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Commissioners, Aloha,

The future of Hawaii's democratic character can be assured by your recommending these 5 reforms:

- 1- Full public funding of all State and County elections,
- 2- Limit accumulation of campaign "war chests," whereby repeat candidates can circumvent legal limits on donations,
- 3- Reduce caps on campaign contributions from \$6K, 4K and 2K to \$100 per race (office) per year, without the current hierarchy based on the office to which a candidate aspires,
- 4- Ban solicitation and acceptance of campaign donations during the legislative session, and
- 5- To increase candidate "buy-in" to the public funding of all State and County elections, ban contributions from corporations and unions. Special interest money corrupts.

Models exist in three states, Maine, Arizona and Connecticut, each with its own funding design.

Mahalo for your work, for accepting this critically important charge from the Legislature.

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