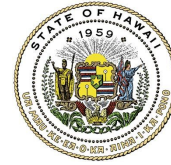




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Gene Ward



February Report

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Vice Chair, Economic Development And Business

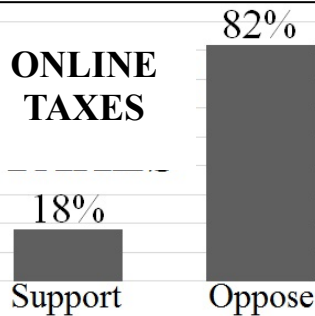
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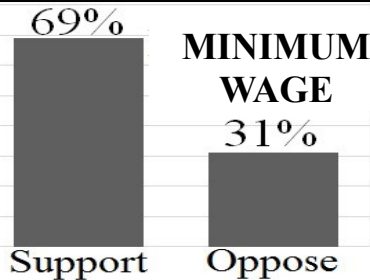
WHAT YOU TOLD US:

(Below are the results of our January 2014 survey, N=52)

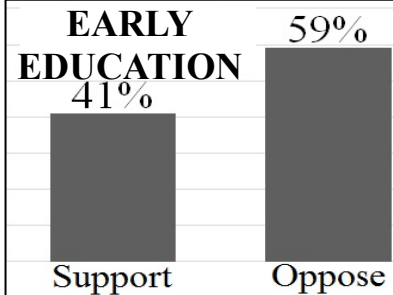
Do you support or oppose adding the GET (General Excise Tax) to personal internet purchases?



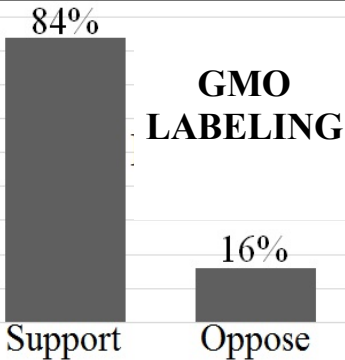
Do you support or oppose the increase of the State minimum wage to \$9.50/hr?



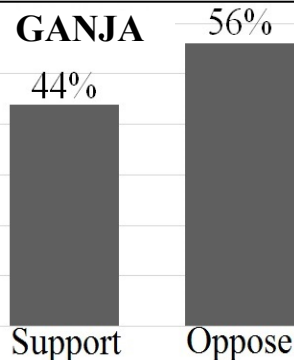
Do you support or oppose the use of public funds for private schools to participate in the Governor's early education programs?



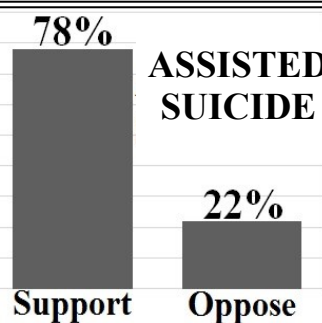
Do you support or oppose GMO (genetically modified organism) food labeling?



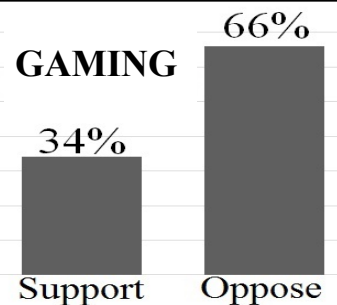
Do you support or oppose the legalization of marijuana for recreational use?



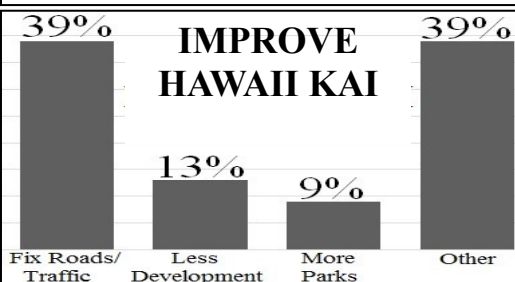
Do you support or oppose Death with Dignity/Physician Assisted Suicide?



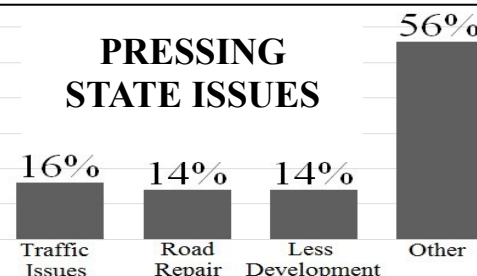
Do you support or oppose legalized gambling in Hawaii?



