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### **Hawaii State Senate Recognizes Author of “The Descendants”**

HONOLULU -- Just a few days after attending the Academy Awards in Los Angeles, Kauai Hart Hemmings, author of the novel, “The Descendants,” was recognized by the Hawaii State Senate.

Today, Senators honored Hemmings with a certificate of recognition for the success she received in having her novel adapted into a screenplay for the movie, “The Descendants,” which won an Academy Award for the Best Adapted Screenplay Sunday night. The film also garnered four Oscar nominations.

Along with the Oscars, the movie was nominated and has won numerous other awards, including two Golden Globe Awards. The Descendants stars George Clooney, Amara Miller and Shailene Woodley. The film was shot in Honolulu and in Kauai’s Hanalei Bay.

“Scenery from Kauai’s iconic properties and landscapes are beautifully photographed and highlighted in the film, thanks to Kauai and the producers of the movie,” said Senator Ronald D. Kouchi, who represents Kauai. “We are pleased with being able to share our island lifestyle with those who watch the movie.”

The soundtrack uses Hawaiian music, featuring artists including Gabby Pahinui, Ray Kane, Keola Beamer, Lena Machado, Sonny Chillingworth, Jeff Peterson, and Reverend Dennis Kamakahi.

(Photo Caption: Senators recognize Kauai Hart Hemmings for the success of her novel, “The Descendants,” which was turned into a screenplay for the movie with the same namesake.)

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