

*Hawai'i Green Party*

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**Advisory Opinion Request (AOR)**

December 15, 1998

N. Bradley Litchfield, Esq.  
Federal Election Commission  
Office of General Counsel  
999 E. Street, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20463

**AOR 1998-27**

Dear Associate General Counsel Litchfield,

Enclosed are several documents relevant to this Request for an Advisory Opinion as to whether the Hawai'i Green Party Coordinating Committee qualifies as a State Party committee of the Hawai'i Green Party. These documents include the Bylaws of the Hawai'i Green Party and documents relating to the federal campaigns run by the Hawai'i Green Party, including the campaign of Linda Martin for United States Senate in 1992. Also included with this documentation is an "Affiliation Agreement" entered into between the Hawai'i Green Party and the Association of State Green Parties (ASGP) founded in November of 1996 at Middleburg, Virginia.

The Hawai'i Green Party operates between State Conventions through the Hawai'i Green Party Coordinating Committee. The Coordinating Committee consists of the "Co-Chairs, Recorder, Treasurer, Membership Chair, and two persons representing each County" (See Article III, Section 3.3 of the Bylaws)

The purpose of the Coordinating Committee is to:

- (a) Accept applicants into membership and determine the qualifications of members of the Hawai'i Green Party;
- (b) Create, oversee, and assist standing and ad-hoc committees as provided in Article V;
- (c) Establish the agenda for meetings and Conventions, or select a Coordinating Committee member or other person who will establish the agenda and facilitate such meetings;
- (d) Propose amendments to the Bylaws, policies, and of the Hawai'i Green Party, as provided in Articles X and XII;
- (e) Approve co-sponsorship of projects or programs with other organizations; Develop and propose a budget as provided in Article VIII, assign special tasks to the Recorder and Treasurer,
- (g) Schedule and plan for General Membership Meetings and Annual State Conventions; and
- (h) Determine the qualifications of persons as candidates of the Hawai'i Green Party and the qualifications of candidates of other political parties for

endorsement by the Hawai'i Green Party, and assist them as appropriate in their campaigns.

See Article III, Section 3.1 of the Bylaws

The Hawai'i Green Party is a state affiliate of the Association of State Green Parties (ASGP). Under its affiliation agreement with the ASGP, the Hawai'i Green Party is required to elect two delegates (one female and one male if possible) to serve in a decisionmaking role with the Association of State Green Parties at general meetings of its Coordinating Committee. Under the affiliation agreement, the Hawai'i Green Party adopted the Bylaws of the Association of State Green Parties (ASGP).

The Hawai'i Green Party has run the following candidates for federal office:

In 1992, Linda Martin was chosen as the Hawai'i Green Party's candidate for United States Senate. During that race, she raised over \$5,000 in campaign donations, and filed with the FEC. In addition, she was listed on the ballot for that election as a "Green Party" candidate.

The Hawai'i Green Party currently holds "major party" status in the state of Hawai'i pursuant to the Hawai'i election code.

In Advisory Opinion 1992-30, the Federal Election Commission determined the elements necessary to qualify an organization as a state committee. The first requirement was the existence of a state affiliate agreement which "delineates activities commensurate with the day-to-day operation of [a political party] on a State level." (See A.O. 1992-30, 1996-27 and 1995-49). The definition of State committee also requires the existence of a political party.

We believe that the Hawai'i Green Party qualifies as a "political party". Under 2 U.S.C. §431(16), a political party is defined as an association, committee, or organization which nominates a candidate for election to any Federal office whose name appears on the election ballot as the candidate of such association, committee, or organization. The candidate mentioned earlier in this communication appeared on the ballot for federal office as a candidate of the Hawai'i Green Party. In addition, that federal candidate filed with the FEC, and thus fulfilled the "candidate" definition under the regulations of the FEC. We believe that this qualifies the Hawai'i Green Party as a "political party".

We also believe that the Hawai'i Green Party's Coordinating Committee qualifies as a "State committee." The Bylaws of the Hawai'i Green Party delineate activities commensurate with the day-to-day operation of the Green Party within the State of Hawai'i.

The Bylaws state that they were adopted October 20, 1989, and subsequent amendments were adopted in 1990, 1992, 1993, and 1994.

In addition, the Bylaws declare that:

**"The purpose of the Hawai'i Green Party is to promote Green politics and political action in the islands of Hawai'i and throughout the Pacific region. The Hawai'i Green Party holds the following key values as our basis for organization and political action:**

**Ecological Wisdom  
Grassroots Democracy  
Nonviolence  
Decentralization  
Community Empowerment  
Gender Equality  
Respect for Diversity  
Global Responsibility  
Focus on the Future and Sustainability  
Personal and Social Responsibility"**

**See Article 1 of the Bylaws**

**We also believe that the granting of State committee status to the Hawai'i Green Party's Coordinating Committee is consistent with the granting of State committee status to the Green Party of Maine (in advisory opinion 1998-23); and to the Green Party of New Mexico (in advisory opinion 1997-29). We would note in addition that in the instant request, the Hawai'i Green Party also currently holds "major party" status.**

**In addition, the national organization with which the Hawai'i Green Party is solely affiliated - the Association of State Green Parties (ASGP) - was founded as an organization entirely based on autonomous, independent state parties. The ASGP consists of a Coordinating Committee (composed of two representative delegates from each state party), and a Steering Committee (composed of five individuals elected by the Coordinating Committee). This organization operates to establish a national electoral framework for political campaigns and the qualification of State parties for State party committee status.**

**We thus submit this Request for an Advisory Opinion on the question of whether the Hawai'i Green Party and its constituent, subordinate entities qualify as a State committee of a political party.**

**We thank you for your immediate attention to this important matter. Please let us know if additional information is required for the processing of this application via communication to the address below.**

Signed,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Linzey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "T" and "L".

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September 17, 1998

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Associate General Counsel  
Federal Election Commission  
999 E Street, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20463

Dear Mr. Litchfield,

This letter is written in support of the recent Advisory Opinion request submitted by the Hawaii Green Party. The Party is seeking recognition of its Coordinating Committee as the State party committee of the Hawaii Green Party ("the State Party").

As the Hawaii Green Party's candidate for U.S. Senate in 1992, I wholeheartedly support the Hawaii Green Party's attempt to gain State Party committee status.

I recognize the authority of the Hawaii Green Party's Coordinating Committee to represent the Hawaii Green Party and I support the Hawaii Green Party Coordinating Committee's request for State Party committee status. In addition, I support the Hawaii Green Party's affiliation with the Association of State Green Parties (ASGP), the national Green Party organization. I firmly support the ASGP as the sole, legitimate national Green Party entity.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of assistance in expediting this request.

Sincerely,



Linda B. Martin

cc: Hawaii Green Party



**STATE OF HAWAII  
OFFICE OF ELECTIONS**

802 LEHUA AVENUE  
PEARL CITY, HAWAII 96782

December 7, 1998

**DWAYNE D. YOSHINA  
CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER**

Thomas Linzey, Esq.  
2244 Lindsay Lot Road  
Shippensburg, PA 17257

Dear Mr. Linzey:

This information is being provided to you by request of Barbara Bell, Co-Chair of the Hawaii Green Party.

This confirms that the Hawaii Green Party is a currently qualified political party in the State of Hawaii. Our records show that the Hawaii Green Party became a qualified political party in Hawaii by petition in 1992. The party has remained a qualified party in Hawaii since 1992, either by petition or by receiving a percentage of the vote as required by Hawaii law. Moreover, in accordance with Hawaii State law, the Hawaii Green Party will remain a qualified political party in Hawaii for the next eight elections.

We have also included copies of the 1992 General Election summary results which show that Linda Martin was a Hawaii Green Party candidate for the office of U.S. Senator in 1992.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to call Laura Shimada at (808) 453-VOTE(8683).

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dwayne D. Yoshina". The signature is stylized with large loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Dwayne D. Yoshina  
Chief Election Officer

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- Enclosure

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Number 1.

PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT	318/ 318/ 318	100.0/100.0	STATE SEN - DIST 3	17/ 17/ 17	100.0/100.0	STATE SEN - DIST 16	11/ 11/ 11	100.0/100.0
(D) CLINTON/GORE	179310	46.8	(D) LEVIN, ANDREW (ANDY)	12075	69.9	(D) GRAULTY, REY	9882	71.8
(R) BUSH/QUAYLE	136822	35.7	(R) HODKINSON, JONATHAN	4088	23.7	(R) BEARD, WILLARD	2850	20.7
(I) PEROT/STOCKDALE	53003	13.8	Blank Votes	1100	6.4	Blank Votes	1028	7.5
(I) GRITZ/HINETT	1452	0.4	Over Votes	4	0.0	Over Votes	2	0.0
(L) HARROU/LORD	1119	0.3	STATE SEN - DIST 5	14/ 14/ 14	100.0/100.0	STATE SEN - DIST 20	9/ 9/ 9	100.0/100.0
(NA) FULANI/MUNOZ	720	0.2	(D) TANAKA, JOE S.	9479	63.6	(D) KANNO, BRIAN	7180	53.4
(NL) HAGELIN/TOMPKINS	416	0.1	(R) ELKINS, PAUL	3865	25.9	(R) ESPERO, WILLIE	4981	37.1
Blank Votes	7196	1.9	Blank Votes	1558	10.5	(G) WONG, EDWINA A. L.	752	5.6
Over Votes	2844	0.7	Over Votes	5	0.0	Blank Votes	522	3.9
U.S. SENATOR	318/ 318/ 318	100.0/100.0	Over Votes	3	0.0	Over Votes	8	0.1
(D) INOUE, DANIEL K.	208266	54.4	STATE SEN - DIST 8	11/ 11/ 11	100.0/100.0	STATE SEN - DIST 24	12/ 12/ 12	100.0/100.0
(R) REED, RICK	97928	25.6	(D) IKEDA, DONNA R.	11716	58.0	(R) KOKI, STAN	9512	54.5
(G) MARTIN, LINDA B.	49921	13.0	(R) LOU, JEREMY	7637	37.8	(D) MURPHY, ELAINE	7104	40.7
(L) ROWLAND, RICHARD O.	7547	2.0	Blank Votes	848	4.2	Blank Votes	823	4.7
Blank Votes	18740	4.9	Over Votes	3	0.0	Over Votes	6	0.0
Over Votes	476	0.1	U.S. REP - DIST 1	143/ 143/ 143	100.0/100.0	STATE SEN - DIST 9	17/ 17/ 17	100.0/100.0
(D) ABERCROMBIE, NEIL	129332	68.4	(D) MATSUNAGA, MATT	9853	49.8	STATE SEN - DIST 25	12/ 12/ 12	100.0/100.0
(R) SUTTON, WARNER C.	41575	22.0	(R) TATIBOUET, JANE	8512	43.0	(R) GEORGE, MARY	9650	56.3
(L) JOHNSON, ROCKNE HART	6569	3.5	(G) ANDERSEN, GARY KENT	684	3.5	(D) KAHANU, DAVID WILCOX	5984	34.9
Blank Votes	11448	6.1	Blank Votes	734	3.7	(L) BARTLEY, LARRY	621	3.6
Over Votes	59	0.0	Over Votes	9	0.0	Blank Votes	880	5.1
U.S. REP - DIST 2	175/ 175/ 175	100.0/100.0	STATE SEN - DIST 12	13/ 13/ 13	100.0/100.0	Over Votes	1	0.0
(D) MINK, PATSY TAKEMOTO	131454	67.8	(D) FUKUNAGA, CAROL	9641	61.0	STATE REP - DIST 1	14/ 14/ 14	100.0/100.0
(R) PRICE, KAUUELA	40070	20.7	(R) CHUN, ERNEST	4707	29.8	(D) TAKAHINE, DWIGHT Y.	5813	68.9
(L) HALLAN, LLOYD (JEFF)	9431	4.9	Blank Votes	1454	9.2	(R) EDWARDS, MARILYN	1539	18.3
Blank Votes	12861	6.6	Over Votes	1	0.0	(G) NAKKIM, LYNN	533	6.3
Over Votes	79	0.0	STATE SEN - DIST 14	13/ 13/ 13	100.0/100.0	Blank Votes	543	6.4
STATE SEN - DIST 2	17/ 17/ 17	100.0/100.0	Over Votes	2	0.0	Over Votes	3	0.0
(D) MATSUURA, RICHARD H.	14194	75.3	(D) HOLT, MILTON A. I.	8235	59.1	STATE REP - DIST 4	8/ 8/ 8	100.0/100.0
(R) BOYD, STEWART K.	3337	17.7	(R) SEAMAN, EARLE	4237	30.4	(D) HERKES, ROBERT N.	4041	47.0
Blank Votes	1317	7.0	Blank Votes	1467	10.5	(R) EVANS, ROGER	2132	24.8
Over Votes	4	0.0	Over Votes	2	0.0	(G) KUBAT, KRISTINE	1867	21.7
						Blank Votes	554	6.4
						Over Votes	3	0.0





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STATE REP - DIST 29	5/ 5/ 5	100.0/100.0	STATE REP - DIST 41	4/ 4/ 4	100.0/100.0	STATE REP - DIST 48	5/ 5/ 5	100.0/100.0
(D) ALCON, EMILIO S.	2712	52.7	(D) OSHIRO, PAUL T.	5107	81.0	(D) IGE, MARSHALL K.	5677	68.6
(R) SANTIAGO, ROB L.	1832	35.6	(G) ALEXANDER, JEFF	842	13.4	(R) MURPHY, WILLIAM	2068	25.0
Blank Votes	598	11.6	Blank Votes	355	5.6	Blank Votes	531	6.4
Over Votes	8	0.2	Over Votes	3	0.0	Over Votes	0	0.0
STATE REP - DIST 32	5/ 5/ 5	100.0/100.0	STATE REP - DIST 42	7/ 7/ 7	100.0/100.0	STATE REP - DIST 49	6/ 6/ 6	100.0/100.0
(D) PEPPER, LEN	2054	37.0	(D) AMARAL, ANNELLE	5125	70.5	(R) THIELEN, CYNTHIA	6155	70.0
(G) CHUN, CONNIE BELTRAN	1993	35.9	(R) CASEY, POLLYANNA	1683	23.1	(D) CLARK-MIYAMOTO, K.	2141	24.3
(R) FESSLER, SHERRIE M.	1177	21.2	Blank Votes	465	6.4	Blank Votes	497	5.7
Blank Votes	320	5.8	Over Votes	0	0.0	Over Votes	1	0.0
Over Votes	8	0.1	STATE REP - DIST 43	5/ 5/ 5	100.0/100.0	STATE REP - DIST 50	7/ 7/ 7	100.0/100.0
STATE REP - DIST 34	4/ 4/ 4	100.0/100.0	(D) PETERS, HENRY	2364	55.7	(D) NEKOBA, DEVON M. T.	4645	51.2
(D) IGE, DAVID Y.	5758	76.9	(R) HORNING, RORY	1695	40.0	(R) KAWABATA, CHRISTY	4028	44.4
(R) PARKER, MONTE RAE	1217	16.2	Blank Votes	181	4.3	Blank Votes	406	4.5
Blank Votes	516	6.9	Over Votes	2	0.0	Over Votes	0	0.0
Over Votes	0	0.0	STATE REP - DIST 44	3/ 3/ 3	100.0/100.0	STATE REP - DIST 51	6/ 6/ 6	100.0/100.0
STATE REP - DIST 35	5/ 5/ 5	100.0/100.0	(D) APO, PETER K.	2576	56.3	(D) YOUNG, JACKIE	4415	57.0
(D) YONAMINE, NOBORU	5566	66.8	(R) MIXELL, MICHAEL J.	1786	39.0	(R) ANDERSON, EVE GLOVER	2973	38.4
(R) STEBBINS, JOAN KENLY	2353	28.2	Blank Votes	212	4.6	Blank Votes	359	4.6
Blank Votes	413	5.0	Over Votes	1	0.0	Over Votes	3	0.0
Over Votes	0	0.0	STATE REP - DIST 46	4/ 4/ 4	100.0/100.0	MAYOR - HONOLULU	207/ 207/ 207	100.0/100.0
STATE REP - DIST 38	4/ 4/ 4	100.0/100.0	(D) BEIRNE, D. ULULANI	2879	51.7	(R) FASI, FRANK F.	127939	47.0
(D) LEE, SAMUEL S. H.	5062	68.0	(R) MEYER, COLLEEN	2394	43.0	(D) O'CONNOR, DENNIS	124719	45.9
(R) LI, MICHAEL K. W.	1941	26.1	Blank Votes	291	5.2	(L) SCHWEIGERT, JACK	10670	3.9
Blank Votes	438	5.9	Over Votes	1	0.0	Blank Votes	8561	3.1
Over Votes	0	0.0	STATE REP - DIST 47	4/ 4/ 4	100.0/100.0	Over Votes	103	0.0
STATE REP - DIST 39	5/ 5/ 5	100.0/100.0	(D) TOM, TERRANCE W. H.	4980	61.7	MAYOR - HAWAII	53/ 53/ 53	100.0/100.0
(D) MENOR, RON	5457	69.7	(R) GOEAS, HERB	2774	34.4	(D) YAMASHIRO, STEPHEN	27787	52.9
(R) ARAKAKI, RON S.	2001	25.6	Blank Votes	316	3.9	(G) DAVIS, JACK C.	14117	26.9
Blank Votes	367	4.7	Over Votes	1	0.0	(R) KAEHUAEEA, WENDELL	6971	13.3
Over Votes	3	0.0	(L) ANDERSON, AARON				1396	2.7
			Blank Votes			Blank Votes	2204	4.2
			Over Votes			Over Votes	54	0.1

