, DICKIE (WALAAU)
- (NS) DALIGDIG, TED III
- (NS) FOWLER, DENNIS M.
- (NS) FURFARO, JAY
- (NS) JUSTUS, ED
- (NS) KAWAKAMI, DEREK S.K.
- (NS) KUALII, KUPUKAI LES P.
- (NS) NAKAMURA, NADINE K.
- (NS) RAPOZO, MEL
- (NS) TAYLOR, KEN
- (NS) YUKIMURA, JOANN A.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

II SCHOOL BOARD

II SCHOOL BOARD 2ND DEPT/MAUI (1)

I SCHOOL BOARD 6TH DEPT/WINDWARD (1)

- (NS) FRETAS, VALZEY
- (NS) PENEBACKER, JOHN R.

I SCHOOL BOARD NO DEPT SCH DIST RES (3)

- (NS) BAILEY, MELANIE
- (NS) IWAMOTO, KIM COCO
- (NS) TAKABAYASHI, ROGER Kiyoshi
- (NS) YAMANE, BRIAN Y.
- (NS) YEE, RANDALL M.L.
- (NS) YOUNG, PAMELA

BOARD OF EDUCATION

I SCHOOL BOARD

I SCHOOL BOARD 5TH DEPT/LEEWARD (1)

- (NS) AROLA, JAMES
- (NS) KURSHALS, MARALYN A.
- (NS) O'NEAL, DAVID

WHERE TO VOTE



POLLING PRECINCTS

15TH DISTRICT

Hawi-Hilo
01 01 Kohala High and Elem Sch
01 02 Hilo Union Elem Sch
01 03 Kulaiano Community Ctr
01 04 Honoka'a High Sch
01 05 Panilo Elem Sch
01 06 Kalandiano Elem/Inter Sch
01 07 Papa'aloa Gym
01 08 Honohina Hongwanji
01 09 Puuoe Multi-Culture Ctr

2ND DISTRICT

Pihonua-Kaunama
02 01 Ernest B DeSilva Elem Sch
02 02 Kaunama Elem Sch Cafeteria
02 03 Hilo Hi Sch
02 04 Keaukaha Elem Sch
02 05 Edith Kanaoale Tennis Stad

3RD DISTRICT

Hilo-Glenwood
03 01 AJA Memorial Hall
03 02 Hale Aloha Nazarene Sch
03 03 Hilo Dajungu Activity Center
03 04 Waiakea High Sch
03 05 Keau Middle Sch
03 06 Waiakea Elem Sch
03 07 Waiakeawa Elem Sch

4TH DISTRICT

Pahoa-Kalapana
04 01 Kuristown Assembly of God Church
04 02 Keau High Sch
04 03 Hawaiian Paradise Comm Ctr
04 04 Keonepoko Elem Sch
04 05 Pahoa Community Ctr
04 06 Church on a Sure Foundation

5TH DISTRICT

Volcano-Kainalu
05 01 Mountain View Elem Sch
05 02 Mountain View Senior Center
05 03 Cooper Ctr
05 04 Kau High Sch
05 05 Naalehu Elem Sch
05 06 Ocean View Community Ctr
05 07 Milolii Halau Milolii Pavilion
05 08 Hookena Elem Sch
05 09 St Benedict Catholic Church
05 10 Konawaena Elem Sch
05 11 Konawaena High Sch

6TH DISTRICT

Keaunohu-Honokohau
06 01 Kealaheke Inter Sch
06 02 Kahakai Elem Sch
06 03 Kona Vistas Rec Ctr
06 04 Kona Innt Ctr
06 05 Kekuaoakalani Gym at Kaiua Park

7TH DISTRICT

Makalawena-Waimea
07 01 Kealaheke High Sch
07 02 Kona Palisades Community Ctr
07 03 Waikoloa Elem Sch
07 04 Waimea Civic Ctr
07 05 Waimea New Hope Church

