



As Health spokesperson of the Green Party of Aotearoa New Zealand, myself and the Green Party are honoured to extend our heartfelt support for the International AIDS Candlelight Memorial, to be held on Sunday, May 19th, 2024. This annual event serves as a poignant reminder of the lives lost to HIV/AIDS and a testament to our collective commitment to honouring their memories.

The International AIDS Candlelight Memorial holds a special place in our hearts, as it provides a solemn yet empowering space for individuals and communities to come together in remembrance, reflection, and solidarity. It is a time to honour those who have passed, support those living with HIV/AIDS, and renew our dedication to combating stigma and discrimination.

We acknowledge the organisers, volunteers, and participants for their tireless efforts in organising these memorial services in both Tāmaki Makaurau and Pōneke. Your dedication to raising awareness, promoting education, and fostering inclusivity is invaluable in our ongoing fight against HIV/AIDS.

It is essential that we continue to work together in kotahitanga, across communities and political divides, to ensure access to comprehensive healthcare, prevention resources, and support services for all those affected by HIV/AIDS. The Green Party of Aotearoa New Zealand remains steadfast in our commitment to advocating for policies and initiatives that promote health equity, social justice, and human rights.

May this year's memorial serve as a beacon of hope, resilience, and compassion for all.

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