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COUNCIL DIST I			11/ 11/ 11	100.0/100.0	COUNCIL DIST VIII	3/ 3/ 3	100.0/100.0	COUNCIL - EAST	39/ 39/ 39	100.0/100.0
(D) DOMINGO, TAKASHI	4284	73.3	(R) RATH, JIM	2648	48.4	(D) LEE, ALICE L.	20391	53.2		
(G) TAKAZAWA, ELLEN J.	1119	19.1	(D) CHONG, WARREN P.	2601	47.6	(R) BARR, ALLEN W.	9842	25.7		
Blank Votes	445	7.6	Blank Votes	219	4.0	(G) NIKHILANANDA	2767	7.2		
Over Votes	0	0.0	Over Votes	1	0.0	Blank Votes	5274	13.8		
						Over Votes	29	0.1		
COUNCIL DIST II			6/ 6/ 6	100.0/100.0	COUNCIL DIST IX	5/ 5/ 5	100.0/100.0	COUNCIL - SOUTH	39/ 39/ 39	100.0/100.0
(D) DE LIMA, BRIAN J.	4150	65.6	(D) SCHUTTE, SPENCER	2790	49.3	(D) BRITTON, LYNN	18654	48.7		
(R) PAPALIMU, BEVERLY G.	1720	27.2	(R) KEPO'O, ARTHUR	1887	33.4	(R) SHEPHERD, DIANE E.	13563	35.4		
Blank Votes	453	7.2	(G) CACKLEY, CHRIS	698	12.3	Blank Votes	6072	15.9		
Over Votes	3	0.0	Blank Votes	274	4.8	Over Votes	14	0.0		
			Over Votes	8	0.1					
COUNCIL DIST IV			5/ 5/ 5	100.0/100.0	COUNCIL - NO DIST RES	39/ 39/ 39	100.0/100.0	COUNCIL - MOLOKAI	39/ 39/ 39	100.0/100.0
(D) ROSEHILL, ROBERT F.	2679	49.5	(D) MORROW, TOM	16300	42.6	(D) KAWANO, PATRICK S.	20809	54.3		
(R) OSORIO, ELROY	2460	45.5	(R) DRUMMOND, LEINAALA	15931	41.6	(R) DUDOIT, RONNIE K.	10442	27.3		
Blank Votes	264	4.9	(G) BERTRAM, JOE, III	1948	5.1	Blank Votes	7043	18.4		
Over Votes	4	0.1	Blank Votes	4066	10.6	Over Votes	9	0.0		
			Over Votes	58	0.2					
COUNCIL DIST V			3/ 3/ 3	100.0/100.0	COUNCIL - CENTRAL (3)	39/ 39/ 39	100.0/100.0	COUNCIL - LANAI	39/ 39/ 39	100.0/100.0
(D) HALE, HELENE H.	2507	49.1	(D) APANA, JAMES (KIMO)	20756	25.8	(D) HOKAMA, GORO	18959	49.5		
(G) RUDERMAN, RUSSELL E.	1602	31.3	(D) MONIZ, JUNIOR	17871	22.2	(R) ORNELLAS, JOHN ROCHA	12860	33.6		
(R) REED, ROBERT I.	782	15.3	(D) MEDINA, RICK	17037	21.2	Blank Votes	6478	16.9		
Blank Votes	219	4.3	(R) ARAKAWA, ALAN	16283	20.3	Over Votes	6	0.0		
Over Votes	1	0.0	(G) RAISBECK, SALLY	6370	7.9	COUNCILMEMBERS (7)	18/ 18/ 18	100.0/100.0		
			Blank Votes	2000	2.5					
			Over Votes	38	0.0					
(G) BONK-ABRAMSON, KEIKO	3141	54.6	(D) ASING, BILL (KAIPO)	11835	12.9	(D) CORREA, MAXINE	11154	12.1		
(D) MAKUAKANE, ROBERT H.	2022	35.1	COUNCIL - WEST	39/ 39/ 39	100.0/100.0	(D) VALENCIANO, RANDAL	10694	11.6		
(R) VENABLE, BRADAH	350	6.1				(D) TEHADA, JIMMY	9748	10.6		
Blank Votes	239	4.2	(D) NAKAMURA, DENNIS Y.	16013	41.8	(D) KOUCHI, RONALD	9734	10.6		
Over Votes	1	0.0	(R) SOARES, WILLIAM	13649	35.6	(D) MUNECHIKA, MAURICE	9516	10.3		
			(G) SCHWARTZ, JASON W.	3497	9.1	(D) FUKUSHIMA, JESSE	9488	10.3		
COUNCIL DIST VII			5/ 5/ 5	100.0/100.0	Blank Votes	5094	13.3	(R) CURTIS, MICHAEL	5541	6.0
			Over Votes	50	0.1	(R) ZABLAN, LLEWELLA M.	3806	4.1		
(R) CHILDS, KEOLA	3593	56.1				(R) CUTCHER, DAVID	3657	4.0		
(D) WILSON, ROSS, JR.	2557	39.9				(R) KEKAHU, JOHN, III	3569	3.9		
Blank Votes	253	4.0				(G) BAILEY, VICTOR	2370	2.6		
Over Votes	1	0.0				Blank Votes	809	0.9		
						Over Votes	31	0.0		

