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Contest

Mayor - Kaua'i

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Senate District

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House District

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District

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Residency area

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District

Page 8: Economic Stability & Kūpuna

Q8
Creation of a statewide Paid Family Leave Social Insurance Program, to allow up to 12 weeks of paid leave for employees to provide care for a newborn, bond with a new child, or care for a family member with a serious health condition.

Position **Strongly Support**

Q9
Allocating funds and other resources to improve access to, quality of, and coverage for home-and-community-based services that support aging in place among older adults.

Position **Strongly Support**

Q10
Allocating funds and other resources to bolster the capacity of kūpuna-serving programs/organizations by increasing workforce training, education, certification, and career development opportunities.

Position **Strongly Support**

Q11
Providing/increasing tax credits for out-of-pocket caring costs for unpaid family caregivers of kūpuna and/or those with disabilities.

Position **Strongly Support**

Q12
Additional thoughts/comments:

The cultural significance and wisdom of our Kupuna is the vibration of this island that brings us in balance with Spirit, Nature, and the `Aina.

Page 9: Tobacco Regulations

Q13

Regulating e-cigarettes in the same manner as how the State regulates other tobacco products, through tax parity, licensing and permitting requirements, and restricting online sales to licensed sellers only, and not directly to consumers.

Position: **Support**

Q14

Ending, without exception, the sale of all tobacco products, such as cigarettes, cigars and e-cigarettes, that contain a characterizing flavor, such as menthol, fruit flavors, and candy flavors.

Position: **Support**

Q15

Authorizing counties to enact stricter restrictions on the sale of and access to tobacco products than what is provided at the state level.

Position: **Support**

Q16 **Respondent skipped this question**

Additional thoughts/comments

Page 10: Healthy Eating and Active Living

Q17

Setting Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program benchmarks and decreasing barriers to SRTS programming through the creation of an SRTS Advisory Council within the Department of Transportation.

Position: **Support**

Q18

Enacting a 2 cent-per-ounce fee on sugar-sweetened beverages and using the revenue for community-driven health initiatives.

Position: **Support**

Q19

Ensuring that every student in Hawai'i at every grade level (PreK-12) has regular access to comprehensive agricultural and nutrition education programs linked to core curriculum (e.g. science, math, language arts).

Position: **Support**

Q20

Increasing state investment for implementation of the Hawai'i Farm to School Program (Act 175, 2021), including meeting the goal of 30% local school food within the Hawai'i Department of Education by 2030.

Position: **Support**

Q21

Additional thoughts/comments:

As Mayor, I support programs that provide safety and core training of subjects that serve them in life, in a positive way under Local Control without the interference of global governance or ICLEI and controlled by the people of the island in Kauai County

Page 11: Oral Health

Q22

Investing in dental workforce education programs on Neighbor Islands.

Position: **Oppose**

Q23

Allocating funds to the Department of Health to restore an Oral Health Division.

Position: **Oppose**

Q24

Expanding student loan forgiveness for dentists that provide care to Medicaid patients.

Position: **Oppose**

Q25

Additional thoughts/comments

On Kauai, we have all the Natural medicines, resources, and talents to maintain health and dental programs for sustainable health of our county and people under local sustainability health programs put in place by the people of our island without creating additional government programs under a global or state initiative .

Page 12: Community Health Workforce Development

Q26

Establishing a certification process for Community Health Workers.

Position: **Oppose**

Q27

Establishing a licensing process for Community Health Workers.

Position: **Oppose**

Q28

Incorporating Community Health Workers as a profession into Medicaid services and contracts with the State of Hawai'i.

Position: **Oppose**

Q29

Additional thoughts/comments

I am in favor of education for community health workers under the island of Kauai's locally controlled sustainability programs without creating contracts or more red tape with state or global governance programs not in alignment with controlling our own destiny as an island and a people.

Page 13: Alcohol & Cannabis Regulations

Q30

Lowering the blood alcohol concentration (BAC) for impaired driving from .08 to .05 BAC.

Position **Oppose**

Q31

Enacting a dime-per-drink fee on alcoholic beverages and using the revenue for community-driven health initiatives.

Position **Oppose**

Q32

Housing the regulatory structure of any legalized recreational cannabis program under Department of Health, rather than other agencies, such as the Department of Taxation.

Position **Oppose**

Q33

Additional thoughts/comments

Personally, I do not support hard liquor consumption of any kind, but as Mayor I cannot infringe or usurp anyone's individual freedoms, but can put penalties in place for those who put the health, safety and welfare of the County. Cannabis is a natural plant medicine created by God. It is not an issue to be controlled by DHS or any government department. if it creates a danger to the health, safety, and welfare of the county then that would be a law enforcement issue like alcohol. I have not read or seen what type of regulatory structure or proposal in this regard therefore it is difficult for me to answer. I would take the issue to the people for their concerns. I believe in less government because Kauai is a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. We do not need state or global governance programs involved in what is best for the sovereignty of our people and county when we are properly informed of the issues that may destroy our image of the Garden Island in Paradise as self-sufficient.
