REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, HOMELESSNESS & PARKS

Voting Members:
Andria Tupola, Chair; Augie Tulba, Vice-Chair;
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Committee Meeting Held
September 24, 2025

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

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Housing, Homelessness & Parks, which considered Resolution 25-255 entitled:

"RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF ONE COOK PINE TREE VALUED AT $3,000.00 TO THE CITY FROM CHELSEA LOUI FOR THE 2025 KAPOLEI CITY LIGHTS EVENT AT KAPOLEI HALE,"

transmitted by Departmental Communication No. 693 (2025) dated September 4, 2025, from the Department of Parks and Recreation and introduced on September 10, 2025, reports as follows:

The purpose of Resolution 25-255 is to accept a gift to the City from Chelsea Loui of one (1) Cook Pine tree valued at $3,000 that will be used as the main tree for the 2025 Kapolei City Lights event to be held at Kapolei Hale.

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

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.

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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 25-255 and recommends its adoption. (Ayes: Cordero, Nishimoto, Tulba, Tupola, Weyer – 5; Noes: None.)

Respectfully submitted,

A Tupola

Committee Chair

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