

# Hawaii State Senator Bennette E. Misalucha

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# Report to the Aiea Neighborhood Board No. 20 August 2022

Dear Neighbor,

The Hawaii Department of Health and Environmental Protection Agency are reviewing the Board of Water Supply's latest findings after they were informed this week that BWS detected petroleum contamination in a groundwater monitoring well located in Moanalua Valley. Please see my report for more details.

Last month, we had a successful Aiea Complex School Supply Drive in honor of the late Sen. Breene Harimoto on July 16, 2022. Mahalo to our Committee Chair Nancy Hsu and all of our volunteers for all of your hard work, which has served to benefit many of our students throughout the Aiea community.

I also want to say mahalo to the more than 100 volunteers who helped to beautify many of our public school campuses during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Day In Our Schools event on July 23, 2022. Our students, teachers and staff are enjoying their clean and spruced up school grounds now that classes officially started on August 1, 2022.

During the interim, I hope you will keep in touch and please share any ideas with me on how we can make our community better. As always, if there is any way I can assist you with any concerns, please let me know at (808) 586-6230 or email me at senmisalucha@capitol.hawaii.gov.

At Your Service,

Senator Bennette E. Misalucha Senate District 16

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### Calendar of Events

#### August 2022

- 13 Primary Election
- 19 Statehood Day Holiday
- 15 Aiea Community Association Meeting, 7:00pm

#### September 2022

- 5 Labor Day Holiday
- 12 Aiea Neighborhood Board Meeting, 7:00pm
- 19 Aiea Community Association Meeting, 7:00pm

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#### STATE & CAPITOL UPDATES

## **Red Hill Fuel Tank Leak Updates**

The Hawaii Department of Health and Environmental Protection Agency are reviewing the Board of Water Supply's latest findings after they were informed this week that BWS detected petroleum contamination in a groundwater monitoring well located in Moanalua Valley. BWS says the source of the fuel contamination comes from the Navy Red Hill facility which is traveling though Oahu's sole-source aquifer. Both agencies plan to take additional testing samples and "agree that at the very low levels detected, it is not expected to cause any health effects; however, while not a current health emergency, it needs attention and continued monitoring." See BWS: <a href="https://www.boardofwatersupply.com/news-events/news-releases/2022/petroleum-contamination-detected-in-monitor-well">https://www.boardofwatersupply.com/news-events/news-releases/2022/petroleum-contamination-detected-in-monitor-well</a>

On July 19, 2022, Senator Misalucha participated in a joint informational briefing where the U.S. Navy provided an update on its Red Hill defueling plan and investigative report into the Red Hill fuel leak. See Hawaii State Senate YouTube to watch at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-r5pumd">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-r5pumd</a> C9k



L to R: Sens. Misalucha, Kim, and Keohokalole with House Representatives at an informational briefing on the Red Hill Fuel Tank updates, July 19, 2022.

#### **COMMUNITY UPDATES**

# **Aiea Complex School Supply Drive**

On Saturday, July 16, 2022, Senator Misalucha helped out at the 3rd Annual Aiea Complex School Supply Drive held at Our Savior Lutheran School. Mahalo to Committee Chair Nancy Hsu for leading the effort again this year and to all those who came out to make the drive another success.





L to R: Aiea Complex School Supply Drive at Our Savior Lutheran School, July 16, 2022. Sen. Misalucha with Principal David Tanuvasa of Aiea High and staff to pick up donated school supplies from event organizer Nancy Hsu and Wayne Suzuki, July 20, 2022. See more pictures at <a href="https://flic.kr/s/aHBqizZCLf">https://flic.kr/s/aHBqizZCLf</a>

# **Community Day In Our Schools**

On Saturday, July 23, 2022, Senator Misalucha coordinated and participated in the 2nd Annual Community Day in Our Schools throughout the district. Over 100 volunteers from various community organizations helped to beautify various public school campuses throughout Aiea and Pearl City before the start of the new academic school year. Mahalo to all our volunteers who made this event possible and another success!





L to R: Volunteers from Boy Scouts Troop 75 painting at Aiea Intermediate School and Chris Kinimaka of DAGS with fellow volunteer landscaping at Gus Webling Elementary, July 23, 2022.

See more photos at <a href="https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjzZGZ8">https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjzZGZ8</a>