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### **“Local Jobs for Local People” Takes to the Streets** Afternoon Rally Tuesday – Labor and Business Come Together

Honolulu, Hawaii (August 17, 2009) - The “Local Jobs for Local People” call to action first heard from the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades District Council 50 in a pointed, documentary-style commercial last week is taking to the streets.

Tomorrow, Tuesday, August 18, 2009, District Council 50 will be joined by unions, private business members and concerned citizens of Hawaii in the first “Local Job for Local People” rally to be held in front of the State Capitol from 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

“This is the beginning of the ‘Local Jobs for Local People’ movement,” says Lynn Kinney, leader of District Council 50. “District Council 50 organized this initial rally and bought the airtime to get the ‘Local Jobs for Local People’ message out. What’s happening at Aloha Stadium is just a symptom. Hotels are being remodeled by workers and companies from the mainland. And now we see government jobs being sent to the mainland and our people sent to the scrap yard of unemployment.”

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Allen Wong, president of the Painter’s Union and delegate for District Council 50 added, “We hope that the people of Hawaii will join us so we can build a real movement ‘Local Jobs for Local People’.”

The International Union of Painters and Allied Trades is a labor union of 140,000 plus men and women across the United States and Canada who are committed to providing the finest craftsmanship in the collective trades. Locally, District Council 50 was formed in 1999 and is comprised of painters, glaziers, architectural metal and glassworkers, carpet, linoleum and soft tile installers and drywall finishers and tapers. DC50 is more than 2,000 strong in the state of Hawaii. Visit their website at [www.DC50.org](http://www.DC50.org).

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