

Michael Te Wake

Waihou Marae



**Te Waiariki, Ngāti Manawa, Te Kaitūtae, Tao Mauī,
Te Hokokeha, Ngāti Te Māra**

Ka tu au ki ngā tihi o ngā maunga o te hauraro o Hokianga, o Panguru Papata, o Te Reinga, o Tarakeha.

Ka titiro whakawaho atu au ki ngā maunga o Te Rarawa, ngā puke iringa kupu o ngā mātua i te pō. Ka titiro whakararo ki ngā pā kāinga o te rohe, ngā uri whakatupu, ngā waihotanga o rātou mā.

E ngā whanaunga, ngā karanga maha, tēnā koutou katoa.

“Empowering hapū to strengthen Te Rarawa”

Leadership must start at the marae and be guided by hapū, so the rūnanga serves our people and strengthens our communities.

I will champion governance that is practical, transparent and inclusive, providing strong, inspiring leadership that supports all whānau, strengthens our communities, and guides Te Rarawa toward a thriving and prosperous future.

Te Rarawa has strong leaders past and present. I will build on their legacy with vision, fresh thinking and integrity.

I bring professional skills and mātauranga tuku iho to serve our iwi with dedication, ensuring our people thrive and our communities grow stronger.

Our iwi resources should benefit whānau now and for generations to come. I support hapū led economic initiatives that keep wealth within Te Rarawa, grow local opportunities and protect our whenua and taiao.

This includes backing sustainable industries, supporting marae projects and ensuring hapū have the tools and knowledge to manage resources wisely and confidently.

Culture is the heart of our identity. Te Rarawatanga must be lived every day through learning, waiata, kōrero tuku iho and te reo Māori.

By investing in our tamariki and rangatahi, we ensure the next generation grows up connected, confident and ready to carry our culture forward, alongside the guidance of those who have led before them. Together, we can strengthen Te Rarawa, whether our uri are at home or living away, empowering our people and ensuring every generation has a role in shaping our future.

Ko tō manawa, ko tōku – ka irihia ki runga.