

JANUARY 2023

# SENATOR GLENN WAKAI

Kalihi, Mapunapuna, Airport, Salt Lake, Aliamanu, Foster Village, Hickam, Pearl Harbor, and portions of Aiea and Pearl City



## *Red Hill Town Hall Meeting Turns Red Hot*

Community outrage was directed towards Navy officials at a Town Hall meeting on December 12, 2022. Environmentalists, Hawaiian activists, and military families affected by poisoned water berated panelists for their mishandling of the Red Hill fuel leaks, the defueling process, reluctance to share information, and a lack of health care follow up.

Navy officers assured the audience that they are dedicated to defueling the 80 year-old tanks and taking care of those who have been harmed. They promised more community engagement and better transparency.

There are two more town hall meetings scheduled on January 18 from 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and January 19 from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Oahu Veterans Center – Ballard Hall.



*More than a hundred residents filled the Moanalua Middle School Cafeteria to get an update on Red Hill.*

## *Legislators Focus on Radford High School*



*Reps. Linda Ichiyama and Micah Aiu tour the Radford campus with Principal James Sunday and Sen. Wakai.*

Radford High School hosted two Representatives on campus on November 21, 2022. With the retirement of Aaron Johanson, Senator Wakai organized a tour of the campus and a meeting with school administrators. Representatives Ichiyama and Aui were given a historical overview of past successes and opportunities ahead. They were provided a tutorial on the school's unique student body and facility challenges.

## *Branching Out to Salt Lake Elementary*



*Daniel Dinell, President of "Trees for Honolulu's Future," presents certificates to talented 7 year olds at Salt Lake Elementary School.*

Three second graders at Salt Lake Elementary were recognized for conveying their understanding of the benefits of trees, through art. Hannah, Jazireigh, and Heidi were presented with certificates from Trees for Honolulu's Future. The organization, which promotes the planting of trees, held an island-wide art contest in 2022.