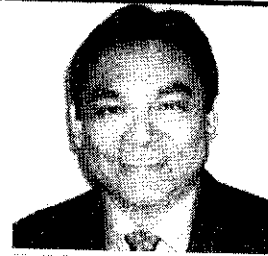


**Time for leadership...
Time for change....
Time for Dominic Yagong**



Aloha Council District 1,

My late father Basilio Yagong Sr. always told me that "you cannot argue with the truth." In Mr. Holschuh's advertisement on September 17th, he attempted to spin the truth and it exposed the stark differences between him and me when it comes to public service. For that, I sincerely thank him.

Regarding the People of Ookala

FACT: The issue regarding the proposed heavy industrial Veneer Mill/ Co-generation Power Plant is very simple. It is not appropriate to build such an industry in the middle of ANY RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY. I don't support the proposed site, whereas Holschuh has publicly stated "I'm in favor of Tradewind's plans for the Ookala mill site."

FACT: 71% of the homeowners in Ookala have willingly signed a petition in opposition to building the Veneer Mill / Power Plant in the proposed site. Mr. Holschuh has stated that he has "spoken to Tradewinds about re-locating the site, but the investment of time, money, permitting, etc. would make this virtually impossible."

What about the lifetime investments made by the families of Ookala? Has Mr. Holschuh thought about the roots that have been planted by the residents, and the choices and sacrifices they have made in calling Ookala their home? His support of this proposed veneer site will dramatically impact the quality of life of this peaceful neighborhood, and yet his sympathy sways to the developer because of the time and money invested. Mr. Holschuh needs to be reminded that he was elected to serve the best interest of the people and our community. Tradewinds did not elect him, the people did.

FACT: If elected, I would support the efforts to build a veneer mill in an appropriate location. If elected, I would begin to work with the private industry to locate an appropriate location AWAY FROM ANY RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY. I pledge to support the rezoning application that would come before the Council. There is enough land away from residential communities to accomplish this.

This is what Mr. Holschuh should have done while on the Council for the past four years. Leaders mitigate community concerns by finding solutions, not by accepting excuses of developers. The solution has been, and will always be that an appropriate location must be selected for this industrial business. I would not turn my back on the people that elected me to serve.

Active in the Community

FACT: Where did I get the impression that Mr. Holschuh has not been visible and active in the community? From the people he represents. One of the biggest complaints expressed to me throughout the district is "Mr. Holschuh doesn't come around to meet with the community."

I am glad that he wants to argue this point because it isn't me that he has to convince. Everyone reading this letter will ask themselves, "In the past four years, how many times has Mr. Holschuh come to my community to hear our concerns and help to find solutions?" You see, the answer to that question is the foundation of why the people of our district feels disconnected with County government and our elected official.

Regarding Leadership

FACT: Finance, Public Works, Planning, Environmental Management, Parks & Recreation, and Housing are considered key departments with significant budgets that dictate the direction of County Government. Mr. Holschuh is on the Council Majority, and yet he does not lead as chairman on any of the above committees. Why?

I served on the County Council for six years and I understand the process of selecting Committee Chairman's. There are two conclusions that can be reached. 1. Mr. Holschuh chooses not to take a leadership role in any of these significant committees. 2. The Council majority did not offer a leadership role to Mr. Holschuh in any of these important committees. Either way, our district loses. The Chairman of these committees has tremendous influence on the development of projects, introduction of laws, and funding priorities. Since I left office in 2002, the County of Hawaii Operating Budget increased spending by \$119 million dollars. Where are the improvements in Council District 1? We need effective leadership that will bring our fair share of taxes back to Council District 1.

I sincerely enjoyed representing the people of our District as Councilmember from 1996-2002. I would consider it an honor and a privilege to serve you once again. Rest assure, I will do my very best to bring government back to the people and insure that you have a strong voice on the Hawaii County Council. I humbly ask for your vote and support on Primary Election Day this Saturday.

Warmest Aloha,

Dominic Yagong

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rape case involving four
S. Marines as squabbles
between the accuser and
prosecutors broke out at
the emotional trial.
The 22-year-old Fili-
no woman has testified
at Lance Cpl. Daniel
Smith of St. Louis raped
her in a van on Nov. 1 at
Subic Bay freeport, a
former U.S. Naval base,
while three other Marines
abused her. If con-
firmed, all four face a max-
imum of 40 years in jail.
Last week, Smith
described in detail that the
rape was consensual, while
the woman has said she
was too drunk to resist.
The woman's mother
accused prosecu-
tors of incompetence and
argued the lead prosecu-
tor had tried to talk her
into pressing her daughter
to agree a deal with U.S.
authorities.

**Violent storms lash
Bangladesh**

CHAKA, Bangladesh
— Storms in Ban-
gladesh and India left at
least 65 dead and hundreds
missing as they capsized
boats, toppled houses and
cut away roads, news
agencies and officials said
Wednesday.
Rescuers recovered at
least 19 bodies Wednesday
along the Bay of Bengal
after sudden storms
hit Bangladesh's southern
coast, the reports said.
Hundreds of people,
including a naval com-
mander, were missing
after the storms started
Tuesday, the United
Nations of Bangladesh said.
The coast guard
deployed helicopters to
search for Lt. Cmdr. Firoz
Zaman, the report said, add-
ing that search and rescue
operations were being
hampered by the continu-
ed bad weather.
In India, torrential rains
and floods killed at least
10 people over the past
three days in the south-
ern state of Andhra
Pradesh, officials said.
At least 10 people died when
houses collapsed or
were swept away by flood
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