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COMING SOON: SIX NEW LANES FOR EWA

Aloha,

As most of you know, the State revenue picture has had a negative impact on our state budget. My colleagues and I have worked to minimize the effect on neighborhoods, schools, jobs, paychecks, and services.

On a positive note is the progress of major transportation projects I advocated for over the years. Transportation issues and traffic congestion are top priorities for our community, and the projects listed will definitely improve the traffic situation in Ewa. Please feel free to call me at 586-6360 or e-mail senespero@capitol.hawaii.gov. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Will Espero

The good news for Ewa is that roadway projects to ease traffic and improve driving in the dynamic city of Ewa are nearly complete.



NORTH SOUTH ROAD

The North South Road is currently scheduled to open for Ewa commuters by the first quarter of next year, 2010. This regional road will provide major relief for Ewa residents by providing a new access into and out of Ewa. This four-lane roadway will intersect with Kapolei Parkway and eventually have a total of six lanes.



FORT WEAVER ROAD

The expansion of Fort Weaver Road from four lanes to six lanes will be completed by Fall of this year. By this summer the widening from Renton Road to H-1 will be accessible to commuters. By fall, the broadening will reach Geiger Road. This long awaited project was funded by the Legislature in 2002.



ALOHA AINA DAY

Senator Espero joined James Campbell High School students in a community clean-up and recycling project for Earth Day.

NEW JUDICIARY COMPLEX

Joining the state office building in Kapolei are a new Department of Hawaiian Home Lands Building and a new Judiciary Complex. Family Court cases now handled at Kaahumanu Hale on Punchbowl Street will be transferred here. The Complex includes a juvenile detention facility, and is expected to open in the spring of 2010.



UH WEST OAHU

Groundbreaking for the new University of Hawaii-West Oahu campus brought the vision of a third UH campus closer to reality. Having a UH campus close to home puts the dream of higher education within reach for Leeward students both in terms of commuting and affordability. It is scheduled to open in 2011.

EWA MAKAI MIDDLE SCHOOL

Ewa youngsters will have another school to attend, thanks to funding by the Legislature in 2007. Ewa Makai Middle School expects to break ground this year, and hopefully welcome children for the 2010-2011



Politics is the great adventure of progress. I am deeply honored for the privilege of representing you in the Hawaii State Senate at this exciting time in Hawaii's history. Mahalo for your trust and confidence.