# Hawaii State Senator Bennette E. Misalucha

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# Report to the 'Aiea Neighborhood Board No. 20

### August 2021

Dear Neighbor,

July was an extremely eventful month, which also marked my first year of serving you and our district. From July 6-8, 2021, a special session took place to override certain bills that the Governor vetoed. The second special session convened only the Senate to advise and consent on two of the Governor's judicial nominees: Lesley Maloian to the District Family Court of the First Circuit and Dan Gluck to the Intermediate Court of Appeals. Due to Daniel Gluck's failed confirmation, the Governor has selected Sonja McCullen as his next nominee to the ICA, which we will take up later this month.

As a member of the Senate Ways and Means Committee, we travel to Kauai for a site visit of government facilities and schools and meet with economic and business groups to discuss the Garden Island's economy. This trip which was similar to the Hawai'i Island site visit in June, which will help us to determine priorities in next year's budget.

Back home in 'Aiea, we held the inaugural "Community Day In Our Schools— A Day of Service" project on Saturday, July 31, 2021. This initiative was designed to beautify school campuses throughout Senate District 16 and cultivate a culture of service in the community. Mahalo to all of the volunteers who made this event possible. See more in this report on page 3.

I hope you will find the rest of our monthly report resourceful. As always, please let me know if there are any issues you see facing our community that I can help to address. Mahalo for the opportunity to serve you.

Very Truly Yours,

Bennette & Minlerk

Senator Bennette É. Misalucha Senate District 16

#### **Calendar of Events**

#### <u>August 2021</u>

- 16 'Aiea Community Association Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 20 Hawai'i Statehood Holiday

#### September 2021

- 6 Labor Day Holiday
- 13 'Aiea Neighborhood Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 20 'Aiea Community Association Meeting, 7:00 pm

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# CAPITOL UPDATES

#### **Governor David Ige Announced Statewide Indoor & Outdoor Gathering Limits**



As new Covid-19 cases continue to surge in triple digit numbers and the impact they have on the healthcare system, Governor David Ige in a press conference on August 10th announced that effective immediately, there will be statewide limits for social gatherings, restaurants, bars, and social establishments. "The Delta variant of the SARS-CoV-2 virus has changed the course of the pandemic in Hawai'i. We are seeing case numbers in the 600s – the highest numbers we've seen since this pandemic began," said Gov. Ige. "This requires immediate and serious attention to avert unmanageable strains on our healthcare system and other catastrophic impacts to the state."

### INDOOR & OUTDOOR GATHERINGS

- Social gatherings <u>indoors</u> are limited to no more than 10 people.
- Social gatherings <u>outdoors</u> limited to no more than 25 people.



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# **HIGH RISK ACTIVITIES**

High Risk Activities (bars, restaurants, gyms, etc.) are allowed up to 50%
capacity. Patrons must be seated and maintain social distance (six feet). No mingling will be allowed and masks
must be worn.



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# CAPITOL UPDATES

### **CDC Eviction Order**

For those who rent or are landlords, the new CDC eviction moratorium applies to all counties across the state of Hawai'i. Visit https://homelessness.hawaii.gov/.



IN EFFECT UNTIL OCTOBER 3, 2021

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# **CDC EVICTION ORDER**

- The CDC Eviction Moratorium applies to almost all of the counties in Hawai'i (except for Kalawao County).
- It only applies to "covered persons." To be eligible, tenants/renters must attest that they have used best efforts to obtain all available governmental assistance for housing, and they must have made not more than \$99,000 as an individual, not more than \$198,000 as a joint filer, or are not required to report any income.
- Renters should fill out <u>the CDC declaration form</u> to see if they qualify. If a renter qualifies, they must provide the completed and signed CDC declaration form to their landlord or landlord's representative. <u>Renters who don't will not be protected from</u> eviction.
- The temporary eviction ban will continue until a county no longer has substantial or high levels of community transmission for 14 consecutive days or on Oct. 3, whichever comes earlier.

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**RESPOND** to eviction letters and eviction notices

**APPLY** for rental assistance as soon as possible



**CALL** to understand your legal rights under the landlord/tenant code

#### For more information:

http://homelessness.hawaii.gov/evictionmoratorium-resources/

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# COMMUNITY UPDATES

#### **Community Day In Our Schools - A Day of Service**

On Saturday, July 31, 2021, the inaugural Community Day in Our Schools - A Day of Service event was held throughout seven public schools in Senate District 16. In total, there were 140 volunteers, 14 organizations, and 560 volunteer hours dedicated to beautifying the schools including three 'Aiea campuses.





Pearlridge Elementary School

'Aiea Elementary School



'Aiea High School

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### Community Day In Our Schools - A Day of Service

# MAHALO

A BIG mahalo to our amazing team leaders below for each of their support in planning, getting resources and taking care of volunteers:

- 'Aiea Elementary: Chris Kinimaka
- 'Aiea High: Brent Toyama and Wayne Suzuki
- Highlands Intermediate: Ryden Iwamoto
- Lehua Elementary: Pastor Camille Omo
- Pearlridge Elementary: Nancy Hsu
- Pearl City High School: Bennette Misalucha and Maureen Swanson
- Waiau Elementary: Kelly McDonald
- Participating community groups:
- Hawai'i State Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS)
- 'Aiea High School Parent Teacher Student Organization
- Oahu County Democrats Region 5
- The Pigeon Project
- Boy Scouts Troop 75
- Pearlside Church
- Mana Loa Nimitz Lions Club
- Church of Jesus Christ of LDS, Newtown
- Rotary Club of Hickam-Pearl Harbor
- Rotary Club of Pearlridge
- Rotary Club of Kaimuki-Diamond Head
- USAF 735 AMS
- United States Navy
- Stadium Authority
- Hawai'i Air National Guard

#### **Alvah Scott Elementary Students Shine On**

A group of Alvah Scott Elementary students are still glowing after being recognized for their winning entry in this year's 'Ōlelo Youth Xchange Competition. The video entry type was a mini documentary called, "Covid -19 - a 6th Grader's Point of View" and it was produced and written by Nicole Padron-Gaddis. The other students helped out in acting and editing.

Congratulations to teacher Vicki Minello and students Nicole Padron-Gaddis, Jayla Iwanaga, Ava Gomes, and Maria Janikah Acosta



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