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University of Hawaii Professional Assembly (UHPA) Endorses Mazie Hirono and Tulsi Gabbard in General Election

The University of Hawaii Professional Assembly (UHPA), which endorsed Ed Case for the U.S. Senate in the primary election, announced today that it has endorsed Mazie Hirono in the general election.

"Mazie Hirono's longstanding and stellar record of fighting for public education, including higher education, as well as social and economic justice for the middle class are in clear alignment with UHPA's positions and concerns," said Adrienne Valdez, President of UHPA's Board of Directors. The union represents nearly 4,000 faculty members at 10 University of Hawaii system campuses statewide,

UHPA, which had endorsed Mufi Hannemann for U.S. Representative in the Second Congressional District in the primary election, has also endorsed Tulsi Gabbard in the general election.

"We welcome the opportunity to foster a cooperative relationship and be a strong voice for both Mazie Hirono and Tulsi Gabbard," Valdez said.

"The UHPA Board remains steadfast in its opposition to Linda Lingle. We believe if she is elected to Congress, she will vote with the Republicans who are doing their best to undermine President Obama's many achievements," said Valdez.

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About University of Hawaii Professional Assembly

The University of Hawaii Professional Assembly (UHPA) represents nearly 4,000 faculty members at 10 campuses in the University of Hawaii system statewide. It has been the exclusive bargaining agent for all UH faculty since 1974.



