



**MESSAGE FROM
U.S. SENATOR MAZIE K. HIRONO**

**In celebration of
The Sustainable Hawaii Youth Leadership Initiative
Youth Leadership Forum**

January 19, 2013

Aloha to everyone attending The Sustainable Hawaii Youth Leadership Initiative's (SHYLI) Youth Leadership Forum.

The Youth Leadership Forum provides an important opportunity for Hawaii's youth to share their vision for our state's future with community, business, and government leaders. I commend this year's delegates: Kynan Kawai, Allie Kitchens, Manoa Johansen, Trevor Tanaka, and Makana Tavares for their innovative and thoughtful contributions to sustainable development in Hawaii.

As a member of the House of Representatives I created a plan to help move our state toward energy and agricultural sustainability. A copy of this Sustainability Plan is included in your presentation packets, and I hope that you find it useful as you develop and implement your Sustainability-In-Action projects. In the Senate, I will continue my commitment to building a more sustainable future for Hawaii, and I look forward to seeing how you will use your knowledge to help move our state toward this independence.

Mahalo to The Sustainable Hawaii Youth Leadership Initiative and everyone who has made this program possible. My best wishes for a memorable and insightful forum!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mazie K. Hirono".

Mazie K. Hirono
U.S. Senator
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