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CONGRATULATING KIMBERLY YAP FOR BEING CROWNED MISS HAWAII FILIPINA 2017

WHEREAS, Miss Maui Filipina Kimberly Yap of Lahaina was crowned Miss Hawaii Filipina 2017 on July 29, 2017 at Dole Cannery's Pōmaika'i Ballrooms in Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly was the fourth consecutive Miss Maui Filipina to bring home the coveted state pageant title; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly was named Miss Congeniality and won the title of Miss Maui Filipina 2017 on May 13, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly is a Cum Laude graduate of Lahainaluna High School, and the first Miss Hawaii Filipina contestant also of Marshallese ancestry; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly is currently attending the University of Hawaii Maui College where she is majoring in Communications with a minor in Marketing; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly's ambitions are to inspire goodwill in others; maintain a positive attitude; and live a life full of happiness, adventure, and gratitude; and

WHEREAS, the Miss Maui Filipina pageant is the longest running pageant in the state, and has, since 1959, promoted traditional values of the Filipino culture; and

WHEREAS, the Miss Hawaii Filipina pageant, hosted by the United Filipino Council of Hawaii, is a statewide beauty pageant where queens from each county compete in interview, talent, swimsuit, and terno speech and design; and

WHEREAS, Kimberly's appreciation of her Filipino culture and heritage, strength of character, and concern for the needs of the

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community have brought pride and honor to the people of the County of Maui; now, therefore,

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

- 1. That it hereby congratulates Kimberly Yap for being crowned Miss Hawaii Filipina 2017; and
- 2. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to Kimberly Yap; Ernie Yap, Kimberly's father; Naomi Maitinnara, Kimberly's mother; Michelle Santos, Pageant Advisor; Topaz Fernandez, Pageant Director; Raizza Pulido, Pageant Director; Jimmy Iloretta, President, United Filipino Council of Hawaii; and Elmer Tolentino, President, Maui Filipino Community Council.

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