15TH DISTRICT

Waiiua-Koloa
15 01 Kapaa Middle School
15 02 King Kaunualii Elem Sch
15 03 Kauai War Mem Con Hall
15 04 Chiefess Kamakaha'ele Middle Sch
15 05 Koloa Neighborhood Ctr

16TH DISTRICT

Niihau, Poipu-Kokee
16 01 Koloa Elem Sch
16 02 Kalaeo Neighborhood Ctr
16 03 Hanapepe Recreation Ctr
16 04 Kaumakani Neighborhood Ctr
16 05 Waimea Neighborhood Ctr
16 06 Kekaha Neighborhood Ctr
16 07 Niihau Elem/High Sch

17TH DISTRICT

Kalama Valley-Hawaii Kai
17 01 Kaiser High Sch
17 02 Koko Head Elem Sch
17 03 Kamiloiki Elem Sch
17 04 Hahaione Elem Sch

18TH DISTRICT

Hahaione Valley-Aina Haina
18 01 Hahaione Elem Sch
18 02 Kahala Elem Sch
18 03 Holy Trinity Church
18 04 Niu Valley Middle Sch
18 05 Aina Haina Elem Sch

19TH DISTRICT

Kalani Valley-Diamond Head
19 01 Kalani High Sch
19 02 Aliiolani Elem Sch
19 03 Wilson Elem Sch
19 04 Waialae Elem Sch

20TH DISTRICT

St. Louis Heights-Wihelmina Rise
20 01 Anuenue Elem Sch
20 02 Jarrett Middle Sch
20 03 Hokolani Elem Sch
20 04 Liliuokalani Elem Sch

21ST DISTRICT

Kaimuki-Waikiki
21 01 Kaimuki High Sch
21 02 HI Ctr for Deaf/Blind
21 03 Ala Wai Elem Sch
21 04 Waikiki Elem Sch
21 05 Jefferson Elem Sch

22ND DISTRICT

Moliiili-McCully
22 01 Lanulalo Elem Sch
22 02 Kuhio Elem Sch
22 03 Washington Middle Sch

23RD DISTRICT

Waikiki-Ala Moana
23 01 919 Ala Moana Bldg
23 02 Waikiki Community Ctr
23 03 Ala Wai Community Park

24TH DISTRICT

Manoa
24 01 Manoa Elem Sch
24 02 Neolani Elem Sch
24 03 University Laboratory Sch
24 04 Central Union Church

25TH DISTRICT

Tantalus-Makiki
25 01 Lincoln Elem Sch
25 02 Christ United Methodist Church
25 03 St Clement's Episcopal Church
25 04 Olivet Baptist Church
25 05 Makiki District Park

26TH DISTRICT

Pacific Heights-Punchbowl
26 01 Kawananakoa Middle Sch
26 02 Nuuanu Elem Sch
26 03 Stevenson Middle Sch
26 04 Royal Elem Sch

27TH DISTRICT

Nuuanu-Liliha
27 01 Lanakila Elem Sch
27 02 Likelike Elem Sch
27 03 Maemae Elem Sch

28TH DISTRICT

Kakaako-Downtown
28 01 Kaahumanu Elem Sch
28 02 McKinley Comm Sch for Adults
28 03 McKinley High Sch
28 04 Kaiulani Elem Sch
28 05 Central Middle Sch

29TH DISTRICT

Kalihi-Kapalama
29 01 Fern Elem Sch
29 02 Farrington High Sch

30TH DISTRICT

Alewa Valley-Kalihi
30 01 Helemano Elem Sch
30 02 Kalihi Uka Elem Sch
30 03 Moanalua Elem Sch
30 04 Kaewai Elem Sch

31ST DISTRICT

Moanui Valley-Salt Lake
31 01 Moanui Middle Sch
31 02 Moanui High Sch
31 03 Salt Lake Elem Sch

32ND DISTRICT

Mapunapuna-Foster Village
32 01 Moanalua Elem Sch
32 02 Aiea Elem Sch
32 03 Aieamanu Middle Sch
32 04 Makalapa Elem Sch
32 05 Radford High School

