

ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS

A RESOLUTION

No. 2019 -15

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF WAIMEA HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUB MEMBER LILA-ANNE KAUIÑOHEA KAWAI YIM, ALSO FONDLY KNOWN AS “PUGGIE”

WHEREAS, Lila-Anne Kauinohea Kawai Yim was born at home in Waimea, Hawai‘i Island on October 26, 1931, to Harry and Lehua Kawai and graduated from Hilo High School in 1950; and

WHEREAS, Rowell Arlen Yim and Lila-Anne (Puggie) Kawai were married on June 7, 1952, at the ‘Imiola Congregational Church in Waimea, Island of Hawai‘i; and

WHEREAS, Puggie was a housewife and mother until all of her children were in school; and

WHEREAS, Puggie worked for 31 years at the State Tree Nursery in Waimea where she made life-long friends; and

WHEREAS, Puggie was a life-long member of the ‘Imiola Congregational Church where she served as a Sunday School teacher, deaconess, moderator, pianist, organist, choir director, and mentor; and

WHEREAS, Puggie unselfishly shared her son, Harry, with her parents, allowing him to be brought up by them; and

WHEREAS, Puggie lovingly shared her daughter, Mary-Alice, with her uncle and aunt in their old age, when a two week visit became a seven-year hānai; and

WHEREAS, when her parent asked to adopt their grandson, Harry, Puggie said that it was unfair to the girls and if they wanted one child they needed to take them thus lovingly allowing all three of her children to be adopted; and

WHEREAS, through her three children, she had three grandchildren, Koa and Kalā Radl (Edie), and Kawai (Mary-Alice), and through them had five great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, to her great joy and through the wonder of recombined families, she was blessed with additional grandchildren, great-grandchildren and even one great-great-grandchild; and

WHEREAS, Puggie was a life-time member of the Waimea Chapter of the Ka‘ahumanu Society; and

WHEREAS, Puggie was a member of the Waimea Hawaiian Civic Club and offered support, help, and wise and dear counsel; and

WHEREAS, throughout her life, she believed in her eternal Father and God, was a woman who believed in and trusted her Savior, Jesus Christ, and served her church selflessly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs in Convention at its 60th Annual Convention in Lahaina, Maui, in the malama of Welehu and the rising of Lā‘au Pau, this 16th day of November 2019, celebrating the life of Waimea Hawaiian Civic Club member Lila-Anne Kauinohea Kawai Yim, also fondly known as “Puggie;” and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a moment of silence be held in honor of Lila-Anne Kauinohea Kawai Yim; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the family of Lila-Anne Kauinohea Kawai Yim and the Waimea Hawaiian Civic Club, as well as the Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, President of the State Senate, Speaker of the State House of Representatives, Chair of the State Senate subject matter committee on Hawaiian Affairs, Chair of the State House subject matter committee on Hawaiian Affairs, Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, and all County Mayors.



The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted in the malama of Welehu and the rising of Lā‘au Pau on the 16th day of November 2019, at the 60th Annual Convention of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs in Lahaina, Maui.

Hailama V. K. K. Farden, President