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Message from U.S. Senator Brian Schatz Presented in Recognition of the

2017 Youth Leadership Summit for Sustainable Development Hawai'i Youth Delegates

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I extend my personal greetings of *aloha* and congratulations to Hawai'i's youth delegates to the 2017 Youth Leadership Summit for Sustainable Development.

Each year, the Youth Leadership Summit for Sustainable Development helps young leaders from around the globe gain valuable skills to build a more sustainable world. Through hands-on learning, teamwork, and mentorship, you will learn about best practices in sustainability and create action plans to implement lessons learned. In this year's Summit, your work will be instrumental in the launching of the TouchStone Leadership Platform, an initiative to promote Green Workforce Development Courses throughout your communities.

Congratulations to Benjamin Zingg, Macartney Biegler, Tania duPont, and Elijah Anakelea-Buckley on being selected as Hawai'i's delegates to this Summit. I hope that you will use this opportunity to grow as leaders and continue your work in environmental conservation and sustainability. Best wishes for a productive and memorable Summit.

Mahalo,

Brian Schatz

United States Senator