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October 26, 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 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 Enterprise Services has not taken custody of the gift. The recommendation by the Managing Director is evidenced by his signature below.

The gift from The Honolulu Zoological Society is valued at $195,845.66 for the installation of a new water filtration system for the elephant habitat pools, including the removal of the old system.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 808-768-5415.

Sincerely,

Dita Holifield
Director

Attachment

APPROVED:

Krishna F. Jayaram, Managing Director
Office of the Managing Director

DEPT. COM. 675(26)

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

No. _____

RESOLUTION

ACCEPTING A GIFT FROM THE HONOLULU ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY TO THE CITY, VALUED AT $195,845.66, FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW WATER FILTRATION SYSTEM FOR THE ELEPHANT HABITAT POOLS, INCLUDING THE REMOVAL OF THE OLD SYSTEM.

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 October 26, 2026, approved by the Managing Director, the Director of the Department of Enterprise Services has submitted a request to the Council for the acceptance of a gift to the City from The Honolulu Zoological Society for a gate installation providing access to the giraffe exhibit, designed to coordinate with the new post-and-cable fencing for the habitat; and

WHEREAS, the description and value of the gift are set forth in the Declaration of Gift 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 $195,845.66 from The Honolulu Zoological Society that is more fully described in the above-mentioned letter and the Declaration of Gift attached as Exhibit A; and

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Director of the Department of Enterprise Services; and Ms. Mary Benson, Executive Director, The Honolulu Zoological Society, 151 Kapahulu Avenue, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96815.

INTRODUCED BY:

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION: _____

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Honolulu, Hawai'i Councilmembers

Exhibit A

City and County of Honolulu

DECLARATION OF GIFT	
NAME OF DONOR	The Honolulu Zoological Society
DONOR'S ADDRESS	151 Kapahulu Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96815
DONOR'S TELEPHONE	808.926.3191

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
Installation of a new water filtration system for the Elephant habitat pools, including the removal of the old system.	$195,845.66

Signature: Mary Benson	**Date:** August 3, 2026
Print Name: Mary Benson	**Title:** Executive Director