

# Resolution

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## EXTENDING CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE MAY FUJIWARA

WHEREAS, May Fujiwara, a strong advocate for seniors and a woman who fought tirelessly for community needs in Maui County, passed away on April 18, 2017 at the age of 84; and

WHEREAS, born in Honokahua, Maui to James and Yoshiko Kusuda on May 4, 1932, May Fujiwara graduated from Lahainaluna High School, and went to attain her master's degree in education from Texas A&M University in College Station; and

WHEREAS, after retiring as a vocational teacher where she taught for many years at Jefferson and Bowie High Schools in El Paso, Texas, May Fujiwara moved back home to Lahaina, Maui and dedicated her post-retirement life to public service, something ingrained in her from an early age by her father, who was a police officer; and

WHEREAS, May Fujiwara envisioned a need for elder care on Maui and was instrumental in advocating for the building of the Lahaina Senior Center; and

WHEREAS, a generous and unselfish public servant, May Fujiwara had a distinguished record of volunteerism having held leadership roles on the County Fire and Public Safety Commission and Salary Commission, Maui Police Commission, Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc., Lahaina Bypass Now, Office on Aging, West Maui Taxpayers Association, and up until her passing, was President of the Lahaina-Honolua Senior Citizens Club, representing seniors as a frequent testifier at Maui County Council meetings; and

WHEREAS, her leadership, unwavering commitment, and courage to speak up for the needs of the community, especially for senior programs, helped provide a strong, unified voice resulting in many benefits for West Maui seniors; and

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WHEREAS, the people of the County of Maui have benefited from May Fujiwara's leadership, whose life is a model worthy of emulation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

1. That it hereby extends its condolences and deepest sympathy to the family of the late May Fujiwara; and
2. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the family of the late May Fujiwara.

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