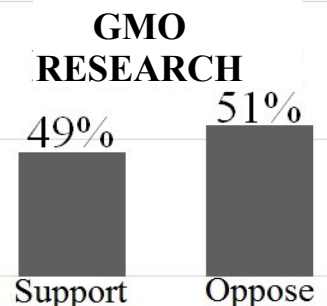
In your opinion, what three changes would most improve Hawaii Kai?



What do you feel are the three most pressing issues in Hawaii that you would like to see resolved?



Do you support or oppose restricting limited GMO product research in Hawaii?



HONORABLE PAT SAIKI

Pat Saiki started out as a Hilo-born public school teacher and ended as a United State Congresswoman. She was honored on January 30th for her 25 years of public service and her significant achievements that have made her one of our country's national treasures.



Pat Saiki, a wife and mother of five overcame many obstacles and injustices to become the first Republican Asian woman in Congress, and later head of the nation's Small Business Administration.

Ms. Saiki served in the Hawaii State House of Representatives from 1968-1974, the Hawaii State Senate from 1974-1982, and the U.S. Congress from 1986-1990.

Today, Pat continues to advocate for women, minorities and those less fortunate, taking a special interest in elder care and inspiring those she meets.

GREG KNUDSEN DISCUSSES THE SCENIC BYWAY

This month's "A Word With Ward" TV show, featured Greg Knudsen, Maunaloa-Makapu'u Scenic Byway progenitor and chairperson of the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board. Watch Greg explain the beautiful byway at:



<http://houseminority.wordpress.com/2014/02/07/a-word-with-ward-maunaloa-makapuu-scenic-byway/>

For a full view of the Scenic Byway see: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vlohNPiu8uc>.

PAVING OF KALANIANAOLE HIGHWAY COMING SOON!?

Kalaniana'ole Highway is FINALLY! in line to get repaved! The contract to repave Kal Highway from Hanauma Bay to West Hind Drive in Aina Haina has been awarded and work is slated to start "in the next several months." This is good news for motorists who have been fighting potholes for years and watching this main thoroughfare get worse as traffic gets heavier. Although there is no official start date, the DOT will alert the public via news media, message boards and social media.



KA IWI WATCH UPDATE:

- No Permits Filed -



As of February 21st, 2014, no applications have been filed for development on Ka Iwi, according to the City's Department of Planning and Permitting.

Bring your constituent concerns to a relaxed and unstructured environment! Come to a "summit" at Koko Marina Shopping Center the first Tuesday and first Thursday of every month



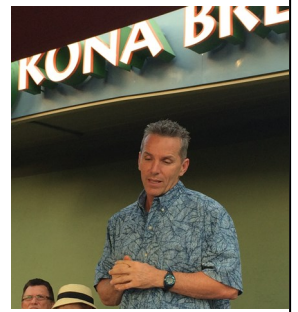
COFFEE SUMMIT - Tuesday, March 4, 2014 - 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Zippys (inside far right corner)



BEER SUMMIT - Thursday, March 6, 2014 - 5:30-7:30 p.m. - Kona Brewing Co. (outside on patio entrance)

WHAT DID FEBRUARY'S BEER SUMMIT LOOK LIKE?

At this month's Beer Summit a crowd gathered at Kona Brewing to listen to and ask questions of Rich Miano, Head Coach of the State Champion Kaiser Cougar Football Team. Rich talked about his motivating program at Kaiser, his days in the NFL, and it was easy to hear how devoted he is to Kaiser and his players. Look for the announcement of our next Beer Summit speaker.



MID-SESSION INVITATION:

Hawaii Kai
Town Hall Meeting
Talk Story about 2014 Legislation

Hear the latest from:

Senator Laura Thielen
Senator Sam Slom
Representative Gene Ward
Representative Mark Hashem

Kaiser High School Cafeteria
Wednesday, February 26, 2014
6:30pm - 8:00pm

GREAT LAWN UPDATE:

- Shopping Center still on "Hold" -



As of February 21st, 2014, KS/BE has not changed their postponement of the development of the Great Lawn.