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REGISTRATION DEADLINE TO FILE AS A DELEGATE CANDIDATE FOR THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN 'AHA IS SEPTEMBER 15

HONOLULU – Na'i Aupuni wants to remind all Native Hawaiians certified by Kana'iolowalu, the Native Hawaiian Roll, that the deadline to file as a delegate candidate to the Native Hawaiian constitutional convention, or 'Aha, is Sept. 15. Candidates may file their nominations online at www.naiaupuni.org.

Na'i Aupuni, an independent organization made up of a volunteer board of directors from the Hawaiian community, was established solely to create a path to Hawaiian self-determination.

Delegate candidates must live in the area in which they run and will be elected by voters in that area. Delegates will be apportioned as indicated below:

O'ahu – Represented by 20 delegates.

Hawai'i Island – Represented by 7 delegates.

Maui – Represented by 3 delegates.

Kaua'i & Ni'ihau – Represented by 2 delegates.

Moloka'i & Lana'i – Represented by 1 delegate.

Out-of-state Hawaiians – Represented by 7 delegates.

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The timeline of the delegate election process is:

Sept. 15: Deadline to file as a delegate.

Sept. 30: List of qualified delegates announced.

Oct. 15: Voter registration closes.

Nov. 1: Ballots for election of delegates sent to certified voters.

Nov. 30: Delegate voting ends.

Dec. 1: Election results announced publicly.

Na'i Aupuni not only encourages Hawaiians who want to run in the election for convention delegates to sign up, but encourages all Hawaiians to register to vote in the election itself. Hawaiians who have not yet registered can do so at the Native Hawaiian Roll Commission's website (www.kanaiolowalu.org) or at the Office of Hawaiian Affairs website (www.oha.org/registry). Information about the election process can be found at www.naiaupuni.org or by emailing naiaupuni@election-america.com.

About Na'i Aupuni

Na'i Aupuni is an independent organization made up of a volunteer board of directors from the Hawaiian community. It exists solely to help establish a path for Hawaiian self-determination and is guiding an election, convention and ratification process where all Hawaiians who wish to participate can be heard. Na'i Aupuni was formed in December 2014 and is separate and independent from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and the State of Hawaii. For further information about Na'i Aupuni and the upcoming elections, please visit <http://www.naiaupuni.org/>.

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