

CITY COUNCIL
REFERRAL APPEAL FORM

DATE: April 9, 2026

TO: COUNCIL CHAIR

FROM: Scott Y. Nishimoto
COMMITTEE CHAIR

BILL/RESOLUTION/COMMUNICATION AND SUBJECT:

Resolution 26-81 - Accepting a gift of air transportation and lodging, valued at \$1,850 to the City from Harvard Kennedy School for a member from the Department of Human Resources and the Department of Transportation Services to participate in Harvard Kennedy's 2ND Annual State and Local Government Career Expo and Forum in Cambridge, Massachusetts, from April 16-17, 2026. (D-252[26])

STATUS (Reading/PH):

Introduced 4/9/25

**CURRENTLY REFERRED TO
COMMITTEE(S):**

International & Legal Affairs

☐ **DESIRED COMMITTEE(S)
RE-REFERRED TO:**

OR

☒ **DIRECT REFERRAL TO COUNCIL
FLOOR**

Reason(s) for Appeal:

Time sensitive.



Committee Chair (Requestor)



Council Chair

4/9/26

Date

Granted ☒
Denied ☐

cc: Councilmembers
City Clerk
Council Assistance

(Rev. 9/23/05)

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HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. 26 - 8 1

RESOLUTION

ACCEPTING A GIFT OF AIR TRANSPORTATION AND LODGING, VALUED AT \$1,850.00 TO THE CITY FROM HARVARD KENNEDY SCHOOL FOR A MEMBER FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HARVARD KENNEDY'S 2ND ANNUAL STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT CAREER EXPO AND FORUM IN CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, FROM APRIL 16-17, 2026.

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 April 8, 2026, approved by the Managing Director, the Director of the Department of Human Resources has submitted a request to the Council for acceptance of a gift to the City from Harvard Kennedy School valued at \$1,850.00 for air transportation and lodging to participate in the Harvard Kennedy's 2nd Annual State and Local Government Career Expo and Forum in Cambridge, Massachusetts, from April 16-17, 2026; and

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that this body gratefully accepts the gift valued at \$1,850.00 from Harvard Kenney School that is more fully described in the above-mentioned letter dated April 8, 2026 and the Declaration of Gift attached as Exhibit A; and



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KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. .26 - 8.1

RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Director of the Department of Human Resources, 650 South King Street, 10th Floor, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813; and Harvard Kennedy School, 79 John F. Kennedy Street, Box 70, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 02138.

INTRODUCED BY:

Tony Wak

(br)

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

APR 9 2026
Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

City and County of Honolulu

DECLARATION OF GIFT	
NAME OF DONOR	Harvard Kennedy School
DONOR'S ADDRESS	79 John F. Kennedy Street, Box 70 Cambridge, MA 02138
DONOR'S TELEPHONE	617-495-1161
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
Estimated expenses including air transportation and lodging for City Team: Director Nola Miyasaki, Department of Human Resources; and Chris Ovitt, Administrative Services Officer, Department of Transportation Services, to participate in the Harvard Kennedy School's 2nd Annual State and Local Government Career Expos and Forum in Cambridge, Massachusetts from April 16-17, 2026. Hotel Stay for three nights (April 16 – 17, 2026) Airfare (round trip)	\$750.00 \$1100.00
TOTAL:	\$1,850.00
Signature: 	Date: 04/08/2026
Print Name: Zoe Brown	Title: Senior Data and Organizational Systems Coordinator

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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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MAYOR
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NOLA N. MIYASAKI
DIRECTOR
PO'O

FLORENCIO C. BAGUIO, JR.
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
KOKUA PO'O

April 8, 2026

The Honorable Tommy Waters
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Waters and Councilmembers:

SUBJECT: Report of Gift and Requested Acceptance

We respectfully request the acceptance by the City Council on behalf of the City and County of Honolulu of a gift to the City valued at \$2,500 or less under the provisions of Resolution No. 05-349, CD1, FD1. A proposed resolution accepting the gift is attached for the City Council's favorable consideration. The Department of Human Resources (DHR) has not taken custody of the gift. The recommendation of the Managing Director is evidenced by his signature below.

The gift from the Harvard Kennedy School, valued at \$1,850.00 includes airfare and hotel accommodations. DHR Director Nola Miyasaki was invited to participate in the Harvard Kennedy School's 2nd Annual State and Local Government Career Expo and Forum in Cambridge, Massachusetts, from April 16-17, 2026, where she will have the opportunity to meet students and alumni from across Harvard University who are interested in exploring and launching careers in local government.

Should you have any further questions, please contact me at (808) 768-8500.

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by
Miyasaki, Nola
Date: 2026.04.08 12:51:08
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Nola N. Miyasaki
Director

Attachments

APPROVED:


Michael D. Formby, Managing Director
Office of the Managing Director

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