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"Mele Kalikimaka" a "Hau'oli Makahiki Hou"

At the beginning of 2023, reapportionment changed the City Council's district boundaries so we welcomed new neighbors into Council District 7. During the past year, I have enjoyed meeting my new constituency and making new friends, forming new community partnerships, conducting cleanups, attending community events, and more.

I shared highlights of these activities and events in the 2023 Community Wrap-up newsletter that was mailed at the end of November. If you did not receive it, please contact my office to request a hard copy. Additionally, you may view all my community correspondences, such as newsletters and monthly reports to neighborhood boards, online at http://www4.honolulu.gov/docushare/dsweb/View/Collection-8793.

I am truly grateful to be serving as your Honolulu City Councilmember and look forward to working with you to better our community. Sending best wishes to you and your 'ohana for a wonderful holiday season and a happy and prosperous 2024!

'AIEA CHRISTMAS PARADE



Councilmember Cordero, District 7 staff, and volunteers attended the 'Aiea Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 9, 2023. Mahalo to everyone who came to watch the parade and especially to the 'Aiea Community Association for coordinating this beloved and well-attended annual event.

WINTEHN PARK CONFIRMED AS DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF COUNCIL SERVICES



Honolulu attorney and longtime legislative veteran Wintehn Park has been confirmed as the new director of the Office of Council Services (OCS) with a unanimous vote from the Honolulu City Council at its Full Council Meeting on December 6, 2023, and resounding support from community members during testimony. OCS consults with the Council to research and draft City legislation and provides legal representation for the Council.

Park is a Kamehameha Schools graduate who received his bachelor's degree from Pitzer College, and his law degree from William S. Richardson School of Law at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. He began his legal career at the law firm of Kobayashi, Sugita and Goda, and later was a partner at the law firm Kondo, Murakami and Park. Park began his career in government work at the State Office of Information Practices as a staff attorney responsible for cases regarding the Uniform Information Practices Act and the State Sunshine Law. After a period consulting residential developers, Park returned to government work as an attorney at the Hawai'i State Senate's Majority Research Office where his responsibilities were to provide legal and drafting services to various Senate committees. In 2008 Park was named Special Counsel for the Senate, working on special projects and general legal services for the Senate President, Senate Majority Attorney and Chief Clerk.

Park was named Legal Counsel for U.S. Congresswoman Colleen Hanabusa in 2010, and in 2014 returned to the Senate as Majority Attorney. In 2019, Park became Interim Director of the Senate Majority Research Office where he was responsible for the Senate's primary research and drafting agency. In 2023, the Office processed over 1,600 bills and 3,017 requests for services.

"As a lifelong resident, I am grateful for the opportunity to continue my government service and to serve the people of Honolulu in this new capacity as Director of OCS," said Park. "I look forward to working with the City Council to support the implementation of policies that effectively address community concerns, and enhance services throughout all of our communities on O'ahu."