Hawaii State Senator Bennette E. Misalucha

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Report to the Pearl City Neighborhood Board

September 2021

Dear Neighbor,

Over these past several weeks, we have been faced with a crisis in our healthcare systems statewide. We need to do all we can to reduce the spread in our communities, so I urge you and our fellow neighbors to get vaccinated and keep up to date with all that is being done within our state related to COVID-19.

A few weeks ago, I participated in a site visit to the newly retrofitted Clarence T.C. Ching Athletic Field at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. We met with the UH Athletics Director David Matlin and toured the new facility. For more information, please see page 4 of this report.

On Saturday, September 11, our office coordinated the inaugural "Senate District 16 Virtual Gratitude Prayer Rally" to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. We brought together various houses of worship and interfaith organizations from our community to offer a prayer or message of unity and hope. Mahalo to all those who participated or watched our event. For more information, see page 5 of this report.

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,

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Senator Bennette E. Misalucha Senate District 16



September 2021

- 6 Labor Day Holiday
- 11 SD16 Virtual Gratitude Prayer Rally, 10:00 am
- 28 Pearl City Neighborhood Board Meeting, 7:00 pm

October 2021

- 11 Discoverer's Day Holiday
- 26 Pearl City Neighborhood Board Meeting, 7:00 pm

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Governor David Ige Announces Hawaii SMART Health Card



In his September 8, 2021 press conference, Governor David Ige and Doug Murdock, Chief Information Officer of the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, unveiled the state's Hawaii SMART Health Card, a voluntary program designed in light of efforts to stop the rising new COVID-19 cases. "Participation in the SMART Health Card program is purely voluntary, but it aims to make it easier and more convenient for patrons to present proof of vaccination at restaurants, gyms, other businesses and establishments that require it," said Governor Ige. See more information at <u>https://governor.hawaii.gov/newsroom/office-of-the-governor-news-releasestate-launches-hawaii-smart-health-card-for-digital-vaccination-verification/</u>

How the Hawaii SMART Health Card Works

- 1. Go to the Hawaii Safe Travels Digital Platform, <u>https://travel.hawaii.gov</u>.
- 2. Create an account or use your existing account.
- 3. Click on the SMART Health Card logo.
- 4. Take a picture of your vaccination card and upload it.
- 5. Enter your vaccination information.
- 6. If you are a parent or guardian and have COVID-19 vaccination records for minors, upload each digital vaccine record request separately.
- 7. Once validated by the system, you will receive a QR code that you may present to business and establishments that require proof of vaccination status.
- 8. Your QR Code will be available for display in the Hawaili SMART Health Card section of the Safe Travels platform.
- 9. Businesses and establishments may use a SMART Health Card verifier app to verify status. (The app can be downloaded to any Apple device — iPhone or iPad — or to an Android device to scan the QR code. For the app go to <u>https://thecommonsproject.org/smart-healthcard-verifier</u>).

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The Hawaii SMART Health Card app can be downloaded to any Apple device — iPhone or iPad — or to an Android device to scan the QR code.

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Safe-Access Oahu Program

Honolulu City & County Mayor Rick Blangiardi announced the "Safe Access Oahu Program" effective Sept. 13, 2021. It requires all employees, contractors, and volunteers of businesses, such as restaurants, bars, gyms, movie theaters, museums, arcades and other similar establishments, to show proof of full vaccination against COVID-19 or a negative COVID-19 test result each week in order to operate. See more at https:// www.oneoahu.org/safe-access-oahu.

SAFE-ACCESS O'AHU PROGRAM

ACCEPTABLE PROOF OF VACCINATION

- A hard copy of a state-approved vaccination card
- A photocopy/digital copy of a state approved vaccination card
- A Hawai'i State-approved digital/smart device application confirming full vaccination status (i.e. QR code from Safe Travels, Smart Health Card, Clear, etc.)



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Senators Participate in Site Visit to

The Clarence T.C. Ching Athletic Complex

On August 31, 2021, Senator Misalucha participated in a site visit at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Clarence T. C. Ching Athletic Complex. Members of the Senate Committee on Higher Education and Committee on Ways and Means were given the opportunity to tour the revamped facilities, bleachers, and field that is already being utilized by our UH Warrior football players. Due to Mayor Blangiardi's COVID-19 emergency mandate, there will be no UH sport spectators allowed at any games.



Sen. Misalucha with her Senate colleagues in the sky box suites overlooking the 50-yard line at the T. C. Ching Athletic Complex.



L to R: Senate Ways & Means Chair Sen. Dela Cruz, Sen. Kidani, Sen. Kim, and Sen. Misalucha.

See more images at https://www.flickr.com/photos/191637168@N05/ sets/72157719814744975

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Virtual Gratitude Prayer Rally on 9/11

What a blessing to have many constituents and non-constituents join the inaugural District 16 Virtual Gratitude Prayer Rally on Saturday, September 11 to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. September 11 is also designated as National Day of Service and Remembrance. The interfaith, multi-denominational event included a gathering of faith based organizations and various houses of worship from Senate District 16, including 'Aiea Hongwanji, Tenrikyo Koshinokuni Hawaii Church, St. Timothy Church, St. Elizabeth Church, Our Savior Lutheran, Pearlside Church, Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Iglesia ni Christo (Church of Christ), and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Newtown Ward. Key participants delivered a message, a meditation or prayer during the event along with interludes that included performances by Mrs. Hawai'i USA 2021 Lei Llanos, Honolulu Symphony violinist Daniel Padilla, Broadway star Kristian Lei and an ensemble from Pearl City High School.





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9/11 Virtual Gratitude Prayer Rally

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A BIG mahalo to participants of this inaugural Virtual Gratitude Prayer Rally on September 11 when we all paused to reflect spiritually on the 20th anniversary of the terrorist attacks. Your individual messages of words of hope, music and dance are greatly appreciated.

- Pastor Winston Lum Hawaiian Pentecostal Full Gospel Assembly
- Most Reverend Larry Silva Catholic Diocese of Honolulu
- Reverend Kosho Yagi Aiea Hongwanji Mission
- Father Arnold Ortiz St. Elizabeth Catholic Church
- Father Dan Leatherman St. Timothy Episcopal Church
- Bishop Shugo Yamanaka Tenrikyo Koshinokun Hawaii Church
- Vicar Clarence DeLude Our Savior Lutheran Church
- Minister Edward Maranan Iglesia di Cristo Church
- Pastor Camille Omo Pearlside Church
- Father Santhosh Thottankara and Faculty/Students Our Lady of Good Counsel
- Bishop Travis Taa The Church of Latter Day Saints Newtown Ward
- Diamond Sage
- Daniel Padilla
- Lei Llanos Mrs. Hawai'i USA 2021
- Kristian Lei
- Pearl City High Ensemble
- Chadwick Kamei
- Steven Richter
- Annalisa Burgos KITV 4 News

Congratulations Honolulu Little League! Third Place in Little League Baseball World Series Championship & Team Sportsmanship Award!

