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COUNCIL CHAIRMAN IKAIKA ANDERSON CLOSES LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

On behalf of the Honolulu City Council, Council Chairman Ikaika Anderson today announced that the entire legislative branch will be closed Monday, July 27, to ensure the public safety and welfare of our city employees.

Currently, O‘ahu remains under a hurricane warning with maximum sustained winds of 85 mph and Hurricane Douglas is expected to pass over the island later today. Due to the latest and evolving forecasts from the Central Pacific Hurricane Center, Chair Anderson decided to close the legislative branch out of an abundance of caution to ensure public safety.

“Right now, we need to focus on safeguarding our homes, our families and friends. It’s imperative that we all shelter in place and avoid any traveling,” said Chairman Anderson. “Members of our City ‘ohana must do the same. Please stay home, stay safe and take care.”

The legislative branch includes the Honolulu City Council, the Office of the City Clerk, Office of the City Auditor, and the Office of Council Services. All legislative branch employees will be granted eight hours of administrative leave, subject to approval of their respective supervisors.

The City Clerk also announced that the Voter Service Centers at Honolulu Hale and Kapolei Hale will be closed July 27 due to the storm. The centers will re-open when conditions permit.

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