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BOE - 1ST DEPT SCH	111/ 111/ 111	OHA - HAWAII	318/ 318/ 318	REAPPORTIONMENT BASE	318/ 318/ 318
	100.0/100.0		100.0/100.0		100.0/100.0
FOX, ROBERT A.	43779 39.6	AKAKA, MOANIKEALA	27295 53.5	CHANGE TO POPULATION YES	210400 55.1
PLUNKETT, TERRY K.	41068 37.1	ROSS, LILIUOKALANI	9916 19.4	BASED REAPPORTIONMENT NO	120029 31.4
Blank Votes	25781 23.3	KEANAAINA, MARCEL KALEI	8442 16.5	Blank Votes	51308 13.4
Over Votes	35 0.0	Blank Votes	5338 10.5	Over Votes	217 0.1
		Over Votes	38 0.1		
BOE - NO DIST RES (3)	207/ 207/ 207	OHA - KAUAI	318/ 318/ 318	1. C & C CHARTER	207/ 207/ 207
	100.0/100.0		100.0/100.0	TERM LIMIT: MAYOR	100.0/100.0
BRODIE, LEX	157602 25.4			LIMIT TO TWO YES	181194 66.7
AIONA, DARROW L.	110128 17.7	KEALE, MOSES K. (MOKE)	34068 66.8	CONSECUTIVE TERMS NO	76987 28.3
APO, MARGARET K.	96385 15.5	POMROY, SHARON	11327 22.2	Blank Votes	13336 4.9
YOUNG, SUSAN LAI	95120 15.3	Blank Votes	5620 11.0	Over Votes	168 0.1
ANZAI, EARL ICHIRO	81387 13.1	Over Votes	14 0.0		
YOON, CAROL ANNE	57873 9.3			2. C & C CHARTER	207/ 207/ 207
Blank Votes	22363 3.6	OHA - MOLOKAI	318/ 318/ 318	TERM LIMIT: COUNCIL	100.0/100.0
Over Votes	386 0.1		100.0/100.0		
				LIMIT TO TWO YES	164702 60.6
BOE - 3RD DEPT SCH	207/ 207/ 207	KEALOHA, SAMUEL LYONS	16727 32.8	CONSECUTIVE TERMS NO	91399 33.6
	100.0/100.0	PURDY, HARRY K., III	9998 19.6	Blank Votes	15428 5.7
		RAGSDALE, WALTER	5419 10.6	Over Votes	156 0.1
HATSUMOTO, DENISE	151203 55.7	KAHAE, MARTIN DEAN	4622 9.1		
MIRIKITANI, JOHN MASA	74009 27.3	GRANBÜSCH, LIKO KAHAKANA	3984 7.8	3. C & C CHARTER	207/ 207/ 207
Blank Votes	46189 17.0	ALCAIN, BOBBY MAKAIWI	2889 5.7	AT-LARGE COUNCIL	100.0/100.0
Over Votes	151 0.1	Blank Votes	7269 14.2		
		Over Votes	121 0.2	CREATE 4 OF 9 YES	109053 40.1
BOE - 5TH DEPT SCH	207/ 207/ 207	REAPPORTIONMENT	318/ 318/ 318	AT-LARGE SEATS NO	136020 50.1
	100.0/100.0	COMMISSION	100.0/100.0	Blank Votes	26400 9.7
				Over Votes	212 0.1
NAKANO, RONALD B. Y.	109457 40.3				
KAM, THOMAS K. Y.	101484 37.4	CONSTITUTE ON/BEFORE YES	192432 50.4	4. C & C CHARTER	207/ 207/ 207
Blank Votes	60521 22.3	MAY 1 NO	127199 33.3	NONPARTISAN ELECTION	100.0/100.0
Over Votes	90 0.0	Blank Votes	61850 16.2		
		Over Votes	473 0.1	TO BE NONPARTISAN YES	130588 48.1
OHA - AT LARGE	318/ 318/ 318	OATH OF OFFICE	318/ 318/ 318	CITY ELECTIONS NO	113905 41.9
	100.0/100.0		100.0/100.0	Blank Votes	26916 9.9
				Over Votes	276 0.1
KAHALI'I, KINA'U BOYD	16467 32.3				
HAO, LOUIS	14340 28.1	RESERVE OATH FOR YES	228395 59.8	5. C & C CHARTER	207/ 207/ 207
GILL, KAVEHI K.	6185 12.1	DESIGNATED OFFICIALS NO	101827 26.7	PLAN & ZONING PROCESS	100.0/100.0
DE FRIES, ARTHA K.	3037 6.0	Blank Votes	51451 13.5		
PELEKAI, ED KUAMU M.	2709 5.3	Over Votes	281 0.1	REFORM DEVELOPMENT YES	198066 72.9
PA, CHAUNCEY W.	2221 4.4			PLAN/ZONING PROCESS NO	42341 15.6
POOHINA, ERIC F.	1124 2.2	HOLDOVER SENATORS	318/ 318/ 318	Blank Votes	31010 11.4
SABEY, JOHN L. (KIONE)	726 1.4		100.0/100.0	Over Votes	268 0.1
Blank Votes	3038 6.0				
Over Votes	1182 2.3	ELIMINATION OF YES	217462 56.9		
		HOLDOVER SENATORS NO	105353 27.6		
		Blank Votes	58864 15.4		
		Over Votes	275 0.1		



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24. C & C CHARTER			207/ 207/ 207	30. C & C CHARTER			207/ 207/ 207	LANAI PLANNING			39/ 39/ 39
STATE/FEDERAL EMPLOYEES			100.0/100.0	VIOLATION OF CHARTER			100.0/100.0	COMMISSION			100.0/100.0
STATE/FED WORKERS	YES	132948	49.0	RAISE PENALTY	YES	191876	70.7	ESTABLISH SEPARATE	YES	16895	44.1
AS CITY WORKERS	NO	108375	39.9	TO \$2,000	NO	37826	13.9	COMMISSION FOR LANAI	NO	14436	37.7
Blank Votes		30089	11.1	Blank Votes		41670	15.3	Blank Votes		6934	18.1
Over Votes		128	0.0	Over Votes		168	0.1	Over Votes		8	0.0
25. C & C CHARTER			207/ 207/ 207	31. C & C CHARTER			207/ 207/ 207	APPOINTMENT & APPROVAL			39/ 39/ 39
NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION			100.0/100.0	CHARTER COMMISSION			100.0/100.0				100.0/100.0
REQUIRE 3 MEMBERS	YES	185559	68.3	EXTEND SERVICE OF	YES	142141	52.3	CLARIFY APPT.	YES	18281	47.8
PRIOR BOARD SERVICE	NO	54854	20.2	CHARTER COMMISSION	NO	81085	29.9	& TEMPORARY APPT.	NO	13137	34.3
Blank Votes		30900	11.4	Blank Votes		48231	17.8	Blank Votes		6843	17.9
Over Votes		227	0.1	Over Votes		83	0.0	Over Votes		12	0.0
26. C & C CHARTER			207/ 207/ 207	32. C & C CHARTER			207/ 207/ 207	CODE OF ETHICS			39/ 39/ 39
DEPT. OF CIVIL SERVICE			100.0/100.0	HOUSEKEEPING AMENDMENTS			100.0/100.0				100.0/100.0
RE-NAME TO DEPT.	YES	123140	45.3	HOUSEKEEPING	YES	198351	73.0	CLARIFY FILINGS,	YES	20716	54.1
OF PERSONNEL	NO	109327	40.3	AMENDMENTS	NO	29901	11.0	PROHIBIT., OPINIONS	NO	10469	27.4
Blank Votes		38992	14.4	Blank Votes		43219	15.9	Blank Votes		7081	18.5
Over Votes		81	0.0	Over Votes		69	0.0	Over Votes		7	0.0
27. C & C CHARTER			207/ 207/ 207	COUNTY COUNCIL: TERM			53/ 53/ 53	BOARD OF VARIANCES &			39/ 39/ 39
REORGANIZATION COMM.			100.0/100.0				100.0/100.0	APPEALS			100.0/100.0
ELIMINATE	YES	160728	59.2	PROVIDE LIMITS TO	YES	12654	24.1	DELETE VARIANCES TO	YES	12512	32.7
COMMISSION	NO	62963	23.2	COUNCIL TERMS	NO	32869	62.6	GENERAL PLAN	NO	17709	46.3
Blank Votes		47775	17.6	Blank Votes		6932	13.2	Blank Votes		8048	21.0
Over Votes		74	0.0	Over Votes		23	0.0	Over Votes		4	0.0
28. C & C CHARTER			207/ 207/ 207	COUNCIL COMPOSITION			39/ 39/ 39	SALARY COMMISSION			39/ 39/ 39
FINANCE DIRECTOR			100.0/100.0				100.0/100.0				100.0/100.0
ESTABLISH PURCHASING	YES	148371	54.6	ELECT AT-LARGE	YES	23004	60.1	SET SALARIES FOR ALL	YES	19870	51.9
CONTRACTING RULES	NO	79643	29.3	RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT	NO	11131	29.1	DIRECTORS, DEPUTIES	NO	13160	34.4
Blank Votes		43414	16.0	Blank Votes		4118	10.8	Blank Votes		5222	13.6
Over Votes		112	0.0	Over Votes		20	0.1	Over Votes		14	0.0
29. C & C CHARTER			207/ 207/ 207	COUNTY COUNCIL			39/ 39/ 39	PROSECUTING ATTORNEY			39/ 39/ 39
CITY PURCHASES			100.0/100.0				100.0/100.0				100.0/100.0
CHANGE PURCHASE	YES	133830	49.3	CHANGE RE: TERMS,	YES	23588	61.6	POLICE POWERS	YES	11024	28.8
LIMIT FOR ADVERTISING	NO	93918	34.6	RESIDENCY, VOTING	NO	10144	26.5	TO INVESTIGATORS	NO	22309	58.3
Blank Votes		43680	16.1	Blank Votes		4533	11.8	Blank Votes		4920	12.9
Over Votes		112	0.0	Over Votes		8	0.0	Over Votes		13	0.0

