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May 8, 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 taken custody of the gift. The recommendation of the Managing Director is evidenced by his signature below.

The gift of ongoing weekly donations of commercial ti leaves which will be sewn into lei by public volunteers, valued at $18,000.00, from Murakami Farms will be used to adorn the graves of our service members buried at the National Cemetery of the Pacific at Pūowaina as part of the Mayor's Memorial Day ceremony.

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 ONGOING WEEKLY DONATIONS OF COMMERCIAL TI LEAVES WHICH WILL BE SEWN INTO LEI BY PUBLIC VOLUNTEERS VALUED AT $18,000.00 FROM MURAKAMI FARMS WILL BE USED FOR THE ANNUAL MAYOR'S MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY HELD AT THE NATIONAL CEMETERY OF THE PACIFIC AT PŪOWAINA.

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 May 8, 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 Murakami Farms of ongoing weekly donations of ti leaves to be sewn into lei by public volunteers, valued at $18,000.00, which will be used to adorn the graves of our service members buried at the National Cemetery of the Pacific at Pūowaina as part of the Mayor's Memorial Day ceremony; 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 $18,000.00 from Murakami Farms that is more fully described in the above-mentioned letter dated May 8, 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. Myrone Murakami, Murakami Farms, 47-533 Pulami Road, Kāne'ohe, Hawai'i 96744.

INTRODUCED BY:

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION: _____

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Honolulu, Hawai'i Councilmembers

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EXHIBIT A

City and County of Honolulu

DECLARATION OF GIFT

NAME OF DONOR	Murakami Farms - Myrone Murakami
DONOR'S ADDRESS	47-533 Pulami Road
DONOR'S TELEPHONE	(808) 239-8354

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP AND/OR TERMS OF CONVEYANCE

I own the item described below and desire to give the property to the City and County of Honolulu. To carry out my purpose, I do hereby absolutely and without condition or reservation give, grant and convey the property to the City and County of Honolulu.

DESCRIPTION OF GIFT	VALUE
Ongoing weekly donation of commercial ti leaves during 2026 for the annual Mayor's Memorial Day Ceremony at the National Memorial of the Pacific at Punchbowl on May 25, 2026. The leaves were donated on a weekly basis to the City and County of Honolulu, Department of Parks and Recreation, to be sewn into lei by volunteers at classes, service projects, and public events. The lei were used to adorn the grave sites of thousands of soldiers to honor their military service and sacrifice to our country.	Total $18,000.00

Signature:	M. Murakami	**Date:**	5/2/26
Print Name:	M. Murakami	**Title:**	Owner