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MAYOR WILLIAM P. KENOI INDICTED FOR FELONY THEFT

HONOLULU – Today a Hawaii Island grand jury indicted Hawaii County Mayor William P. Kenoi for two counts of felony theft, two additional counts of misdemeanor theft, three counts of tampering with a government record and one count of false swearing. The charges arose from alleged conduct taking place from 2011 through 2015 while Mayor Kenoi was in office.

The charges are:

Counts 1 and 2: **Theft in the Second Degree**, Class C felonies each punishable by up to five years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Counts 3 and 4: **Theft in the Third Degree**, misdemeanors each punishable by up to one year in jail and a \$2,000 fine.

Counts 5, 6 and 7: **Tampering with a Government Record**, misdemeanors each punishable by up to one year in jail and a \$2,000 fine.

Count 8: **False Swearing**, a petty misdemeanor punishable by up to 30 days in jail and a \$1,000 fine.

Attorney General Doug Chin said “The Department of the Attorney General sought this indictment after an intensive investigation that lasted almost a year. I thank the investigators and prosecutors for their efforts.”

An indictment is a finding of probable cause and is not a criminal conviction. Mayor Kenoi is presumed innocent unless and until he is found guilty of the charges beyond a reasonable doubt.

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