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
May 21, 2026

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

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Housing, Homelessness & Parks, which considered Resolution 26-111 entitled:

"RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF SHIPPING SERVICES VALUED AT $2,500 TO THE CITY FROM AEKO KULA LLC DBA ALOHA AIR CARGO FOR SHIPPING FLOWERS AND LEI FROM THE NEIGHBOR ISLANDS TO SUPPORT THE MAKING AND COLLECTION OF 38,000 LEI TO BE USED FOR THE ANNUAL MAYOR'S MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY HELD AT THE NATIONAL CEMETERY OF THE PACIFIC AT PŪOWAINA,"

transmitted by Departmental Communication 314 (2026), dated May 8, 2026, from the Department of Parks and Recreation, and introduced on May 12, 2026, reports as follows:

The purpose of Resolution 26-111 is to accept a gift to the City from Aeko Kula LLC dba Aloha Air Cargo of in-kind air freight shipping services, valued at $2,500, for the shipping of flowers and lei from the neighbor islands to Honolulu to support the making and collection of 38,000 lei to adorn the graves of our service members buried at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at Pūowaina as part of the Annual Mayor's Memorial Day Ceremony.

Kēhaulani Pu'u, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation testified in support.

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ADOPTED ON JUN 3 2026

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 153(26)

Your Committee considered and approved a proposed 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 SHIPPING SERVICES VALUED AT $2,500 FROM AEKO KULA LLC DBA ALOHA AIR CARGO FOR SHIPPING FLOWERS AND LEI FROM THE NEIGHBOR ISLANDS TO SUPPORT THE MAKING AND COLLECTION OF 38,000 LEI TO ADORN THE GRAVES OF OUR SERVICE MEMBERS BURIED AT THE NATIONAL MEMORIAL CEMETERY OF THE PACIFIC AT PŪOWAINA AS PART OF THE MAYOR'S MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY."

B. In the fourth WHEREAS clause and the BE IT RESOLVED clause, identifies the letter dated May 8, 2026, as Departmental Communication 314 (2026).

C. In the fourth WHEREAS clause, correctly identifies the location of the Memorial Day ceremony as the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific.

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 26-111, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as Resolution 26-111, CD1. (Ayes: Cordero, Tulba, Tupola – 3; Noes: None; Absent: Nishimoto, Weyer – 2.)

Respectfully submitted,

A. Tupola
Committee Chair

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No. **26-111, CD1**

RESOLUTION

ACCEPTING A GIFT TO THE CITY OF SHIPPING SERVICES VALUED AT $2,500 FROM AEKO KULA LLC DBA ALOHA AIR CARGO FOR SHIPPING FLOWERS AND LEI FROM THE NEIGHBOR ISLANDS TO SUPPORT THE MAKING AND COLLECTION OF 38,000 LEI TO ADORN THE GRAVES OF OUR SERVICE MEMBERS BURIED AT THE NATIONAL MEMORIAL CEMETERY OF THE PACIFIC AT PŪOWAINA AS PART OF THE MAYOR'S MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY.

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

WHEREAS, through a letter dated May 8, 2026 (Departmental Communication 314 (2026)), approved by the Managing Director, the Director of Parks and Recreation has submitted a request to the Council for the acceptance of a gift to the City from Aeko Kula LLC dba Aloha Air Cargo of shipping services, valued at $2,500, for the shipping of flowers and lei from the neighbor islands to support the making and collection of 38,000 lei to adorn the graves of our service members buried at the National Memorial 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; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that this body gratefully accepts the gift valued at $2,500 from Aeko Kula LLC dba Aloha Air Cargo that is more fully described in Departmental Communication 314 (2026), dated May 8, 2026, and the Declaration of Gift form attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference herein; and

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. **26-111, CD1**

RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Director of Parks and Recreation and Jade Castillo, Director of Sales, Aeko Kula LLC dba Aloha Air Cargo, 50 Elliott Street, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96819.

INTRODUCED BY:

Tommy Waters (br)

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

May 12, 2026
Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

City and County of Honolulu

DECLARATION OF GIFT	
NAME OF DONOR	Aeko Kula LLC dba Aloha Air Cargo
DONOR'S ADDRESS	50 Elliott Street, Honolulu, HI 96819
DONOR'S TELEPHONE	808-836-4222

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP AND/OR TERMS OF CONVEYANCE

Aloha Air Cargo to provide in-kind shipping of flowers for the 75th Annual Mayor's Memorial Day Ceremony from Hilo, Kona, Lihue, and Kahului to Honolulu. Lei's to be tendered on outer islands on Thursday, May 21, 2026 and will be held in our Honolulu Station reefer till recovered. Estimated date of pick up is set for either Friday, May 22 or Saturday, May 23.

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
In-Kind Air Freight Shipping up to $2500.00 in total, per the below origin/destinations. ITO – HNL KOA-HNL OGG-HNL LIH-HNL	$2500.00

Signature: [signature]	**Date:** 3/11/26
Print Name: Jade Castillo	**Title:** Director of Sales

Report Title:

Gift; Department of Parks and Recreation ("DPR"); Memorial Day; National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific; Pūowaina; Puowaina

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