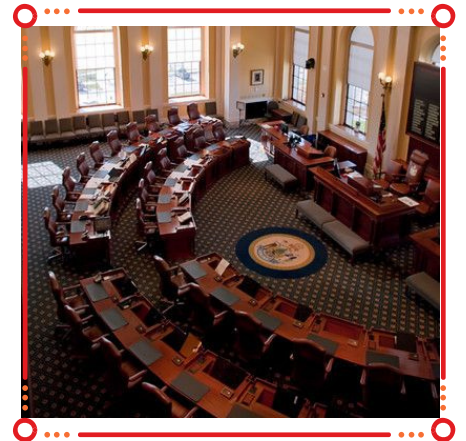


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As of yesterday afternoon, Hama'Lu's new government officials have been chosen through the two-yearly sortition. They were inaugurated at the city hall in Platina that evening.

With Hama'Lu's mostly young and politically eager population, the number of participants reached an all-time high this year. More than 600 000 Hama'Luans (which is around 5% of the population) had sent in their application to become a part of the Hama'Lu government. Nobody had expected this outcome.

Meet your new government officials

Out of the 600 000 participants, 20 lucky people got handpicked by our A.I., Mea'Koho — which is responsible for our government sortition ever since its development by the Alike sisters decades ago. From 20 names, there were a couple that caused quite a stir among the Hama'Luans.

Olina Aukai, one of Hama'Lu's famous rowing champions, has been chosen to become our head of **Foreign Affairs**. "After my injury last summer, I decided to take a leap and try my hand at being a politician. I always looked up to my grandmother, who was head of defence, and wanted to follow in her footsteps", said Aukai.

Fans of the athlete and colleagues from all over the world were quick to support the decision and wished her luck in her career switch. One tweet from user @olinasnumberonefan said, "Mea'Koho made such a good choice with Aukai as our head of Foreign Affairs. I couldn't imagine a better and more qualified person than her. I will always support Olina and couldn't be prouder of her."

Kiele Urima was the second name to cause a gasp after his selection. The CEO of one of the biggest jewellery companies in Hama'Lu got selected to be the head of **Internal Affairs**. He is known all over the country for being one of Hama'Lu most eligible bachelors. Nobody will forget the moment when he appeared in the MONTGOMERY 30 UNDER 30 list. "I wanted to do something more with my life. My friends and family were the ones who urged me to apply for a government position. I still can't believe I was chosen. I will do my absolute best to make my country proud", said Urima, after the inauguration.

Last but surely not least is **Kealoha Wailani**, our new head of **Climate and Environment**. Wailani is known for being one of the founders of the "GO GREEN!". It's an organisation that tries to educate people about environmentally friendly ways to live your life. "I couldn't be happier than I am right now. I didn't think I would end up getting elected, but I was! Hama'Lu is about to get even greener than before!"

The three of them together with their 17 other colleagues are eager to start working and make a difference for our country.

What will they do?

Hama'Lu's new government has yet to sit down to talk about their plans and goals for the future of the country, but they are excited to start making a difference. "We are having a meeting tomorrow about how we are going to handle things in Hama'Lu. We plan on continuing on with the projects started by our predecessors. I think I can speak for us all that finding alternative ways for energy will still be a top priority. We won't stop until we have discovered something to make Hama'Lu even better", said Wailani.