

MERI TE AOURU TIPENE

Ko Tararua Te Maunga
Ko Mangatainoka te Awa
Ko Te Kohanga Whakawhaiti Te Marae
Ko Pahiatua raua ko Mangatainoka oku kainga.
Ko Tamaki Nui A Rua o Kahungunu toku Taiwhenua

Now is the time for a change in leading our people of Tamaki Nui A Rua to the road of greater opportunity and self determination. Let us be together as the Whanau of Tamaki Nui A Rua, to strategically plan and nurture the ground work and wisdom of our Tupuna that has yet to be completely actioned.

My father 'Apotoro Apiata Tipene' said to me in one of our many talks,

"When you give from the heart you will receive more than you gave"

I offer myself and all my experience, qualities and skills from my teaching, administrative and family background to lead our Taiwhenua for the next three years. I will represent you all with full commitment and dedication, ensuring that your needs are foremost, your voices are heard, and I will listen carefully to your calls. I will give from my heart and my soul and in turn I know I will receive your blessing, support and confidence, for me to do what is right and true for our Rohe.

He aha te mea nui o te ao? Maku a ki atu. HE TANGATA, HE TANGATA, HE TANGATA.

**"If you should ask me, what is the greatest thing in this world, I would answer,
'tis people 'tis people, 'tis people**