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December 5, 2008

Senator Colleen Hanabusa
President of the State Senate
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 409
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear President Hanabusa:

This is to inform you that Resolution 08-259, CD1, urging the Legislature to restore grant-in-aid funding and urging the Governor to maintain State funding for the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, was adopted by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu at its meeting on Wednesday, December 3, 2008.

Sincerely,

Denise Costa

for DENISE C. DE COSTA
City Clerk

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HONOLULU, HAWAII



RESOLUTION

URGING THE LEGISLATURE TO RESTORE GRANT-IN-AID FUNDING AND URGING THE GOVERNOR TO MAINTAIN STATE FUNDING FOR THE LANAKILA MULTI-PURPOSE SENIOR CENTER.

WHEREAS, the Lanakila Multi-purpose Senior Center ("Lanakila") was built by the state in 1968 as a model senior center for Hawaii and today is the largest senior center in Hawaii, serving seniors whose average age is in the 80's; and

WHEREAS, Lanakila provides health, social, and education services designed to assist seniors maintain independent living in a community-based setting that is less costly than more restricted or institutional levels of care; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities Hawaii, a private, non-profit, human and behavioral health service agency established in 1947, has been contracted since 1969 to operate Lanakila and holds the current operating contract for fiscal year 2008-2009 (Contract No. CT-DCS-0700034; "Lanakila contract"); and

WHEREAS, the Lanakila contract, awarded through a request for proposals process by the city's department of community services/elderly affairs division, establishes standards and requirements including:

- Giving priority, within the eligible group of individuals 60 years of age and older, to those with the greatest social and economic needs with particular attention to low-income, minority and older individuals residing in rural areas;
- Providing a minimum level of services, including health screens and flu shot clinics, exercise and physical fitness sessions, health education and promotion sessions, education and training sessions, and recreation and leisure sessions; and
- Informing each senior participant of the opportunity to voluntarily contribute to the cost of the service or services provided, but clearly stating that there is no obligation to contribute and that services will never be denied to seniors because of an inability or decision not to contribute to the cost of the service or services;

and

WHEREAS, the Lanakila contract provided \$123,722, funded via a grant the city received from the state's executive office on aging for the development and delivery of a



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comprehensive city program that targets the needs of individuals 60 years of age and older pursuant to Title III of the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the city-executed and state-funded Lanakila contract, Catholic Charities Hawaii relies heavily on an annual state grant-in-aid to operate Lanakila, as reflected in the following breakdown of support and revenue sources for all Catholic Charities Hawaii programs and services for the year ended December 31, 2006:

65.8%	Government and Foundation Contracts/Funds
25.3%	Contributions from Foundations and Individuals
3.6%	Program Fees and Project Income
1.9%	Aloha United Way Allocation
1.9%	Investment and Other Income
<u>1.5%</u>	Contributions from the Diocese of Honolulu
100.0%	Total Support and Revenue;

and

WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2007-2008, Catholic Charities Hawaii received a \$123,722 contract and \$134,000 in state grant-in-aid funding to operate Lanakila; and

WHEREAS, for fiscal year 2008-2009, Catholic Charities Hawaii received a \$123,722 contract, but no state grant-in-aid funding to operate Lanakila (despite a request for \$170,000); and

WHEREAS, national and worldwide financial woes, along with recessionary pressures and a looming state budget deficit that could climb close to \$1 billion by 2011 have apparently contributed to the elimination of critical state grant-in-aid funding for Lanakila and threaten to eliminate future state grants to the city to contract for services at Lanakila; and

WHEREAS, the council finds that when the economy goes down, state funding for non-profit organizations goes down, but the needs of vulnerable residents go up, and that funding the operations of the Lanakila Multi-purpose Senior Center is not only justified but needed now more than ever; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it urges the legislature to restore state grant-in-aid funding and urges the governor to maintain state funding for the Lanakila Multi-purpose Senior Center; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department of community services/elderly affairs division, in anticipation that state grant-in-aid funds may not be restored or that state funding for the city's Lanakila contract may not be maintained, immediately explore alternative sources of funding available to the city for the Lanakila Multi-purpose Senior Center and any other similarly situated non-profit organization; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the speaker of the state house of representatives, the president of the state senate, the governor, the director of the department of community services, the director of the department of budget and fiscal services, and Rix Maurer III, Chair, Board of Directors, Catholic Charities Hawaii, 200 North Vineyard Boulevard, Suite 200, Honolulu, Hawaii 97817.

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

November 10, 2008
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII
CERTIFICATE

RESOLUTION 08-259, CD1

Introduced: 11/10/08 By: ROD TAM

Committee: INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AFFAIRS

Title: RESOLUTION URGING THE LEGISLATURE TO RESTORE GRANT-IN-AID FUNDING AND URGING THE GOVERNOR TO MAINTAIN STATE FUNDING FOR THE LANAKILA MULTI-PURPOSE SENIOR CENTER.

Links: [RES08-259](#)
[RES08-259, CD1](#)

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS	11/20/08	CR-347 – RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION AS AMENDED IN CD1 FORM.			
COUNCIL	12/3/08	CR-347 AND RESOLUTION AS AMENDED (RES08-259, CD1) WERE ADOPTED.			
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I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.

Denise Man
for DENISE C. DE COSTA, CITY CLERK

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TODD APO, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER