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Aloha,

Our weather has been oppressively hot and muggy these past few weeks and months but apparently we are due for some relief with the rain showers the next couple of days. The state of our public safety is still questionable with the shootings and stabbings that have occurred throughout our community. When you consider the economic forecast from the University of Hawaii's Economic Research Organization (UHERO) which predicts slowed down economic growth and a declining population, payroll and fewer jobs, it doesn't have much to be hopeful about.

Our future as a state and as residents here calls us to seek solutions to our housing costs, income growth, new job creation, improve our sense of personal security and answer calls for dealing with climate change. I remain optimistic that we can come together and make a better future for our children and ourselves. I hope you too are willing to make that happen.

Mahalo,

Clarence K Nishihara

Interview with Hawaii Tech Academy Students

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Senator Nishihara met with two students, their teacher, and the Administrative Director of Partnerships and Innovation Mary Wenstrom from Hawaii Tech Academy. The students were Orion Pangklub, Clarke Gabat and their teacher, Deborah Morita. They talked about Hawai'i's Plantation Village and the Rail Project.

74th Anniversary Celebrating the End of World War II



Senator Nishihara was one of a number of elected officials, military personnel, retired military and the members of the general public that attended the 74th Anniversary of the ending of World War II, aboard the USS Missouri. The event was held on September 2nd, and commemorated the lives lost in the largest global conflict the world has ever seen. On the left, Senator is pictured with Congressman Ed Case and Senator Kurt Fevella.

Waipio Point Access Road Project

Sen. Nishihara met with members of the Waipio Point Access Road Project which included: Ross Sasamura (Honolulu Dept. of Facility Management), Mary Pat Waterhouse and Dean Sakamoto (SHADE). The group has been meeting for the past few years to seek planning, engineering and construction funding to connect the Waipahu Aloha Clubhouse to Farrington Highway along Waipahu High School. The group is hopeful that funding can be secured to finally address the problem of pedestrian access for the Clubhouse.



Leeward Community College has a new Chancellor



Last week, a reception to meet with community and elected officials was held by the new Chancellor of Leeward Community College, Mr. Carlos Penaloza. Mr. Penaloza introduced himself and gave attendees some background on himself, as well as his vision for the Leeward Community College for the future. We are excited to see where his leadership will take the campus.

Upcoming Coffee Hours

Please refer to the Voice section in the Midweek for the upcoming time and date of the next coffee hour in the community.
Mahalo