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### **BLUE PLANET FOUNDATION'S JEFF MIKULINA HONORED WITH FIRST- EVER LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS' COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD**

Blue Planet Foundation's executive director, Jeff Mikulina, will receive a first-time \$5,000 community service award tomorrow night, Nov. 13, from the League of Women Voters. The inaugural Donald and Astrid Monson Community Action award is presented to an organization or individual who has made outstanding contributions toward public interest planning, housing or environmental issues. Mikulina plans to donate the \$5,000 back to community groups, and will announce the beneficiaries at the awards dinner.

"I am humbled to receive the Donald and Astrid Monson Community Action award. Our environmental achievements over the past decade would not have been possible without the many individuals and community groups who supported our initiatives," said Mikulina. "I look forward to continuing to work closely with the community to help drive a clean energy revolution in Hawai'i."

Mikulina is receiving the award for his decade of accomplishments at the Sierra Club of Hawai'i, where he served prior to joining Blue Planet Foundation. At the Sierra Club, Mikulina was instrumental in the passing of legislation setting caps on Hawai'i's greenhouse gas emissions, making solar water heating a standard feature on new homes, and increasing the funding of natural resource conservation and management through tourism taxes.

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The reception honoring the late Donald and Astrid Monson and first-time recipient Mikulina will be held on Nov. 13, 2008, from 5-8 p.m. at the Honolulu Elks Club. Tickets are \$50 per person and include pupus, a cocktail, live music, and valet parking. For reservations, contact the League of Women Voters of Honolulu at (808) 531-7448 or email [Voters@LWV-Hawaii.com](mailto:Voters@LWV-Hawaii.com).

The Blue Planet Foundation is a non-profit organization created to change our world's energy culture, to raise global awareness in order to develop and adopt practical programs to implement clean, efficient, and renewable energy and to create a global response to our increasingly urgent climate crisis.

For more information on the Blue Planet Foundation, visit [www.blueplanetfoundation.org](http://www.blueplanetfoundation.org).

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