# **REPORT OF**

# THE 2025 O'AHU COUNTY DEMOCRATS CONVENTION PLATFORM COMMITTEE

The appointed members of the Platform Committee ("PC") include Brenden Kinoshita (Presiding Officer), Lynn Otaguro (Scribe), George Casen, Anne Chipchase, Roger Davis, Carolyn Golojuch, Michele Golojuch, Vehia Goo, Charley Ice, Ken Jacob, Anthony Nagatani, Lori Okuda, Bronson Silva, Larry Smith, and Barbara Yamashita. Lynn Hiyakumoto served as the Zoom Administrator and is a non-voting member of the PC.

The PC met on April 9, 2025, and April 21, 2025, to consider and debate on two proposed additions to the Platform of the O'ahu County Democrats. The platform proposals being recommended for adoption by the O'ahu County Convention are attached as Exhibit "A."

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee

Brenden Kinoshita

Lynn Otaguro

Committee Co-Chair

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Member in attendance:

April 9, 2025 - Called to Order 6:00 p.m.; Recessed 7:20 p.m.

Voting Members – Brenden Kinoshita, Lynn Otaguro, George Casen, Roger Davis, Carolyn Golojuch, Michele Golojuch, Vehia Goo, Larry Smith, and Barbara Yamashita

Non-voting Members - Lynn Hiyakumoto (Zoom Administrator)

<u>April 21, 2025</u> - Called to Order 6:00 p.m.; Adjourned 6:14 p.m.

Voting Members - Brenden Kinoshita, Lynn Otaguro, George Casen, Roger Davis, Vehia Goo, Lori Okuda, Anne Chipchase, Bronson Silva, Larry Smith, and Barbara Yamashita

Non-voting Members - Lynn Hiyakumoto (Zoom Administrator)

# EXHIBIT "A"

# 1. 2025 O'ahu County Democrats Convention Blue Wave Plank Proposal

## Blue Wave

The major purpose of O'ahu Democrats is to elect Democrats in O'ahu County. However, O'ahu benefits when Democrats win in out-of-state elections of national significance as well, since these affect the control of the US House and Senate and the election of the President of the United States. O'ahu County Democrats support efforts to elect Democrats in national campaigns via a Blue Wave Committee, which can identify winnable elections with quality candidates and work with those candidates and state parties to identify and coordinate resources to help them win.

## 2. 2025 O'ahu County Democrats Convention Resistance Plank Proposal

## Resistance

We believe in the United States Constitution and the foundational principles of our country, including the rule of law, and we believe that government should operate in accordance with the Constitution and the law. Where there is disagreement with governmental decisions or actions, we believe in a citizen's right to question and peacefully protest those decisions. We will stand firm, resolute, and determined to challenge what is wrong. We believe that it is proper for the O'ahu County Democrats to peaceably resist or act, in order to defend and uphold the United States Constitution, the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, this platform, and the core principles of democracy and the Democratic Party of Hawai'i.