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QUALIFICATIONS			CHARTER AMENDMENTS			REGISTRATION AND TURNOUT			
	39/	39/	39/		39/	39/	39/		
	100.0/	100.0/	100.0/		100.0/	100.0/	100.0/		
CHANGE QUAL. FOR OFFICIALS	YES	17836	46.6	NEW COMMISSION AND AMENDMENT PROCEDURE	YES	16540	43.2	***** GENERAL *****	
	NO	14974	39.1		NO	13119	34.3		
Blank Votes		5441	14.2	Blank Votes		8600	22.5		
Over Votes		15	0.0	Over Votes		7	0.0	TOTAL REGISTRATION..... 464495	
DEPARTMENTAL NAMES			39/ 39/ 39/	PLANNING COMMISSION			18/ 18/ 18/	TOTAL TURNOUT..... 382882 82.4	
			100.0/100.0/				100.0/100.0/	PRECINCT TURNOUT..... 342343 73.7	
CHANGE THE NAMES OF TWO DEPARTMENTS	YES	16635	43.5	SET QUALIFICATIONS FOR COMPOSITION	YES	11073	55.9	A BALLOTS CAST..... 342343 73.7	
	NO	15605	40.8		NO	4673	23.6	B BALLOTS CAST..... 342325 73.7	
Blank Votes		6016	15.7	Blank Votes		4050	20.5	C BALLOTS CAST..... 342254 73.7	
Over Votes		10	0.0	Over Votes		6	0.0	D BALLOTS CAST..... 279857 60.2	
FIRE DEPARTMENT			39/ 39/ 39/	BUDGET PROCESS			18/ 18/ 18/	D2 BALLOTS CAST..... 279809 60.2	
			100.0/100.0/				100.0/100.0/	ABSENTEE TURNOUT..... 40539 8.7	
EXPAND RESPON. OF FIRE CHIEF	YES	22893	59.8	SET STANDARDS FOR ADOPTION OF BUDGET	YES	8481	42.8	A BALLOTS CAST..... 40539 8.7	
	NO	11007	28.8		NO	6596	33.3	B BALLOTS CAST..... 39890 8.6	
Blank Votes		4351	11.4	Blank Votes		4715	23.8	C BALLOTS CAST..... 39700 8.5	
Over Votes		15	0.0	Over Votes		10	0.1	D BALLOTS CAST..... 30101 6.5	
FINANCIAL PROCEDURES			39/ 39/ 39/	IMPEACHMENT			18/ 18/ 18/	D2 BALLOTS CAST..... 29997 6.5	
			100.0/100.0/				100.0/100.0/	***** OVERSEAS BALLOTS CAST *****	
MAKE CHANGES TO FINANCIAL PROCEDURES	YES	16044	41.9	CHANGE SIGNATURES REQUIRED, PAY FEES	YES	7966	40.2	1ST CONGRESSIONAL..... 58	
	NO	13911	36.4		NO	7207	36.4	2ND CONGRESSIONAL..... 27	
Blank Votes		8300	21.7	Blank Votes		4626	23.4	PRESIDENTIAL..... 4	
Over Votes		11	0.0	Over Votes		3	0.0		
INITIATIVE			39/ 39/ 39/	COUNCIL: TERMS			18/ 18/ 18/		
			100.0/100.0/				100.0/100.0/		
CHANGE PROCEDURES TO FILE AND PROCESS	YES	13825	36.1	EXTEND/LIMIT TERMS SET VACANCY POLICY	YES	4846	24.5	*****	
	NO	15623	40.8		NO	11473	57.9	*****	
Blank Votes		8810	23.0	Blank Votes		3477	17.6	OFF. OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS *****	
Over Votes		8	0.0	Over Votes		6	0.0	TOTAL REGISTRATION 68122	
RECALL			39/ 39/ 39/					TOTAL TURNOUT..... 51029 74.9	
			100.0/100.0/					PRECINCT TURNOUT..... 45597 66.9	
CHANGE PROCEDURES TO FILE AND PROCESS	YES	14592	38.1					ABSENTEE TURNOUT..... 5432 8.0	
	NO	14963	39.1						
Blank Votes		8704	22.7						
Over Votes		7	0.0						

# **BY-LAWS OF THE HAWAII GREEN PARTY**

## **ARTICLE I** **PURPOSE AND VALUES**

The purpose of the Hawai'i Green Party is to promote Green politics and political action in the islands of Hawai'i and throughout the Pacific region. The Hawai'i Green Party holds the following key values as our basis for organization and political action:

Ecological Wisdom  
Grassroots Democracy  
Nonviolence  
Decentralization  
Community Empowerment  
Gender Equality  
Respect for Diversity  
Global Responsibility  
Focus on the Future and Sustainability  
Personal and Social Responsibility

These values will be the basis for guiding Hawai'i Green Party policy platforms, political activities, and election campaigns. Hawai'i Green Party politics will be informed by these values and by the wider Green movement. This organization will work with other Green organizations in the United States, the Pacific region and the world, as may be determined from time to time by the State Coordinating Committee.

## **ARTICLE II** **MEMBERS**

### **Section 2.1. Who Members Are:**

(1) Membership application is open to anyone, regardless of age, race, color, national origin, spiritual belief, gender, sexual orientation, or physical challenge. A membership applicant shall sign an application form made available by the Recorder or other member. The application form shall state that the applicant agrees to abide by the Bylaws of the Hawai'i Green Party and agrees in principle with the political platform of the Hawai'i Green Party. A payment for dues shall accompany the application.

(2) Local members are persons eligible to vote in Hawai'i who have paid their local dues. Affiliate members are people who are not eligible to vote in Hawai'i who wish to be affiliated with the Hawai'i Green Party and have paid their affiliate dues. Dues will be determined by the Coordinating Committee as prescribed in Article VII. Affiliate members are not entitled to vote in Hawai'i Green Party meetings, and are not counted

as members of record, but they may otherwise participate in the activities of the Hawai'i Green Party.

**Section 2.2. General Powers of Members:**

- (1) The members have the power and rights to:
  - (a) Serve on committees;
  - (b) Vote and take other action on any and all matters dealing with the Hawai'i Green Party, although normally a great deal of the action is directed by the Coordinating Committee;
  - (c) Rescind any action or inaction by the Co-Chairs, officers, committees, or committee chairs;
  - (d) Approve the Bylaws, policies, and political platform of the Hawai'i Green Party and propose and approve any amendments thereto;
  - (e) Elect the Co-Chairs, Recorder, Treasurer, and Membership Chair;
  - (f) Remove the Co-Chairs, Recorder, Treasurer, and Membership Chair;
  - (g) Receive an annual financial report, covering the prior calendar year and showing the income, expenses and balance sheet of the Hawai'i Green Party, which shall be made available to the membership prior to the Annual Convention, together with a proposed budget for the current calendar year;
  - (h) Be candidates for elective office as Hawai'i Green Party candidates independent candidates or as candidates of any other recognized political party, and
  - (i) Nominate and vote for candidates for office in the Hawai'i Green Party and vote on policy platforms and other party policies in committees and at Hawai'i Green Party Conventions and meetings.
- (2) It is expected that the members shall always take action as a group, except in individual election campaigns for public office or for an office within the Hawai'i Green Party.
- (3) No individual member or members may speak or act on behalf of the Hawai'i Green Party or a county organization except through action taken at a properly called meeting at which a quorum is present.
- (4) The spokespersons for all public announcements or comment about the Hawai'i Green Party and its business shall be the Co-Chairs or other duly designated representative, as authorized pursuant to Section 3.4.
- (5) Each member has the responsibility to adhere to the stated Green values.

**ARTICLE III**  
**COORDINATING COMMITTEE**

**Section 3.1. Affirmative Action:**



It shall be the policy of the Hawai'i Green Party that the Coordinating Committee members as closely as possible reflect and be sensitive to the general membership proportions with regard to ethnicity and gender.

**Section 3.1. General Powers:**

- (1) The Coordinating Committee shall:**
  - (a) Accept applicants into membership and determine the qualifications of members of the Hawai'i Green Party;**
  - (b) Create, oversee, and assist standing and ad-hoc committees as provided in Article V;**
  - (c) Establish the agenda for meetings and Conventions, or select a Coordinating Committee member or other person who will establish the agenda and facilitate such meetings;**
  - (d) Propose amendments to the Bylaws, policies, and of the Hawai'i Green Party, as provided in Articles X and XII;**
  - (e) Approve co-sponsorship of projects or programs with other organizations; Develop and propose a budget as provided in Article VIII, assign special tasks to the Recorder and Treasurer,**
  - (g) Schedule and plan for General Membership Meetings and Annual State Conventions; and**
  - (h) Determine the qualifications of persons as candidates of the Hawai'i Green Party and the qualifications of candidates of other political parties for endorsement by the Hawai'i Green Party, and assist them as appropriate in their campaigns.**
- (2) The business of the Coordinating Committee is subject to review and revision by the membership.**

**Section 3.3. Who Constitutes the Coordinating Committee:**

The Co-Chairs, Recorder, Treasurer, Membership Chair, and two persons representing each County shall serve as the members of the Coordinating Committee. The county representatives, and alternate representatives, shall be chosen by their respective County Committee, or as otherwise provided by the Bylaws of the respective county organization.

