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**COOK ISLANDS PARLIAMENTARY GENERAL ELECTION 2026**  
**CANDIDATES DULY NOMINATED TO CONTEST IN THE ELECTION**

**PURSUANT** to Section 36 of the Electoral Act 2004, **I, TAGGY TANGIMETUA**, Chief Electoral Officer, **HEREBY GIVE NOTICE** of the candidates duly nominated to contest the Cook Islands Parliamentary Election and their respective political affiliation for each constituency, as set out below:

**KIA TAU** ki te Tuanga 36 o te Ture Ikianga 2004, **KO AU, KO TAGGY TANGIMETUA**, Akaaere Maata o te Ikianga, **TE AKAKITE NEI** i te ingoa o te au tangata tei nominetiia no te tu atu ki roto i te Ikianga Mema Paramani, pera to ratou pirianga pati porotiki i roto i te tuanga ikianga tatakitali I raro nei:

| <i><b>Constituency<br/>Tuanga Ikianga</b></i> | <i><b>Candidate Nominated<br/>Mema te Nomineti ia</b></i> | <i><b>Political Party<br/>Pati Porotiki</b></i> |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Tupapa Maraerenga                             | DROLLETT Edward Victor                                    | Democratic Party                                |
|                                               | WILLIAMS Rota Tama                                        | Cook Islands United Party                       |
|                                               | WILLIE Tamaiti Maru                                       | Cook Islands Party                              |
| Takuvaiane                                    | BROWN Mark                                                | Cook Islands Party                              |
|                                               | HOSKING-ASHFORD Davina Hina<br>Te Raurea Joan             | Democratic Party                                |
|                                               | TUARA Venetia Mere Jacqueline                             | Cook Islands United Party                       |
| Avatiu Ruatonga<br>Palmerston                 | NICHOLAS Albert Taaviri Kaitara                           | Cook Islands Party                              |
|                                               | RONGO Teina                                               | Cook Islands United Party                       |
| Nikao-Panama                                  | KELLY Te Tuhi Tauratumaruru                               | Progressive Party                               |
|                                               | MOKOROA Vaine Makiroa                                     | Cook Islands Party                              |
|                                               | MUNOKOA Ngamau Mere (Macan)                               | Cook Islands United Party                       |
| Ruaau                                         | HEATHER William (Smiley)                                  | Democratic Party                                |
|                                               | VARU Tim Tunui                                            | Cook Islands United Party                       |
|                                               | WICHMAN Arama Joseph                                      | Cook Islands Party                              |
| Akaoa                                         | HEATHER Robert Stanley                                    | Cook Islands United Party                       |
|                                               | TANGIMETUA Teakaau Tex                                    | Cook Islands Party                              |



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|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Murienua                                      | BAKER Nooroa                                              | Cook Islands Party                              |
|                                               | HEATHER Teariki William                                   | Cook Islands United Party                       |
|                                               | MATAROA Samuel                                            | Democratic Party                                |
| Titikaveka                                    | IRO Elizabeth                                             | Cook Islands United Party                       |
|                                               | IVAITI Sholan                                             | Democratic Party                                |
|                                               | WILLIAMS Sonny                                            | Cook Islands Party                              |
| Ngatangiia                                    | AMA Tukaka George Tamarua                                 | Cook Islands Party                              |
|                                               | DENNY Christopher Robert                                  | Progressive Party                               |
|                                               | IOTEVA Mapi                                               | Cook Islands United Party                       |
|                                               | MAOATE Itinga                                             | Democratic Party                                |
| Matavera                                      | NGAMATA Taneao                                            | Cook Islands United Party                       |
|                                               | TAUTU Aneru Andrew                                        | Cook Islands Party                              |
|                                               | TUPA Vaitoti                                              | Democratic Party                                |
| Amuri Ureia                                   | HENRY Nicholas Royle                                      | Independent                                     |
|                                               | ISAMAELA Toanui                                           | Cook Islands Party                              |
|                                               | MAOATE Terepai                                            | Democratic Party                                |
|                                               | NICHOLLS Tumutoa Teariki                                  | Cook Islands United Party                       |
| Arutanga Reureu<br>Nikaupara                  | BISHOP Tekura Moeroa                                      | Independent                                     |
|                                               | HENRY Maitoe                                              | Cook Islands United Party                       |
|                                               | KAVANA Tereapii Maki                                      | Cook Islands Party                              |
| Vaipae Tautu                                  | GEORGE Teariki Reva                                       | Democratic Party                                |
|                                               | HERMAN Teokotai James                                     | Cook Islands Party                              |
|                                               | TANGUA Teariki Kureta                                     | Cook Islands United Party                       |
| Oneroa                                        | KAREROA Wesley                                            | Democratic Party                                |
|                                               | POILA-MOKOROA Rimmel                                      | Independent                                     |
|                                               | TEARII Teina                                              | Cook Islands Party                              |
| Ivirua<br>( <i><b>uncontested</b></i> )       | ARMSTRONG Agnes Helen                                     | Independent                                     |



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|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Tamarua                                       | MATAPO Tetangi                                            | Independent                                     |
|                                               | NGATOKORUA Ngatamaroa                                     | Cook Islands Party                              |
| Teenui-Mapumai                                | BROWN-TOKI Vainetutai Rose                                | Independent-Enuamanu                            |
|                                               | KORONUI Charles Amaru                                     | Independent                                     |
| Tengatangi-Areora-<br>Ngatiarua               | BROWN Te-Hani Rose Alexandra                              | Independent-Enuamanu                            |
|                                               | WICHMAN Puai Tane                                         | Independent                                     |
| Mauke                                         | BEER James Vini                                           | Independent                                     |
|                                               | MATAPO Stephen Tikitau                                    | Independence Party                              |
| Mitiaro                                       | MURARE Makara                                             | Cook Islands United Party                       |
|                                               | TANGATAPOTO Tuakeu                                        | Cook Islands Party                              |
|                                               | ALLSWORTH Paul Raui Pokoati                               | Democratic Party                                |
| Rakahanga                                     | BROWNE Tina Pupuke                                        | Democratic Party                                |
|                                               | TEINAKI Levi Hitarahera                                   | Cook Islands Party                              |
| Manihiki                                      | ANGENE George Maggie                                      | Independent                                     |
|                                               | PUNA Akaiti                                               | Cook Islands Party                              |
|                                               | WILLIAM Puapii                                            | Independent                                     |
| Pukapuka-Nassau                               | ELIKANA Tingika                                           | Cook Islands Party                              |
|                                               | NIO Dr Kirianu                                            | Independent                                     |
| Penrhyn                                       | TAPAITAU Sarakura                                         | Independent                                     |
|                                               | WICHMAN Vaine                                             | Cook Islands Party                              |

**DATED** at Rarotonga this 13th day of July 2026.

Taggy Tangimetua  
**CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER**