

## **Rick's Top Priorities As Mayor**

### **1. Rebuilding Honolulu's economy after COVID-19.**

This will be my single highest priority as Mayor. I bring a lifetime of successful experience working turnaround challenges, and rebuilding failing businesses. We need clear, decisive leadership to restore confidence and get more and more people back to work.

### **2. Stronger action to help the homeless.**

This includes a "tough love" approach to street enforcement, but also means we need to build treatment and housing facilities for the drug addicted and mentally ill, who truly can't take care of themselves. And we need more community partnerships to aid and house families. No one should ever be penalized for being poor.

### **3. Get real on rail.**

I believe in the goals of rail transit, but we need a total reality check on the actual costs to complete the full route. This is not the time for wishful thinking or empty promises, and I will not raise property taxes for the sake of the project. HART must be 100% accountable and stop wasting money.

### **4. Fast-tracking housing projects locals can afford.**

We need responsible development, but our old approach to creating affordable housing is not working. I will streamline the planning and permitting process to save time and money for builders, and get construction underway faster.

### **5. Neighborhood safety and First Responders.**

Our sense of security in our community has changed dramatically, following an alarming rise in neighborhood crime. I will support and fund our first responders: police, firefighters, EMTs and ocean safety officers, so they can do their jobs to protect us all.