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E nga kaumatua, e nga kuia o Te Hau Kainga , nga kähui rangatira o Te Tai Tokerau, e nga mātua, taiohi mā, mokopuna mā, he mihi tēnei ki a koutou i awhi mai, i tautoko mai i ahau i te tau kua pahure nei.

Nā to koutou kaha, nā to koutou pono kua para te huarahi mo te rōpu torangapū o Mana i roto i te whare paremata, kua ea tera moemoea aiane. I tīmata tēnei hīkoi i mua i ahau . Kua takahia e Ngai Tāua i nga rori mai Te Rerenga Wairua ki Pōneke i te tau 1975 mō te Hikoi Whenua Māori; anō i te tau 2004 mō te Pire Tahae Takutai Moana. Ahakoa nga piki me nga heke, i reira koutou te manaaki i ahau me taku whanau i taku wehenga i te Paati Maori i te marama o Pepuere i tenei tau. Hareruia! Kua whai ao inaiane.

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Special thanks to our kaumatua and kuia, my friends, our rangatahi and our mokopuna who have supported me this year. Due to your support and belief, MANA has entered parliament. This movement began before me. We walked the roads from Te Rerenga Wairua to Wellington in 1975 for Māori land and in 2004 for the Foreshore and Seabed. And through it all you were there to support me and my whānau in my move away from the Māori Party in February 2011. Hareruia - a new dawn!

I especially want to thank the volunteers throughout the electorate from Waitākere to Te Hāpua - those kaumatua and kuia who travelled with me to many hui; the crews who erected and re-erected my billboards after they were knocked down; the door knockers; the multi-texters; and the bro-drivers who carted voters to polling booths; and my friends who growled me when I needed it.

I return to parliament 20th December and hope to represent the many views and needs of Te Tai Tokerau in the future.

heoi ano

kia pai te wā whanau , manaaki a tātou mokopuna

Hone Harawira Mana MP Tai Tokerau