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A Message from Senator Norman Sakamoto

Every Person Should Conserve Our Resources

Every person should conserve our resources: When I think of EPSCoR, I think of using our resources wisely. Resources of several types come to mind:

- Environmental resources—our *aina*, our sea, our air, our environment, our Hawaii, and our planet earth, all need to be cherished and preserved.
- Financial resources—research dollars, equipment, facilities, and staff are limited and need to be utilized for maximum gain.
- Intellectual resources—our ideas, realistic or not, theories, hypotheses, and strategies, will expand our knowledge base and man's ability to think.
- Faith—the spiritual resources, such as the passion within, social consciousness, need for justice, proving one's worth, desire to seek the truth within us that drive us to expand our horizons and seek the yet unsought, to prove the unproven, or to ponder the unthinkable.

EPSCoR Hawaii under the guiding hand of Chancellor Rose Tseng has created and will continue to create and nurture opportunities to stretch and strengthen our environmental, financial, intellectual and spiritual resources through the National Science Foundation's Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR).

It is incumbent on us to ensure that as we continue to develop these opportunities, we strive to bear in mind that we are providing Hawaii with a basis of its knowledge-based economy, so that those who engage in research here in Hawaii will have the best tools to work with much the same as they have the best place in which to conduct their work.

As an interested observer, I am convinced that each dollar that flows through EPSCoR Hawaii will reap bountiful rewards for our university community, our business community, our Hawaii community, and our global community. Let us work together to assure success.

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