**Section 3.4. Coordinating Committee Meetings:**

- (1) The Coordinating Committee will meet at least once quarterly, and as it otherwise decides. Such meetings may be by telephone or computer conference, provided that at least one Coordinating Committee meeting per year shall be scheduled with the intent that all members appear in person.**
- (2) The Coordinating Committee shall, to the extent practical, establish a schedule of regular Coordinating Committee meetings. The Co-Chairs shall cause notice of each regular and special committee meeting to be given to all members of the Coordinating Committee not less than seven (7) days in advance of the meeting. Emergency meetings may be called by one Co-Chair on shorter notice, provided that at least a**

majority of the Coordinating Committee members either attend the meeting in person or by telephone or waive seven-days' notice.

(3) Decision-making shall be made by the Coordinating Committee and not by individual Coordinating Committee members or committee chairs.

(4) A majority of the Coordinating Committee, participating in person or by telephone, constitutes a quorum for Coordinating Committee meetings.

(5) If a quorum cannot be established or maintained, or if notice was defective, those members who are participating may proceed to consider matters on the agenda, but only in an informal and advisory capacity. All matters that are required to be acted upon in such a meeting shall be deferred to the next meeting properly noticed and at which a quorum is present.

(6) The Coordinating Committee will attempt to reach its decisions by consensus, but upon the request of any Coordinating Committee member, it shall make decisions on the basis of majority vote if consensus cannot be reached after reasonable efforts.

(7) Travel and telecommunication expenses relating to the conduct of Coordinating Committee meetings shall be borne as follows: by the treasury of the state organization for the travel of the officers listed in Section 4.2 and for all telecommunications; and by the treasury of the state and the county committees equally for the travel expenses of the county representatives who attend from their respective counties.

#### ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

##### Section 4.1. General Powers:

Many powers customarily given to officers are instead held by the members and committees of the Hawai'i Green Party. The powers of the officers are only those specified in these bylaws.

##### Section 4.2. Who Officers Are:

The officers of the Hawai'i Green Party shall be two Co-Chairs, a Recorder, a Treasurer, and a Membership Chair. The members may create additional offices, and if such offices are created, the members shall specify their powers and relationships with other offices. The officers are elected by the members at the Annual Convention for a term of one year. Their terms continue until their successors have been elected.

##### Section 4.3. Resignation and Removal:

(1) Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Coordinating Committee.

**(2) Any officer whose term has not expired may be removed by vote of three-quarters of the members present at an Annual State Convention or other General Membership Meeting.**

**Section 4.4. Vacancies:**

**(1) A vacancy in any office for any reason except removal may be filled by the Coordinating Committee for the remaining portion of the term. The Coordinating Committee should strive to maintain a gender balance in the case of vacancies.**

**(2) A vacancy in office caused by removal may be filled by the general membership for the remaining portion of the term of that office, or the general membership may direct the Coordinating Committee to fill the vacancy for the remaining portion of the term.**

**Section 4.5. The Co-Chairs:**

**(1) The Co-Chairs shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the members and the Coordinating Committee, subject to the directions and control of the members. Also, the Co-Chairs shall:**

- (a) Share responsibility for carrying out the functions of the position;**
- (b) Establish Coordinating Committee agendas;**
- (c) Serve as spokespersons and correspondents for the Hawai'i Green Party as authorized by the Coordinating Committee and/or the membership; and**
- (d) Serve as ex-officio members on all committees.**

**(2) The members shall elect one male and one female to serve as Co-Chairs. The Coordinating Committee should strive to maintain this gender balance in the case of resignations.**

**Section 4.6. The Recorder:**

**(1) Shall take and prepare minutes of General Membership Meetings and Annual Conventions and Coordinating Committee meetings;**

**(2) Provide notice of Coordinating Committee meetings, and in conjunction with the Membership Chair provide notice of the Annual State Convention and other General Membership Meetings; and**

**(3) Be custodian of the records of the Hawai'i Green Party, other than financial and membership records, and shall make those records available to members of the Hawai'i Green Party at meetings or at other times of reasonable request.**

**Section 4.7. The Treasurer:**

**(1) Shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds;**

**(2) Receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the Hawai'i Green Party from any source;**

**(3) Co-sign with one Co-Chair all required financial documents;**

- (4) In general, perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer;
- (5) Prepare a budget and financial report for the Annual State Convention as provided in Article VIII;
- (6) Cooperate closely with the standing committee on finance, budget, and fundraising;
- (7) File or cause to be filed all tax returns that the Hawai'i Green Party may be required to file under applicable law; and
- (8) Ensure that County Treasurers and other party members dealing with finance are apprised of and comply with applicable laws and regulations on political party finances.

**Section 4.8. The Membership Chair:**

Shall be responsible for ensuring that current and accurate membership records of the Hawai'i Green Party are maintained;

(1) The Membership Chair shall also be responsible for recruitment of new members who subscribe to the principles of the Hawai'i Green Party;

(2) The Membership Chair shall cooperate closely with the standing committees on membership development and membership communications.

**ARTICLE V**  
**COMMITTEES**

**Section 5.1. Standing Committees:**

(1) The Coordinating Committee shall establish and maintain standing committees of the Hawai'i Green Party, composed of members of the party, to assist the Coordinating Committee with respect to:

- (a) Finance, budget, and fundraising for party operations;
- (b) Membership recruitment;
- (c) Platform and policy development;
- (d) Candidate development; and
- (e) Membership communications.

(2) The standing committee shall report to the Coordinating Committee as the Coordinating Committee shall direct, and the standing committees shall report to the membership at each Annual State Convention and other General Membership Meeting.

**Section 5.2 Ad-Hoc Committees:**

The Coordinating Committee may establish and appoint members to ad-hoc committees from time to time for such purposes as the Coordinating Committee may

deem necessary and proper.

**Section 5.3 Committee Procedures:**

The Coordinating Committee shall establish the procedures relating to notice of meetings, quorum, voting, and other matters for standing and ad-hoc committees. Unless the Coordinating Committee otherwise provides, the standing and ad-hoc committee shall follow the procedures set forth in Section 3.4.

**ARTICLE VI**

**ANNUAL STATE CONVENTIONS AND OTHER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

**Section 6.1. Annual State Conventions:**

The Hawai'i Green Party's Annual State Convention of its general membership shall be held as close as practical to the Spring Equinox, about March 20, and in any event between March 1 and April 30 of each year. The agenda and platform for the Hawai'i Green Party will normally be proposed to the Convention by the Coordinating Committee and other committees. The business of the Conventions shall include:

- (1) Election of the officers of the Hawai'i Green Party;
- (2) Adoption of the Hawai'i Green Party election platform or amendments to the platform; and
- (3) Endorsement of initiatives, referenda, and other statements on public policy.

**Section 6.2. Other General Membership Meetings:**

- (1) Other General Membership Meetings shall be called upon a written call to the Coordinating Committee by (a) Fifty percent (50%) of the Coordinating Committee; or  
(b) Fifteen percent (15%) of the members of record.

(2) Such a meeting shall be held not less than thirty days nor more than sixty days after the call. The written call may specify the date of such a meeting. Upon such a written call, the Coordinating Committee shall promptly ensure that notice is given to all members of record as provided in Section 6.3.

**Section 6.3. Notice of Meetings:**

Written notice is required for Annual State Conventions and other General Membership Meetings. Such notice shall be mailed no later than twenty-one (21) days before such meeting to all members of record.

**Section 6.4. Quorum and Voting:**

(1) Twenty-five (25) members or ten percent (10%) of the general membership, whichever is less, constitutes a quorum for General Membership Meetings.

(2) Members will strive to reach decision by consensus. If a member states that consensus has failed the members shall by a majority vote determine whether

consensus has failed. Any subsequent decision by vote on the issue in that meeting must be approved by a two-thirds majority.

(3) Each member shall have one vote at any meeting. Proxies are not allowed.

(4) A quorum cannot be established or maintained, or if notice was defective, those present may proceed to consider matters on the agenda but only in an informal and advisory capacity. All matters that are required to be acted upon in such a meeting shall be deferred to the next meeting properly noticed and at which a quorum is present.

