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U.S. House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer and Brady PAC Endorse Kai Kahele for Congressional District 2

[HONOLULU] – State Senator Kaiiali'i Kahele received the endorsements of U.S. House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer and the Brady PAC in his bid for Hawai'i's Congressional District 2.

Steny H. Hoyer, Majority Leader, U.S. House of Representatives

"I am proud to endorse Kai Kahele for Hawai'i's 2nd Congressional District and look forward to serving with him in the United States House of Representatives," said Majority Leader Steny H. Hoyer. "Kai has an impressive record of service and he will continue to fight for all Hawai'i residents. He is a strong leader who will bring innovative and creative approaches to solving our nation's problems and will work to bring stability back to our country."

Brady PAC

"Kai Kahele supports responsible gun ownership and denounces gun violence," said Brian Lemek, executive director of Brady PAC. "We know Kai will be a champion for universal background checks, as well as a ban on the commercial sale of military-style assault weapons because Kai recognizes those as common sense solutions to this uniquely American problem. We are proud to endorse his campaign for HI-02 and know that the people of Hawai'i and all Americans will be safer with him in Congress."

Brady PAC backs candidates running for state and federal office who support universal background checks, reenacting the assault weapons ban, extreme risk protection orders, and enacting other common-sense gun violence prevention laws that will make our homes, schools, and communities safer.

Prior Endorsements

Unions and organizations that have endorsed Kahele include: ILWU, Local 142; HGEA AFSCME, Local 152, AFL-CIO; Iron Workers, Local 625; Hawaii Masons Union, Local 1; Hawaiian Airlines Master Executive Council of the Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA); Association of Flight Attendants-CWA; United Food & Commercial Workers Local 480; Plumbers & Fitters UA Local 675; Hawaii Teamsters & Allied Workers Local 996; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1186; Hawaii State AFL-CIO; Daily Kos; Serve America; New Politics; Emgage PAC; Asian Americans & Pacific Islanders Rising & Empowering PAC; Progressive Caucus; Congressional Black Caucus; Planned Parenthood Action Fund; VoteVets; Demand Universal Healthcare; the Human Rights Campaign; Friends of Intelligent Democracy; People for the American Way; Progressive Change Campaign Committee; and the League of Conservation Voters Action Fund.

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Kahele currently serves as Majority Floor Leader and Chairman of the Committee on Water and Land in the Hawai'i State Senate, where he represents his hometown of Hilo. He announced his candidacy on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, January 22, 2019 at the historic Mo'ohau Bandstand in downtown Hilo. The 2nd Congressional District encompasses Hawai'i Island, Maui, Kaho'olawe, Moloka'i, Lāna'i, Kaua'i, Ni'ihau and the rural parts of O'ahu, including Waimānalo, Kailua, Kāne'ōhe, the North Shore, and the Leeward coast.

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Kai Kahele serves as a Lt. Col. in the Hawai'i Air National Guard, United States Air Force. Use of his military rank, job titles, or photographs in uniform does not imply endorsement by the Hawai'i Air National Guard, United States Air Force or the Department of Defense.

Paid for by Kahele for Congress