



# Ewa Monthly Report for April 2018 CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 9

Ewa, Ewa Beach, Mililani, Waikale, Village Park, and Royal Kunia



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## Message from Councilmember Ron Menor

### Aloha Friends and Neighbors,

I was pleased to present honorary certificates to two outstanding citizens at the Launani Village Shopping Center's McDonald's in recognition of their heroism.

Last year, an assailant attempted to rob the restaurant while wielding a knife. Shift manager **Rena Lumbo** was able to distract the suspect long enough for a good Samaritan to intervene. **Christopher Kahele** confronted the suspect with a broom while Ms. Lumbo was able to evacuate her staff through an emergency door at the rear of the restaurant. Due to their heroism and quick thinking, nobody was injured and the suspect was apprehended by police.

**Ewa Makai Middle School** recently held its annual Got Talent Show at the school's cafeteria. Congratulations to first place winner **Kaylee Shimizu** and first runner-up **Trinity Aquino-Quisano** for their outstanding performances!

As always, thank you for the opportunity to serve as your City Councilmember. If you are in need of assistance, you may contact me at any time at 768-5009 or via email at: [rmenor@honolulu.gov](mailto:rmenor@honolulu.gov). Please log on to: [facebook.com/CouncilmemberRonMenor](http://facebook.com/CouncilmemberRonMenor) for more details about my activities as your councilmember. Mahalo!

### EWA BEACH HEROES



*Councilmember Menor presented honorary certificates to Rena Lumbo and Christopher Kahele, holding certificates, in recognition of the heroism they displayed while confronting an armed suspect during an attempted robbery. The presentation was made at the McDonald's restaurant at Launani Village Shopping Center on February 10.*

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Kupuna Health and Safety Fair

**Ewa Weed & Seed** and the **Honolulu Police Department** are pleased to announce their annual **Kupuna Health and Safety Fair**. This event is free for seniors over the age of 62 and will be held on **Friday, April 27 at Ewa Mahiko Gym from 8:15 am until 1:30 pm**. Light refreshments and lunch will be provided for registered participants.

Attendees will have the opportunity to access important resources and information on topics including identity theft, estate planning, fall prevention, emergency preparedness, and personal safety, among many others. Moreover, there will be workshops throughout the day for attendees

to participate in. Informational tables and workshops will be staffed by industry professionals who will be able to assist attendees with any questions or concerns that they may have.

Space for this event is limited. You may reserve your space by contacting **Gale Bracerros at 689-4182 ext. 225 or at [galeb@weedandseehi.org](mailto:galeb@weedandseehi.org) before Friday, April 20.**

Councilmember Menor will once again be attending this important event to hand out tangerines to the kupuna in attendance.

**DreamHouse Keiki Leadership Day**  
**DreamHouse Ewa Beach** is beginning a series of free leadership development experiences for students in 5th-8th grade.

The first of these events will be held at **Ewa Beach Community Park Center on Saturday, April 28 from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm.**

Students who attend this leadership workshop will spend the day doing leadership development exercises, learning 21st century skills, and learning to engage in their community. Meals will be provided for students who attend this event.

If you are interested in having your child attend this workshop, please visit **[www.DreamHouseEwaBeach.org](http://www.DreamHouseEwaBeach.org)** to sign up. The first 50 students who sign up will be covered by full scholarships to attend this event.

## UPDATE ON COMMUNITY CONCERNS

The following is an update on several of the community issues that Councilmember Menor has been addressing:

### **Iroquois Point Bus Service**

Councilmember Menor recently submitted a Request for Investigation and Service Report (RISR) requesting the City to expand City bus services to Iroquois Point.

Councilmember Menor has been contacted by numerous Iroquois Point residents who have requested City bus services in their community.

In responding to the RISR, Department of Transportation Services (DTS) Director Wes Frysztacki notified Councilmember Menor that DTS is unable to provide City bus service to Iroquois Point because it is a private, gated community with private roadways and security-controlled vehicle access. Moreover, accessing Iroquois Point via North Road is a lengthy route that would affect overall service productivity.

However, staff members from the Public Transit Division met with the Iroquois Point General Manager and an Enterprise Rideshare account manager to discuss other possible options. Enterprise Rideshare will submit shuttle service cost proposals to Iroquois Point and will also promote the City's Vanpool Incentive Program to Iroquois Point residents.

