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April 21, 2026

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

Dear Chair Waters and Councilmembers:

SUBJECT: Report of Gift Valued in Excess of $2,500 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 in excess of $2,500 under the provisions of Resolution 05-349, CD1, FD1. A proposed resolution accepting the gift is attached for the Council's favorable consideration. The Department of Parks and Recreation has not taken custody of the gift. The recommendation of the Managing Director is evidenced by his signature below.

The gift of one (1) high-back traditional bench, preparations of the grounds, building of forms and pouring of cement, and one (1) bronze plaque with an inscription to read "Donated by the Family of Gafatasi J.W.E Veu," valued at $2,716.74, from Serena Veu will be placed at Sandy Beach Park.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (808) 768-3001.

Sincerely,

Laura H. Thielen
Director

Attachments

APPROVED:

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

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HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. _____

RESOLUTION

ACCEPTING A GIFT OF ONE (1) HIGH-BACK TRADITIONAL BENCH, PREPARATIONS OF THE GROUNDS AND A BRONZE PLAQUE WITH AN INSCRIPTION TO READ "DONATED BY THE FAMILY OF GAFATASI J.W.E VEU," VALUED AT $2,716.74 FROM SERENA VEU 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 April 21, 2026, approved by the Managing Director, the Department of Parks and Recreation has submitted a request to the Council for acceptance of a gift to the City from Serena Veu of one (1) high-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 of Gafatasi J.W.E Veu," valued at $2,716.74 will be placed 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 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 $2,716.74 from Serena Veu that is more fully described in the above-mentioned letter dated April 21, 2026 and the Declaration of Gift attached as Exhibit A; and

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RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, 1000 Ulu'ōhi'a Street, Suite 309, Kapolei, Hawai'i 96707, and Mr. Serena Veu, 94-303 Kiwini Place, Waipahu, Hawai'i 96797.

INTRODUCED BY:

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION: _____

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Honolulu, Hawai'i Councilmembers

2026SERENAVEU

Exhibit A

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

DECLARATION OF GIFT

NAME OF DONOR	Serena Veu
DONOR'S ADDRESS	94-303 Kiwini Place Waipahu, HI 96797
DONOR'S TELEPHONE	808-225-7176

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-High-back traditional bench made of 100% recycled plastic, measuring 6 feet to be installed at Sandy Beach. 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 $1438.23	$ 1,438.23
Bronze plaque measuring 3 1/4"X6" with lettering, to read, "Donated by the family of Gafatasi J.W.E. Veu" Price $156.00	$ 156.00
TOTAL	$ 2,716.74

SIGNATURE: Sw	**DATE:** 04.21.2026
PRINT NAME: Serena Veu	**TITLE:**