(5) For the Annual State Convention quorum and voting shall be by State and County Representatives who shall be:

- (a) All current members of State and County Coordinating Committees (not to exceed five for each County Coordinating Committee), plus
- (b) Such number of at-large representatives from each County, in proportion to the current members from that county, as shall be determined at the previous Annual State Convention. There shall be no fractional at-large representatives. For example, there may be one at-large representative from each full fifty (50) current Party members.

#### **Section 6.5. Order of Business and Rules:**

(1) The order of business of all meetings of the general membership, Coordinating Committee, or officers shall be as follows:

- (a) Ascertain that a quorum is present;
- (b) Ascertain that proper notice was given;
- (c) Reading/summary of minutes of previous meeting;
- (d) Reports of coordinators, officers, and committees, as applicable;
- (e) Election of officers, if applicable;
- (f) Unfinished business; and
- (g) New business.

(2) Rules relating to the conduct of the Annual State Conventions and other General Membership Meetings shall be established by the Coordinating Committee, subject to the approval by a two-thirds majority of the members present at a General Membership Meeting or Annual Convention.

(3) Rules relating to voting on candidates, the Hawai'i Green Party platform, and other matters shall be established by the Coordinating Committee, subject to approval by a two-thirds majority of the members present.

## ARTICLE VII COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS

#### **Section 7.1. County Organizations:**

**(1) There shall be a county organization of the Hawai'i Green Party in each county of the State of Hawai'i.**

**(2) Each county organization shall be governed by a County Committee composed of at least three members.**

**(3) Each County Committee shall have a Chair, or two Co-Chairs, a Recorder, a Treasurer, and a Membership Chair. One person may hold two offices.**

**Section 7.2. County Committees - Initial Creation:**

**(1) Initially, the County Committees shall be appointed by the Coordinating Committee for terms not exceeding one year.**

**(2) The Coordinating Committee may continue to appoint and reappoint the members of each County Committee until such time as the members of the Hawai'i Green Party for a given county shall adopt bylaws and elect the County Committee pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 7.3 of these Bylaws.**

**(3) Such appointed County Committees shall function in the same manner as an elected County Committee and may call and conduct Annual County Conventions and other County Membership Meetings pursuant to Section 7.5. However, such appointed County Committees are expected to work promptly toward the adoption and implementation of County Bylaws.**

**Section 7.3. Adoption of County Bylaws and Election of County Committee by County Membership:**

**(1) At any time, twenty (20) or more members of the Hawai'i Green Party in a given county may call a caucus of the membership for that county to adopt County Bylaws and elect a County Committee. Notice of such caucus shall be by mail in the manner prescribed by Section 6.3 of these Bylaws. Costs of such notice and caucus shall be borne by the treasury of the county organization.**

**(2) At such caucus, the members in attendance shall adopt County Bylaws, provided that the County Bylaws are not inconsistent with these Bylaws; they may establish offices on the County Committee for that county in addition to those set forth in Section 7.1**

**(3) They shall elect members of the County Committee for terms not exceeding one year at a time.**

**Section 7.4. Duties of County Committees:**

**(1) The County Committees shall promote the growth of the Hawai'i Green Party in their respective counties.**

**(2) The County Committees shall have the authority to assist in**

- (a) the selection of candidates of the Hawai'i Green Party; and
- (b) the endorsement of candidates of other political parties by the Hawai'i Green Party.

(3) The County Committees shall be responsible for compliance with all requirements of law relating to the county committees of political parties.

(4) The County Committees shall report to the Coordinating Committee with respect to the finances and membership of their respective county organizations and with respect to such other matters as the Coordinating Committee shall require.

#### **Section 7.5 County Committee Meetings:**

(1) Each County Committee will meet not less than once per calendar quarter, and as they may otherwise decide.

(2) Each County Committee shall, to the extent practical, establish a schedule of regular County Committee meetings. The Chair or a Co-Chair shall cause notice of each regular and special committee meeting to be given to all members of the County Committee not less than seven (7) days in advance of the meeting. Emergency meetings may be called by the Chair or a Co-Chair on shorter notice, provided that at least a majority of the County Committee members either attend the meeting in person or by telephone or waive seven-days' notice.

(3) Decision making shall be made by the County Committee and not by individual County Committee members.

(4) A majority of the County Committee, participating in person or by telephone, constitutes a quorum for County Committee meetings.

(5) If a quorum cannot be established or maintained, or if notice was defective, those members who are participating may proceed to consider matters on the agenda, but only in an informal and advisory capacity. All matters that are required to be acted upon in such a meeting shall be deferred to the next properly noticed meeting and at which a quorum is present.

(6) Unless otherwise provided by the Bylaws of the County, the County Committee will attempt to reach its decisions by consensus, but upon the request of any County Committee member, it shall make decisions on the basis of majority vote if consensus cannot be reached after reasonable efforts.

#### **Section 7.6 Annual County Conventions and General Membership Meeting:**

(1) Each county organization shall provide in its Bylaws for an Annual County Convention for its entire membership, which shall be not later than March 15. Ordinarily, the county organizations shall endeavor to schedule their Annual County Conventions to precede the Annual State Convention by at least thirty (30) days, so that the county organizations may present their views to the state organization and to one another on all matters of interest to the Hawai'i Green Party in sufficient time to



allow all members adequate time to consider such matters.

(2) Each county organization may provide in its Bylaws for additional regular General County Membership Meetings.

(3) Each county organization shall provide in its Bylaws for special General County Membership Meetings on a call of no more than fifteen percent (15%) of its membership of record.

(4) Written notice is required for all Annual County Conventions and other County Membership Meetings. Such notice shall be mailed no later than twenty-one (21) days before such meeting to all members of record.

(5) Twenty-five (25) members or ten percent (10%) of the membership of record in the county, whichever is less, constitutes a quorum for all such meetings.

(6) If a quorum cannot be established or maintained, or if notice was defective, those present may proceed to consider matters on the agenda, but only in an informal and advisory capacity. All matters that are required to be acted upon in such a meeting shall be deferred to the next properly noticed meeting and at which a quorum is present.

(7) Except as may be otherwise provided in the county Bylaws, voting procedures at Annual County Conventions and other County Membership Meetings shall be as follows. Members will strive to reach decision by consensus. If a member states that consensus has failed, the members shall by a majority vote determine whether consensus has failed. Any subsequent decision by vote on the issue during that meeting must be approved by a two-thirds majority. County Bylaws may require any decision by vote to be by a majority no greater than eighty percent (80%).

(8) Each member shall have one vote at any Annual County Convention or other County Membership Meeting. Proxies are not allowed. However, the County Committee shall provide a means for mail-in voting for officers and County Bylaw amendments by members who are unable to attend an Annual County Convention or other County Membership Meeting.

#### **Section 7.7. Residual Authority and Duties of Coordinating Committee Regarding County Organizations**

(1) The Coordinating Committee may determine, after notice as provided in Section 6.4 to all members of the Hawai'i Green Party and opportunity for all party members to respond, that the party members of a given county are no longer able to function pursuant to their bylaws, or are no longer able to elect a County Committee from their membership. In such event, the Coordinating Committee shall resume the authority to appoint the County Committee as provided in Section 7.2.

(2) The Coordinating Committee may remove members of the County Committees for

good cause, namely failure to abide by requirements of the platform, Bylaws, and/or policies of the Hawai'i Green Party; failure to abide by the requirements of the election laws; and/or failure to perform the duties of office. Such removal may take place only after due notice and opportunity to be heard, except that in cases of genuine emergencies, the Coordinating Committee may immediately suspend a member of the County Committee pending a prompt hearing and determination of the grounds for removal. The Coordinating Committee shall be the sole judge of good cause in this instance.

## ARTICLE VIII FINANCE

### Section 8.1 Duties of the Coordinating Committee and the Treasurer

(1) With the assistance of the standing committee on finance, budget, and fundraising, the Coordinating Committee shall adopt policies to ensure the fiscal strength and stability of the Hawai'i Green Party and its respective county organizations.

(2) The Treasurer shall submit a detailed budget of anticipated party revenues and expenditures to the Coordinating Committee, for its review and consideration, not later than thirty days before the Annual State Convention. The proposed budget shall be presented to the Membership at the Annual State Convention for adoption or modification.

(3) The Treasurer shall also present a detailed report of the Hawai'i Green Party's revenues and expenditures for the previous year to the Annual State Convention.

