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**CITY & COUNTY OF HONOLULU MAYORAL CANDIDATES TO DEBATE AT
JOINTLY SPONSORED WOEDA & KAPOLEI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FORUM**

KAPOLEI (June 17, 2010) – On Friday, July 9, 2010, Honolulu’s five candidates for mayor will face-off in a live forum, presented by the West Oahu Economic Development Association (WOEDA) and Kapolei Chamber of Commerce. The Mayoral Forum will take place from 10:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the FilCom Center in Waipahu.

All five candidates running for Mayor—Kirk Caldwell, Peter Carlisle, Donovan Dela Cruz, Panos Prevedouros and Rod Tam—have confirmed their participation. The issues to be addressed will focus on the West Oahu region and will include the rail transit project, economic development, social services and real estate development, among others.

“West Oahu continues to be one of the fastest growing regions in the state, with an active population that is interested in hearing what our candidates for mayor have to say about critical issues of the day,” said WOEDA Board President Jon McKenna, development project manager for Haseko. “We’re so pleased to be able to provide this opportunity jointly with the Kapolei Chamber of Commerce.”

The format will include opening remarks and a question-and-answer session moderated by former TV anchor, Howard Dashefsky, during which questions developed but not shared in advance will be asked of and answered by each candidate.

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The fee to attend the Mayoral Forum, which includes lunch, is \$35 for WOEDA and Kapolei Chamber of Commerce members, and \$45 for non-members. Table of 10 can also be purchased at the stated rate per person. Registration will be from 10:45 to 11:15 a.m., followed by lunch from 11:15 a.m. and the program from 12 noon to 2 p.m. To register or for more information, please contact Barbie Rosario at (808) 842-1600 or bkcorp2@hawaiiantel.net or info@westoahu.org.

About WOEDA

Established in 2001, WOEDA is comprised of a dynamic group of business, community and government leaders dedicated to supporting the economic growth of West Oahu. Together they engage in advocacy, education and promotion to ensure that West Oahu is a great place to live, work and play. For more information, call (808) 842-1600 or visit www.westoahu.org.

About Kapolei Chamber of Commerce

The Kapolei Chamber of Commerce works on behalf of members and the entire business community to improve the regional and State economic climate and help Kapolei businesses thrive. The Chamber is a member-driven, member-supported organization representing the interests of all types of business: small, medium or large, for profit or non-profit businesses or sole proprietorship. For more information, visit www.kapoleichamber.com.

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