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Aloha Neighbor,

As we head into the fall, my focus is already turning toward the 2027 Legislative Session—and making sure the priorities we bring to the Capitol reflect the needs of our community. That starts with listening. This month, I'm asking District 37 residents to complete our 2027 Pre-Session Legislative Survey and tell me what matters most to you and your family.

Whether it's the cost of living, public safety, housing, education, traffic, or another issue, your feedback helps guide the work we take on in the months ahead.

I've also continued working on issues close to home—from pressing DCR on its plans for Waiawa Correctional Facility, to supporting safer roads and neighborhoods, to spending time with our students, educators, and families. I'm especially encouraged by the opportunities being created for our keiki, including new workforce and career pathways right here in Mililani.

The best ideas don't always start at the Capitol—they start with you. I hope you'll take a few minutes to complete our survey, and as always, please reach out if my office can be of assistance.

In Service,

Trish

Representative Trish La Chica



Rep. La Chica and her family joined more than 450 participants at Move with MADD Hawai'i, honoring those impacted by impaired driving and reminding all of us to make safe choices on our roads.

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Pre-Session Survey**



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Homeschool Day at the Capitol

We had a fabulous time welcoming local homeschooling families to the Hawai'i State Capitol! Through a wonderful constituent-led effort, families came together for a special day of experiencing government firsthand. They toured the House Chambers, visited the Governor's Office, and learned more about how decisions are made at the Capitol. We loved seeing our keiki engaged, curious, and excited to learn about their role in our community!

Youth Anti-Tobacco Advocacy

I had the amazing opportunity to meet with youth from across the state from the Hawai'i Public Health Institute Youth Council to help them with their legislative ideas and priorities to fight Big Tobacco and address youth vaping. They asked a lot of tough questions, but as a supporter of their issues, I was happy to participate!



Waiawa Correctional Facility Update

I recently met with Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation leadership to discuss plans to transfer individuals with mental health needs from Hālawā to Waiawa Correctional Facility. I emphasized that adequate staffing, facility safety improvements, specialized training, and appropriate care must be in place before any transfers occur, and I will continue monitoring DCR's plans to ensure Waiawa is prepared and our community is kept informed.



Building New Workforce Pathways

We met with the DOE's Workforce Development Branch alongside our high school intern Jacob to get a briefing on their workforce development initiatives. He is focused on exploring opportunities to strengthen internship pathways and connect students with meaningful real-world experiences.

Community Updates



Waipi'o Gentry District 37 Graffiti + Trash Community Cleanup

We had an incredible day coming together to clean up and beautify Waipio Gentry! A huge mahalo to HPD District 3's Community Policing Team, Mālama O Ka 'āina (MOKA) with the City & County of Honolulu's Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM), our interns, and all of the amazing community members who took the time to come out and lend a hand. Together, we collected six bags of trash, a shopping cart, and removed graffiti throughout Waipi'o Gentry, helping create a cleaner, safer, and more welcoming space for our community to enjoy. We truly appreciate everyone who showed up, got their hands dirty, and helped make a difference in our neighborhood! 🌺 Our next cleanup is on September 26 at the Rainbow Tunnel. We hope to see you there!



Mililani High School Mid-Quarterly Lunch

Mahalo to Principal Murphy for inviting us to their Mid-Quarterly Luncheon, featuring a delicious three-course meal prepared by the MHS Culinary Club! I enjoyed sharing updates from our office and celebrating the great work of our Mililani complex area students, teachers, and staff.



Back-to-School Dance at Mililani Uka

I was so excited to bring my family to celebrate with Mililani Uka Elementary at their Back-to-School Dance! We're incredibly thankful for the school's inclusive culture that makes everyone feel welcome. Mahalo to our Uka teachers, staff, and 'ohana for such a fun evening!



Mililani Professional Dev't Day

Sept. 18 was the Mililani Complex Area Professional Development Day! I enjoyed hearing from our Keynote Speakers - featuring a fascinating history of Mililani - and previewing the special workshops put together by our teachers and staff!

TLC in the Community

Move with MADD Hawai'i 2026

Our family joined over 450 participants at this year's Move with MADD Hawai'i 2026 to honor those impacted by impaired driving and support safer roads for everyone. Mahalo to MADD Hawai'i for their continued advocacy—and a reminder to all of us: make safe choices, never drive impaired, and take care of one another on our roads.



2027 PRE-SESSION LEGISLATIVE SURVEY

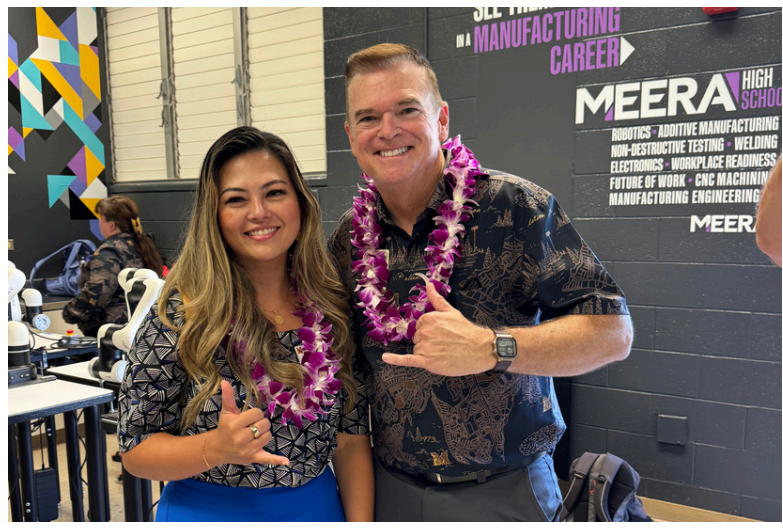
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YOUR VOICE MATTERS!

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Mililani High School MEERA Grand Opening

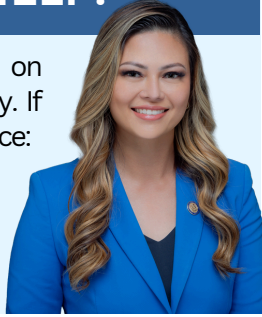
We were excited to celebrate the grand opening of the Manufacturing and Engineering Education Reimagined for All (MEERA) Program at Mililani High School! This innovative program is creating new opportunities for students to explore manufacturing, engineering, and hands-on career pathways and is an exciting way to invest in the future of our keiki!



WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

Our office takes great pride in working on various issues important to our community. If you need assistance, please contact our office:

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Your Voice Matters! Participate in our 2027 Pre-Legislative Survey

Your voice matters in shaping the legislative priorities for District 37—Mililani, Waipio Gentry, and Koa Ridge. Please take a few minutes to complete our survey and share what matters most to you! Scan the QR code above or visit: <https://bit.ly/2027D37Survey>