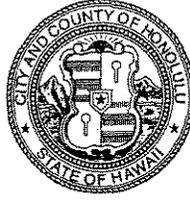


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MICHAEL D. NAKASONE
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March 24, 2009

The Honorable Nestor R. Garcia, Chair
and Members of the Budget Committee
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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Dear Chair Garcia and Councilmembers:

Subject: Royal Hawaiian Band Operating Budget Request
For Fiscal Year 2010

The Royal Hawaiian Band's Fiscal Year 2010 Operating Budget Request of \$2,156,247 reflects a 1.9% decrease from the current fiscal year. This decrease is primarily due to a vacancy cutback of \$43,756. Salaries represent 94% of this budget request. Attached is a chart of our Fiscal Year 2009 appropriation and Fiscal Year 2010 budget request. As shown on the January 31, 2009 vacancy report, there are three vacant musician positions (Bb clarinet, tuba, and euphonium) which we plan to fill in FY2010.

Each of the musician positions in the band is important, as this is barely an adequate number of musicians to fulfill the needs of a concert band with the workload the Royal Hawaiian Band is tasked with. A complement of 45 to 47 musician positions would not be unreasonable for this organization; however, I realize that an increase in positions is not possible at this time, and I'm illustrating this only to emphasize the importance of all our positions.

There are no budget issues or changes in revenue sources.

I look forward to working with you through the budget process. If there are any questions relating to this matter, please contact me at 922-5331.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael D. Nakasone".

Michael D. Nakasone
Bandmaster

Attach.

ROYAL HAWAIIAN BAND
 FISCAL YEAR 2010
 BUDGET PROPOSAL

| | FY2009 BUDGET | FY2010 | | | CHANGE % |
|--------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| | | CURRENT SERVICES | BUDGET ISSUES | TOTAL | |
| SALARIES | \$ 2,075,239 | \$ 2,032,316 | \$ 0 | \$ 2,032,316 | \$ (42,923) (2%) |
| CURRENT EXPENSE | 122,729 | 123,931 | 0 | 123,931 | +1,202 1% |
| EQUIPMENT | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | \$ 2,197,968 | \$ 2,156,247 | \$ 0 | \$ 2,156,247 | \$ (41,721) (1.9%) |