(4) In consultation with the standing committee on finance, budget, and fundraising, and with the County Committees, the Coordinating Committee shall set a fee for annual dues to be paid by each member of the Hawai'i Green Party. The Coordinating Committee shall set a lower figure for dues for persons in genuine economic hardship.

(5) All dues are payable to the Hawai'i Green Party. Effective January 1, 1993, fifty percent (50%) of the dues shall be retained by the Coordinating Committee for use of the state organization, and fifty percent of the dues shall be given to the county organization of the member. The entire dues of members who do not reside in a Hawai'i county shall be retained by the state organization.

(6) All other revenues obtained by the Hawai'i Green Party shall be retained by the state or county organization that raises such funds.

## ARTICLE XIV CANDIDATE QUALIFICATION, SELECTION AND ENDORSEMENTS

### Section 9.1: Qualifications of Candidates of the Hawai'i Green Party

No person may be a candidate of the Hawai'i Green Party unless that person is a member of the Hawai'i Green Party and that person formally agrees to:

- (1) Support the platform and principles of the Hawai'i Green Party;
- (2) Be solely responsible for all financial obligations incurred by the candidate's electoral campaign;
- (3) Be solely responsible for compliance with all requirements of law for reporting campaign income and expenditures,
- (4) Accept campaign contributions only from individuals, and only within the limits established by the Coordinating Committee;
- (5) Abide by the Hawai'i statutory requirements for eligibility for payments from the Hawai'i election campaign fund;
- (6) Comply with all applicable provisions of these bylaws; and
- (7) Indemnify and hold the Hawai'i Green Party and its officers and members harmless for any claim made against the Hawai'i Green Party arising from the acts of the candidate as a candidate of the Hawai'i Green Party.

**Section 9.2. Authority of Coordinating Committee and County Committees:**

- (1) With respect to candidates for statewide public office, the Coordinating Committee of the Hawai'i Green Party shall have the sole authority to determine whether a potential candidate satisfactorily meets the requirements of Section 9.1 and whether a candidate has acted in violation of these requirements. In making such determinations, the Coordinating Committee shall consult with all County Committees of the Hawai'i Green Party.
- (2) With respect to candidates for public office that are not statewide, the Coordinating Committee and the County Committee or Committees of the Counties that the office represents, shall jointly determine whether a potential candidate satisfactorily meets the requirements of Section 9.1, and whether a candidate has acted in violation of these requirements. If either the Coordinating Committee or an affected County Committee determines that a candidate or potential candidate does not satisfactorily meet the requirements of Section 9.1, then that person shall not be a candidate of the Hawai'i Green Party. If that person is already a candidate, the Coordinating Committee may take any steps it deems necessary or desirable to cause such person to be removed as a candidate of the Hawai'i Green Party.

**Section 9.3. Endorsement of Candidates of Other Political Parties.**

- (1) With respect to candidates for statewide public office, the Coordinating Committee of the Hawai'i Green Party may, from time to time, formally endorse a candidate of another political party for public office. Such endorsements shall be made after consultation with all of the County Committees of the Hawai'i Green Party.

(2) With respect to candidates for public office that are not statewide, the Coordinating Committee and the County Committee or Committees of the counties that the office represents, may from time to time jointly decide to endorse a candidate of another political party for public office. Section 9.4. Disqualification of Candidates for Public Office and Public Officials From Holding Party Offices.

(3) Any member of the Hawai'i Green Party who becomes a candidate for public office shall immediately resign, or be deemed to have resigned, from any office that the member holds in the Hawai'i Green Party or in any county organization of the Hawai'i Green Party.

(4) Any member of the Hawai'i Green Party who becomes a public official, either elected or appointed, shall immediately resign, or be deemed to have resigned, from any office that the member holds in the Hawai'i Green Party or in any county organization of the Hawai'i Green Party.

(5) Any member of the Hawai'i Green Party who is a candidate for public office or is a public official shall remain disqualified from holding any office in the Hawai'i Green Party or in any county organization of the Hawai'i Green Party for the duration of such candidacy or tenure in office.

## ARTICLE X PARTY PLATFORM AND POLICY RESOLUTIONS

### Section 10.1. Adoption of Platform and Policy Resolutions

The Hawai'i Green Party shall adopt a platform reflecting the principles of the Hawai'i Green Party as they apply to the political conditions in the State of Hawai'i. The Hawai'i Green Party may also adopt policy resolutions addressing political issues in the Pacific, in the United States as a nation, and elsewhere.

### Section 10.2 Amendments to Platform and to Policy Resolutions

(1) Any member may propose amendments to the platform or a new platform, or a policy resolution, by presenting such proposal in writing to the standing committee on platform and policy development. If the standing committee is inactive, the member may refer the proposal in writing to the Coordinating Committee. The standing committee may prepare its own platform proposals and policy resolutions and refer them to the Coordinating Committee.

(2) Thereafter, the procedures for review and adoption of proposals for the platform and resolutions shall be the same as provided by Section 11.3 for adoption of amendments to these Bylaws.

ARTICLE XI  
ADOPTION OF BYLAWS AND AMENDMENTS

**Section 11.1 Adoption of Bylaws**

These Bylaws shall take effect upon their approval by ten or more persons who have paid Hawai'i Green Party membership dues.

**Section 11.2. Authority to Amend Bylaws**

Some or all of these Bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed, and new Bylaws may be adopted by a three-fourths majority vote at any Annual State Convention or other General Membership Meeting, as provided in this Article.

Any member or group of members may propose an amendment to the Bylaws.

**Section 11.3. Procedures for Amendment of Bylaws**

(1) A proposal to amend the Bylaws shall be in writing and presented initially to the Coordinating Committee. Within ninety (90) days after the proposal is presented to the Coordinating Committee, the Coordinating Committee shall review the proposal and refer it to the County Committees to provide the opportunity for review and comment by the Committees and the general membership of the respective counties. In making such referral, the Coordinating Committee may attach comments and recommendations, including suggestions for modification of the proposal. The County Committees and the membership shall have thirty (30) days in which to provide their comments and recommendations back to the Coordinating Committee.

(2) After providing the County Committees and the general membership with an opportunity to review and comment on the proposal, the Coordinating Committee may modify the proposal. The Coordinating Committee shall then cause the text of the proposal to accompany the notice of the next Annual State Convention or other General Membership Meeting, as provided by Section 6.3. The Coordinating Committee may include its recommendations in the notice. The member or members who made the proposal may place in the notice the original text of the proposal, if it has been modified by the Coordinating Committee, and their arguments in favor of adoption.

(3) The proposal shall then be considered by the membership at that next meeting. The proposal may be adopted as originally proposed or as modified by the Coordinating Committee, or it may be rejected. The proposal may not be adopted in a newly modified form, except for non-substantive clarifications or technical corrections that may be needed. The meeting may, however, reject the proposal and direct the Coordinating Committee to submit to the next Annual State Convention or other General Membership Meeting a modified form of the proposal for adoption.

(4) Bylaw amendments become effective at the adjournment of the meeting in which they have been adopted, unless the amendment specifically provides otherwise.

ARTICLE XII  
HAWAII STATE ELECTION LAWS AND NON-PROFIT CORPORATION ACT

**Section 12.1 Hawaii State Election Laws**

(1) The Coordinating Committee of the Hawaii Green Party is deemed to be the "Central Committee" of the Hawaii Green Party as that term is used in the Hawaii state election laws.

(2) These Bylaws are deemed to be the "rules" of the Hawaii Green Party as that term is used in the Hawaii state election laws.

**Section 12.2 Hawaii State Non-Profit Corporation Act.**

The Coordinating Committee shall designate one Co-Chair as the "President" and one Co-Chair as "Vice President" of the Hawaii Green Party, and the Recorder shall be the "Secretary," for purposes of the Hawaii State Non-Profit Corporation Act. Such designations shall in no way alter the powers or duties of any of these officers pursuant to these Bylaws, nor shall they be construed as making one Co-Chair superior to the other.

CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION OF BYLAWS AND AMENDMENTS

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING RULES WERE DULY ADOPTED BY THE HAWAII GREEN PARTY AS THE RULES OF THE HAWAII GREEN PARTY AT ITS CONVENTION ON OCTOBER 20, 1989, AND DULY AMENDED AT ITS CONVENTIONS AND GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS ON MARCH 17, 1990, JUNE 30, 1990, MAY 25, 1992, APRIL 3, 1993, AND APRIL 10, 1994.

Dated: Paia, Maui, April 10, 1994  
Karen Lofstrom, State Recorder