33RD DISTRICT

Aiea-Halawa
33 01 Aiea High Sch
33 02 Halawa District Park
33 03 Pearlridge Elem Sch

34TH DISTRICT

Newtonon-Pearl City
34 01 Calvary Chapel of Honolulu
34 02 Lehua Elem Sch
34 03 Waimalu Elem Sch
34 04 Hahaione Inter Sch

35TH DISTRICT

Pearl-City- Waipahu
35 01 Crestview Community Park
35 02 Waipahu High Sch
35 03 August Ahrens Elem Sch
35 04 Waipahu Elem Sch

36TH DISTRICT

Pearl City- Waipahu
36 01 Palisades Elem Sch
36 02 Pearl City Highlands Elem Sch
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36 03 Manana Elem Sch
36 04 Leeward Community College

37TH DISTRICT

Waipahu-Mililani
37 01 Kanoelani Elem Sch
37 02 Mililani High Sch
37 03 Mililani Uka Elem Sch
37 04 Mililani Dist Park

38TH DISTRICT

Mililani-Mililani Mauka
38 01 Mililani Mauka Elem Sch
38 02 Mililani Middle Sch
38 03 Mililani Waena Elem Sch
38 04 Mililani High Sch

39TH DISTRICT

Wahiawa-Poamoho
39 01 Helemano Elem Sch
39 02 Wahiawa Middle Sch
39 03 Leilehua High Sch
39 04 Kipapa Elem Sch

40TH DISTRICT

Makakilo-Kapolei
40 01 Hoaeae Comm Pk
40 02 Kapolei Elem Sch
40 03 Kapolei High School
40 04 Makakilo Elem Sch
40 05 Mauka Lani Elem Sch

41ST DISTRICT

Waipahu-Waialeale
41 01 Waialeale Elem Sch
41 02 Kaloiepon Elem Sch
41 03 Honowai Elem Sch
41 04 Waipahu Elem Sch

42ND DISTRICT

Waipahu-Ewa
42 01 Waipahu Field
42 02 Waipahu Inter Sch
42 03 Ilima Inter Sch
42 04 Ewa Elem Sch

43RD DISTRICT

Ewa Beach-Iroquois Point
43 01 Ewa Beach Elem Sch
43 02 Helomua Elem Sch
43 03 Campbell High Sch
43 04 Pohakea Elem Sch

44TH DISTRICT

Kalaheoa-Nanakuli
44 01 Kamokila Park
44 02 Maili Elem Sch
44 03 Nanaikapone Elem Sch

45TH DISTRICT

Waianae-Makua
45 01 Makaha Elem Sch
45 02 Waianae Inter Sch

46TH DISTRICT

Schofield-Kahuku
46 01 Kahuku High/Inter Sch
46 02 National Guard Armory
46 03 Waialua Elem Sch
46 04 Sunset Beach Elem Sch

47TH DISTRICT

Laiie-Kahalua
47 01 Hauula Elem Sch
47 02 Kahalua Elem Sch
47 03 Ahuimanu Elem Sch
47 04 King Inter Sch

48TH DISTRICT

Heeia-Kaneohe
48 01 Heeia Elem Sch
48 02 Kapunahala Elem Sch
48 03 Castle High Sch
48 04 Kaneohe Elem Sch

49TH DISTRICT

Maunawili-Kaneohe
49 01 Enchanted Lake Elem Sch
49 02 Puoaha Elem Sch
49 03 Maunawili Elem Sch
49 04 Benjamin Parker Elem Sch

50TH DISTRICT

Kaneohe-Kailua
50 01 Kainalu Elem Sch
50 02 Kalaheo High Sch
50 03 Kailua Elem Sch
50 04 Kailua Elem Sch

51ST DISTRICT

Lanikai-Waimanalo
51 01 Lanikai Elem Sch
51 02 Waimanalo Elem/Inter Sch
51 03 Pope Elem Sch
51 04 Keolu Elem Sch
51 05 Keolu Elem Sch

FILIPINO CANDIDATES... (from page S12)

Background: Born and raised in Waialua. Employed with the Hawaii Army National Guard and worked as a supply clerk, unit supply sergeant, production recruiter and career counselor before retiring in 1999.

