



MEDIA ALERT

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Quentin Kawananakoa to Announce Candidacy for Public Office

WHO: Former State Representative and Lanikai resident Quentin Kawananakoa

WHAT: Press conference to announce candidacy for public office

WHERE: Enchanted Lake Elementary School, 770 Keolu Drive, Kailua

WHEN: Friday, June 6, 2008 at 11:30 am; Announcement promptly at 12 noon

WHY: There are several political contests this year in Kawananakoa's Lanikai-Waimanalo district including City Council, State House, Honolulu City and County Mayor and the Federal Second Congressional District. Kawananakoa wishes to serve Hawaii and her people through public office and will announce which race offers the greatest opportunity for him to do so.

"I have been very blessed in my life and I have a sincere desire to give back to our community," Kawananakoa said.

HOW: Media planning to attend the press conference should be in place by 11:30 a.m. for the 12 noon announcement. Contact Janet Scheffer at 521-1160 (office), 285-7712 (cell) or Lindsey Bashelor at 285-4084 for more information.

About Quentin: Kawananakoa served in the State House from 1994-1998 where he was the Minority Leader and led the fight to stop the biggest tax increase proposed in the State of Hawai'i.

From 2002 to 2006, he served on the Hawaiian Homes Commission. During his four-year term Kawananakoa dedicated his efforts and time to help the Department succeed in its mission of providing affordable housing to native Hawaiians.

In 2006, Kawananakoa ran for the United States House of Representatives and lost his bid by just 89 votes. Currently, he serves as a Commissioner on the Honolulu Fire Commission.