REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, HOMELESSNESS & PARKS

Voting Members:
Andria Tupola, Chair; Augie Tulba, Vice-Chair;
Radiant Cordero, Scott Y. Nishimoto, Matt Weyer

Committee Meeting Held
August 19, 2025

Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair, City Council
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Housing, Homelessness & Parks, which considered Resolution 25-213 entitled:

"RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF ONE (1) HI-BACK TRADITIONAL BENCH, PREPARATIONS OF THE GROUNDS AND A BRONZE PLAQUE WITH AN INSCRIPTION TO READ, "DONATED BY THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF CHER NALANI SULLIVAN," VALUED AT $3,669.51 FROM ELINA GRUGIER-BELL TO BE PLACED AT SANDY BEACH PARK,"

transmitted by Departmental Communication No. 598 (2025), dated July 25, 2025 from the Department of Parks and Recreation, and introduced on July 30, 2025, reports as follows:

The purpose of Resolution 25-213 is to accept a gift to the City from Elina Grugier-Bell, valued at $3,669.51, of one (1) Hi-back traditional bench, preparations of the grounds, building of forms and pouring of cement, and a bronze plaque with an inscription to read, "Donated by the Family and Friends of Cher Nalani Sullivan," to be placed at Sandy Beach Park.

Laura Thielen, Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, testified in support.

Your Committee received no oral or written public testimony on the Resolution.

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ADOPTED ON SEP 3 2025

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 276

Your Committee considered and approved a proposed posted CD1 version of the Resolution which makes the following amendments:

A. Amends the resolution title to read as follows:

ACCEPTING A GIFT TO THE CITY OF ONE HIGH-BACKED TRADITIONAL BENCH, PREPARATIONS OF THE GROUNDS, AND A BRONZE PLAQUE WITH AN INSCRIPTION TO READ, "DONATED BY THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF CHER NALANI SULLIVAN," VALUED AT $3,669.51 FROM ELINA GRUGIER-BELL TO BE PLACED AT SANDY BEACH PARK.

B. In the fourth WHEREAS clause and the BE IT RESOLVED clause:

1. Identifies the letter dated July 25, 2025 as Departmental Communication 598 (2025); and

2. Adds a reference to a subsequent letter dated August 11, 2025 (Departmental Communication 629 (2025)), which corrects the stated inscription of the bronze plaque and amends Departmental Communication 598 (2025).

C. Replaces the original Exhibit A (Declaration of Gift form dated May 14, 2025) attached to the resolution with the revised Exhibit A (Declaration of Gift form dated May 21, 2025) attached to Departmental Communication 629 (2025).

D. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

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Section 13-113 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973, as amended, provides as follows:

> The Council, on behalf of the City, may accept gifts or donations of money, securities or other personal property or of real estate or any interest in real estate.

To implement this Charter provision, the Council adopted Resolution 05-349, CD1, FD1, which establishes guidelines for the solicitation and receipt of gifts on behalf of the City.

Your Committee finds that the acceptance of this gift conforms to the applicable provisions of Resolution 05-349, CD1, FD1, and that this gift will benefit the people of the City and County of Honolulu.

Your Committee on Housing, Homelessness & Parks is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 25-213, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as Resolution 25-213, CD1. (Ayes: Cordero, Nishimoto, Tulba, Tupola, Weyer – 5; Noes: None.)

Respectfully submitted,

A Tupola

Committee Chair

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. **25-213, CD1**

RESOLUTION

ACCEPTING A GIFT TO THE CITY OF ONE HIGH-BACKED TRADITIONAL BENCH, PREPARATIONS OF THE GROUNDS, AND A BRONZE PLAQUE WITH AN INSCRIPTION TO READ, "DONATED BY THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF CHER NALANI SULLIVAN," VALUED AT $3,669.51 FROM ELINA GRUGIER-BELL TO BE PLACED AT SANDY BEACH PARK.

WHEREAS, Section 13-113 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (Amended 2017 Edition), as amended, provides the City Council ("Council") with authority to accept gifts to the City and County of Honolulu ("City"); and

WHEREAS, Resolution 05-349, CD1, FD1, establishes a policy of the Council for the solicitation and acceptance of gifts donated to the City; and

WHEREAS, the policy allows for the acceptance of gifts by the affirmative action of the Council; and

WHEREAS, through a letter dated July 25, 2025 (Departmental Communication 598 (2025)), as amended by a letter dated August 11, 2025 (Departmental Communication 629 (2025)), and approved by the Managing Director, the Director of Parks and Recreation has submitted a request to the Council for acceptance of a gift to the City from Elina Grugier-Bell of one high-backed traditional bench, preparations of the grounds, the building of forms and pouring of cement, and a bronze plaque with an inscription to read, "Donated by the Family and Friends of Cher Nalani Sullivan," valued at $3,669.51, to be placed at Sandy Beach Park; and

WHEREAS, the description and value of the gift are set forth in the Declaration of Gift form attached hereto as Exhibit A; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that this body gratefully accepts the gift valued at $3,669.51 from Elina Grugier-Bell that is more fully described in Departmental Communication 598 (2025), dated July 25, 2025, as amended by Departmental Communication 629 (2025) dated August 11, 2025, and the Declaration of Gift form attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein; and

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. **25-213, CD1**

RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Director of Parks and Recreation and Ms. Elina Grugier-Bell, 2747 Hillside Avenue, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96822.

INTRODUCED BY:

Tommy Waters (br)

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

July 30, 2025
Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

Exhibit A

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

DECLARATION OF GIFT	
NAME OF DONOR	Elina Grugier-Bell
DONOR'S ADDRESS	2747 Hillside Avenue Honolulu, HI 96822
DONOR'S TELEPHONE	808-282-4681

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP AND/OR TERMS OF CONVEYANCE

The donor named above owns the property described below and desires to give the property to the City and County of Honolulu. To carry out this purpose, the donor hereby absolutely and without condition or reservation gives, grants, and conveys the property to the City and County of Honolulu.

DESCRIPTION OF GIFT	VALUE
1-Hi-back traditional bench made of 100% recycled plastic, measuring 6 feet to be installed at Sandy Beach Park. Price $1122.51	$ 1,122.51
Preparations of the grounds, building of forms and pouring of concrete to form a 4'X6' concrete pad. Price $2400.00	$ 2,400.00
Bronze plaque measuring 3 1/4"X6" with lettering, to read, "Donated by the family and friends of Cher Nalani Sullivan" Price $147.00	$ 147.00
TOTAL	$ 3,669.51

SIGNATURE: Elina Grugier-Bell	DATE: 5/21/2025
PRINT NAME: Elina Grugier-Bell	TITLE:

Report Title:

Gift; Department of Parks and Recreation ("DPR"); Sandy Beach Park; Inscribed Park Bench and Bench Installation

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