

Aloha Friends,

Thank you for honoring me with the privilege of serving as your Senator in the Hawaii State Legislature. I am deeply humbled by your continued support and will do my best to maintain the trust you have invested in me as a representative of our community.

The 2010 General election initiated a great deal of change in our government and, as the newly selected Senate President, I look forward to working alongside my colleagues and the new administration to steer our state toward positive growth and change.

Although my responsibilities in the Senate now encompass a broader scope, Maui and my constituency remains my utmost priority. As we move into the 2011 legislative session, I remain committed to tackling current issues facing our communities and am hopeful that, by working together, we can make Hawaii a better place to live and work for our residents.

Once again, thank you for your continued confidence and support. Wishing you and your family a safe and happy holiday season.

Mahalo,

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Shan S. Tsutsui

Hawaii State Senate Reorganizes

On November 4th, 2010, Senator Shan Tsutsui was chosen by his colleagues to preside over the 26th legislature as the 12th Senate President. Previously the Vice-Chair of Ways and Means and Majority Caucus Leader, Senator Tsutsui is the first Senate President to be elected from Maui as well as the youngest. "I am deeply humbled to have been selected for this honor" Said Senator Tsutsui. "I look forward to working with Senators English and Baker as well as our counterparts in the House to move Maui forward in the years to come."

In addition, Senator J. Kalani English will continue as chair of the Transportation, Intergovernmental and International Affairs Committee and Senator Roz Baker as chair of the Commerce and Consumer Protection Committee. With all three of Maui's Senators maintaining leadership roles, there is no doubt our community will be well represented this upcoming session. In the House, Senator Tsutsui is pleased to once again be working with Representatives McKelvey, Keith-Agaran, Souki, Yamashita and Carroll as well as the newly elected Representative from Kihei, George Fontaine.



Senator Tsutsui with fellow Maui Legislators Senator Roz Baker and Senator J. Kalani English in 2007

2010 Secondary Student Conference

Every year students from high schools across the state come together at the State Capitol for the annual Secondary Student Conference (SCC). The purpose of the SCC is "to provide high school students an opportunity to identify, discuss and arrive at recommended solutions to major youth problems, with emphasis on school problems that require the attention and joint action by the students, the Department of Education and the Hawaii State Legislature."

From November 30th to December 2^{nd,} student delegates from Oahu, Maui, Kauai and Hawaii Counties spent time discussing school issues, collaborating over resolutions and role playing legislative hearings and floor sessions. Time was also allotted for students to meet with their respective legislators and listen to guest speakers discuss issues pertinent to the State of Hawaii both current and future.

On November 30th Senator Tsutsui delivered the program's opening remarks and on the following day met with Maui County delegates to discuss concerns specific to Maui County. "I was very impressed with their shared sense of civic responsibility" said Senator Tsutsui "gaining the perspectives of our Maui delegates was especially refreshing and I appreciate the time they took to share their concerns with me."



Senator Tsutsui with Maui SCC Delegates

Aloha Aina Earth Day Coming to Maui in January

On January 15th 2010, Senator Tsutsui will be teaming up with the County of Maui, Baldwin High School and Schnitzer Steel to host the first annual Aloha Aina Earth Day Maui. A regular event on Oahu, Aloha Aina Earth Day was created in 2004 to reduce waste, promote recycling and raise funds for schools and community organizations.

Items accepted include scrap metals, auto parts, appliances, lawn mowers, pipes, bicycles, beams, newspaper, cardboard, telephone books, magazines, HI-5 — beverage containers, plastic bags and hangers, green waste, batteries, cellular phones, printer cartridges, one computer per car, cooking oil, eyeglasses, hearing aids, reusable household items and clothing. Items not accepted include tires, TVs, microwave ovens, motor oil, paint, hazardous fluids and gas tanks.

The event will be held at Baldwin High School (1660 Kaahumanu Ave.) from 8am-2pm. For free curbside pickup, car removal or bin for scrap metal, please contact Senator Tsutsui's office at (808)-586-6894.



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