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COUNCILMEMBER DJOU: FINALLY, ISLANDWIDE CURBSIDE RECYCLING TO BE ROLLED OUT

Honolulu City Councilmember Charles K. Djou (Waikiki, East Honolulu) reacted to Mayor Mufi Hannemann's plan to finally implement an island-wide curbside recycling program.

"While I compliment the mayor for announcing three more neighborhoods will receive curbside recycling by year-end, I am disappointed that the mayor is not implementing curbside recycling to all neighborhoods until 2010. I have been a long-time proponent of getting curbside recycling done island-wide as a key part of dealing with the City's growing garbage problem," stated Councilmember Djou. "With Oahu's limited landfill space and beautiful natural environment, the lack of an islandwide curbside recycling program is not just a 'nice-to-have' but an absolutely must-have for all neighborhoods," Djou added.

In the 2006 election, voters overwhelmingly instructed the City to institute a curbside recycling program. Mayor Hannemann was the third mayor in Honolulu history to launch a "pilot" recycling project. Plans were announced today by the mayor that implementation of an island-wide curbside recycling program won't reach all neighborhoods until 2010. The City and County of Honolulu remains the largest city in the nation without a comprehensive countywide curbside recycling program.

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