Additionally, Councilmember Menor has included funds for the expansion of City bus services to Iroquois Point in the proposed City budget. Councilmember Menor will continue to push for these funds to be allocated and will provide an update on this issue in the future.

### **City Budget**

Mayor Kirk Caldwell submitted his proposed City budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 to the City Council in early

March. The Council is currently reviewing his proposal and will make any necessary adjustments before approving balanced budget in mid-June.

Councilmember Menor has submitted his initial amendments to the proposed City budget. The budget includes funds that will support and expand important services in his district. These include: the expansion of City bus service to Iroquois Point; funds to staff six caretaker positions at Patsy T. Mink Central Oahu Regional Park; and monies for Weed & Seed Hawaii.

### **Miula Street Speeding**

Councilmember Menor was contacted by an Ewa Beach resident notifying him of drivers speeding along Miula Street in the afternoons during after-school pick-up hours. Councilmember Menor submitted a RISR requesting that the City investigate.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) officers from the district's Community Policing Team (CPT) monitored Miula Street and did not observe any speeding violations at the time. However, the CPT officers did speak with nearby residents who agreed that drivers do speed in the area during the after-school hours. HPD will continue to monitor the area and will take any enforcement action that is necessary.

### **Ewa Plain Battlefield**

Councilmember Menor had previously submitted a letter to U.S. Representative Colleen Hanabusa regarding the designation of the Ewa Plain Battlefield as a national monument.

Representative Hanabusa recently replied to Councilmember Menor's letter indicating that her staff is working with the U.S. National Park Service to further research this issue. Councilmember Menor will provide an update on this issue in the future.

## Upcoming Meetings

### **Committee Meetings**

Council committee meetings will be held at Honolulu Hale, Room 205, as follows:

#### **Tuesday - May 1, 2018**

- Public Health, Safety & Welfare: 9 am
- Parks, Cmty & Customer Scvs: 10:30 am
- Executive Matters & Legal Affairs: 1 pm

#### **Wednesday - May 2, 2018**

- Budget: 9 am
- Public Works, Infrastructure, & Sustainability: 1pm

#### **Thursday - May 3, 2018**

- Zoning & Housing: 9 am
- Business, Econ Dev, & Tourism: 1 pm
- Transportation & Planning: 2:30 pm

### **Council Meeting**

#### **Wednesday, May 9, 2018**

Honolulu Hale, 530 South King Street  
Third Floor Council Chambers

- Morning Session: 10 am
- Afternoon Session: 1:30 pm

## Useful City Contact Information

- For concerns regarding refuse collection and bulky items:
  - Wahiawa baseyard (Kunia Camp, Mililani, Waipio Acres) 768-3200
- To dispose of household trash and residential waste material: 226-2996 (Ewa Convenience Center)
- To report an abandoned vehicle: 733-2530
- To report a pothole: 768-7777 (City street) or 536-7852 (State road) or email: [www1.honolulu.gov/dfm/road/pothole.htm](mailto:www1.honolulu.gov/dfm/road/pothole.htm)
- To file a complaint with the City's complaint office: 768-4381 or email: [complaints@honolulu.gov](mailto:complaints@honolulu.gov)
- To report sidewalks that are cracked or uplifted: 768-8159
- For concerns regarding park maintenance: 675-6030
- For concerns regarding bus and handi-van operations: 768-8300
- For concerns regarding motor vehicle registration and drivers' licensing: 532-4324 or 532-4325
- Barking dogs: HPD (911) or the Hawaiian Humane Society (946-2187)
- Crowing roosters: 799-7791
- For complaints regarding public trees: 971-7151
- For complaints regarding satellite city halls: 532-7747
- For permits at City campgrounds: 768-3440
- For updates/ traffic advisories on Honolulu's rail transit project: 566-2299

## NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES



*Councilmembers Menor, Anderson, and Elefante attended the National Association of Counties Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. from March 5 through March 7. The City Council delegation, along with other councilmembers from the neighbor islands, met with United States Senator Mazie Hirono at the United States Senate to discuss federal support for important county issues.*