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**KAI KAHELE ISSUES STATEMENT ON IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY OF
PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP**

[HONOLULU] – State Senator Kai Kahele, a democratic candidate for Hawai‘i’s 2nd Congressional District, issued a statement today regarding the U.S. House of Representatives formal impeachment inquiry of President Donald J. Trump:

“I stand with Hawai‘i leaders Senator Brian Schatz, Senator Mazie Hirono and Representative Ed Case and support their decision of an official impeachment inquiry. I also applaud House Speaker Nancy Pelosi for taking the first step to hold the President accountable for his corrupt actions and reckless behavior. The President’s abuse of power has compromised the integrity of our democracy and put our national security and election security at risk. Now is the time for Congress to fulfill its constitutional duty to serve as a check and balance on this administration.”

Kahele is a lieutenant colonel in the Hawai‘i Air National Guard and decorated combat veteran with multiple deployments to both Iraq and Afghanistan since 2005. He has flown 108 combat sorties, logged 3,075 hours of military flight time, commanded C-17 combat missions and is the recipient of the Air Medal, Meritorious Service Medal and the Air Force Commendation Medal. He has previously been named both Pacific Air Forces Guard Officer of the Year and Hawai‘i Air National Guard Officer of the Year. He is assigned to the 201st Air Mobility Operations Squadron at Hickam Air Force Base.

Kahele currently serves as Majority Floor Leader and Chairman of the Committee on Water and Land in the Hawai‘i State Senate, where he represents his hometown of Hilo.

Hawai‘i’s 2nd Congressional District encompasses Hawai‘i Island, Maui, Kaho‘olawe, Moloka‘i, Lāna‘i, Kaua‘i, Ni‘ihau and the rural parts of O‘ahu, including Waimanālo, Kailua, Kāne‘ohe, the North Shore, and the Leeward Coast.

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