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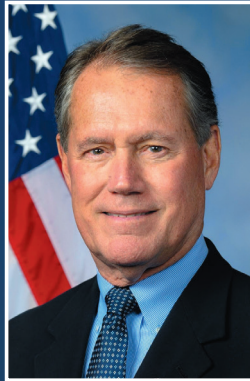
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Our Hawai'i has one of the highest percentages of residents age 65+, and our kūpuna community continues to grow. I report to you again on some of my related efforts in Congress, and offer to assist you however I can.

Lowering Prescription Drug Costs. Because of 2022's Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), which I strongly supported, starting in January 2026 the costs of several key prescription medicines for those on Medicare will be reduced for the first time ever. More about what drugs will have lower costs is at www.LowerDrugCosts.gov.

Medicare Cost Savings Coming Soon. Also through the IRA, Congress imposed a \$2,000/yr. cap on out-of-pocket drug costs for Medicare prescription drug plan enrollees. You can also sign up for a monthly payment plan for these costs.

Protecting Social Security. The Social Security Administration announced a 2.5% cost-of-living increase in benefits for 2025 following 2024's 3.2% increase. While inflation has eased, this increase is still not enough for too many. To help, I cosponsored the Social Security 2100 Act to assure the solvency of the Social Security Trust Fund while improving benefits, and through my Appropriations Committee we are providing over \$1 billion/year for Senior Nutrition Programs for those needing more help.

Helping You And Yours. Please contact me anytime at ed.case@mail.house.gov or 808-650-6688 if we can provide further information or assistance. More info: www.case.house.gov or scan this code.

I remain committed to the health and welfare of you and your 'ohana, and wish you the best of the holiday season.

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