

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL CHAIRMAN IKAIKA ANDERSON ENDORSES KAI KAHELE FOR CONGRESS

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[HONOLULU] – Today, Honolulu City Council Chairman Ikaika Anderson announced his endorsement of Senator Kai Kahele's campaign for the United States Congress.

"I am proud to endorse Kai Kahele for Congress," Anderson said. "As a member of the Honolulu City Council, I see the challenges that our neighbors face at a grassroots level every single day. We need a Member of Congress who will stay fully engaged with our communities so that he or she can best represent us in Washington, D.C. I know Kai Kahele is that person because that is the type of public servant he has proven himself to be. I trust his leadership, I trust his judgment, I trust his values and I trust his commitment to the people of Hawai'i."

Anderson represents Windward Oahu in Council District 3, which encompasses Waimanalo, Kailua, Kāne'ohe and Ahuimanu and serves as the Chairman and Presiding Officer of the Honolulu City Council.

"I am thankful for Council Chairman Anderson's endorsement of my campaign for the United States Congress," said Kahele. "Chairman Anderson has deep roots and an even deeper understanding of the issues facing the residents of Windward Oahu. I look forward to working with him in the coming months and meeting with as many people as possible in their neighborhoods and homes, face to face, because staying connected with the people who place their faith and confidence in me is a responsibility I take very seriously."

Kahele serves as Majority Floor Leader and Chairman of the Committee on Water & Land in the Hawai'i State Senate where he represents his hometown of Hilo. He is also an 18-year combat veteran aviator and currently serves as a Major in the Hawai'i Air National Guard.

Former Hawai'i Governors John Waihe'e, Ben Cayetano and Neil Abercrombie have also formally endorsed State Senator Kai Kahele to represent Hawai'i's 2nd Congressional District in the United States House of Representatives.

The 2nd Congressional District encompasses Hawai'i Island, Maui, Moloka'i, Lāna'i, Kaua'i, Ni'ihau and the rural parts of O'ahu, including Waimanalo, Kailua, Kāne'ohe, the North Shore, and the Leeward coast.