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Forwarding everyone this month's Capitol Connection. Lots of great stories on the work David and the administration have done in the first two years of his term. Please read and share.

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A future-focused public school system. A strong, innovation-driven economy. Living wage jobs fueled by local talent. A chance for our children to live in a sustainable Hawai'i -- in housing they can afford. In the second year of our administration, we've accomplished much to move our shared vision forward. This report includes **10** of the ways we're making progress - with actions, not just words - now and for future generations. Here is a little preview:

BUILDING MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING

- More housing units for local residents
- Planning launched for a new future in Kalihi
- More homestead lots for Native Hawaiian families ([Read more](#))

TRANSFORMING EDUCATION FOR THE 21st CENTURY

- New Blueprint for empowered schools and student success
- Continuing efforts to cool classrooms
- More UH students graduating on time ([Read more](#))

MOVING FORWARD ON TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION

- Listening to community input, then leading
- More improvements to improve traffic congestion

- Modernizing airports and harbors ([Read more](#))

GROWING A STRONG ECONOMY -- NOW AND FOR THE FUTURE

- Building on record tourism and international business development
- Bigger investment in innovation for higher-wage jobs ([Read more](#))

PROTECTING HAWAII'S ENVIRONMENT AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

- Developed the Governor's Sustainable Hawai'i Initiative
- Stewarding Natural Resources Mauka to Makai
- Emphasizing public access to state parks Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument expanded ([Read more](#))

EXPANDING AGRICULTURE: GROWING LOCAL, BUYING LOCAL

- Agriculture expanded statewide
- State's first Hawai'i Interagency Biosecurity Plan developed ([Read more](#))

MANAGING BETTER, SMARTER: SAVING DOLLARS, IMPROVING SERVICES

- Improved state bond rating to save millions
- Tax System Modernization (TSM) Project to improve efficiency
- State going "paperless" to improve services ([Read more](#))

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