Top two priorities if elected: Balancing the State's budget has to be at the top and the second has to be education. During this past legislative session, there was a bill to raise the general excise tax (GET) in an effort to close the budget gap. Raising the GET would have been counter-productive and would have drastically increased the already high cost of living in Hawaii. Raising the G.E.T. would also raise the cost of doing business in Hawaii, discourage new businesses from starting up and impose a financial strain on businesses. One of my proposals is to offer new businesses a tax incentive. One of the conditions would be to hire Hawaii residents who would be working for these new companies.

My second priority is education. The funding of public education is important because it will give our children the knowledge, skills and experiences necessary to succeed. The cutting of various school programs left our school system underfunded and eroded our commitment to the public education system. There has to be a balance. Where there is growth in our economy, there has to also be a proportional increase in funding for our schools.

Name: LYNN VASQUEZ (D)

Position Seeking: State House of Representatives, District 27 (Liliha, Puunui)

Opponent: Corinne Ching (R)



Background: Born and raised in the Kalihi-Palama-Chinatown-Puunui area.

Father was from Batac, Ilocos Norte. Married to the late Conrado "Boy" Vasquez, a boxing champion in the Philippines and California and member of the Laborers Local 368.

Experience: Co-founder of the Slipshah Wish Foundation, volunteer with the KauKau Wagon, involved with City & County Weed & Seed and Adopt-a-Block programs, member of Neighborhood Board No. 14 and a previous member of the Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board.

Top two priorities if elected: My top two priorities would be to stop legislation on the proposed National Heritage Area (NHA). I have been lobbying and educating the public about the NHA since I first heard about it as a member of the Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board. It is why I ran for office.

I also would like to address work place bullying. Too many employees who are not protected by unions suffer from verbal and other work place violence which they are too afraid to report.

Name: REGINALD A. YAGO (R)

Position Seeking: State House of Representatives, District 35 (Waipahu, Crestview)

Opponent: Henry Aquino (D)



Background: Graduated from Damien Memorial High School and attended school in Chicago. Returned to Hawaii and worked for a real estate developer and as a realtor.

Top two priorities if elected: While campaigning, I met many families that have struggled through these tough economic times. My first priority will be to help small businesses, many of which are run by Filipinos, by lowering tax burdens. By creating a business-friendly atmosphere, they will have the confidence to create more jobs. My other concern is the education of Hawaii's children. It's important to understand that a huge portion of Hawaii's budget goes to the Department of Education (DOE). Yet, we do not know how they spend our tax money. My second priority is to audit the DOE and to mandate that 90 percent of their budget be spent on the school level.

BIG ISLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

Name: FRED BLAS

Position Seeking: Big Island Council, District 5 (Puna)



Background: Born in Guam and grew up on the Mainland. A certified automotive technician, he studied business management at Long Beach City College and at the Sears Institute of Management. He worked for 11 years as a Sears automotive manager in California and then opened his own tire dealership. Moved to the Big Island in 1998, worked as a consultant for Lex Brodie's and lived in Hilo until 2003, when he and his wife moved to Hawaiian Beaches.

Top two priorities if elected: We have many needs such as jobs, small businesses, water for some of our subdivisions, more bus scheduling in certain areas, transportation, up-grades of our parks and sports activities to keep kids busy. I will form a task force to locate derelict cars and a volunteer task force to locate Albezis trees because they are dangerous and can destroy lives and homes should they fall. I will also try to bring a dialysis center to Pahoehoe. I support more police enforcement of laws against crimes, drugs, speeders & drunk drivers—especially teenage drinking.

Puna needs a leader who can be trusted, who has vision, common sense and fairness. Having been in business, I know how to work within a budget and to curtail expenses. I want Puna residents to feel safe and to enjoy a better quality of life.

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