ASSOCIATION OF HAWAIIAN CIVIC CLUBS

A RESOLUTION

No. 2019 - 8

HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF ALBERT (ALAPAKI) HOLLIS SILVA A.K.A. THE "WAI'ANAE COWBOY"

WHEREAS, Albert was born on September 15, 1929, to Manuel Silva and Annie Kalipo McCandless Silva, and his mother was one of the original founders of the Wai'anae Hawaiian Civic Club; and

WHEREAS, he is the fifth child of six sons in his 'ohana, was born in Honolulu, raised in Wai'anae, is of Hawaiian, Portuguese and Irish descent, and was the sixth generation in Wai'anae; and

WHEREAS, he attended Wai'anae School, and Kamehameha School for Boys and graduated in 1948, and he was also his class representative; and

WHEREAS, served in the U.S. Navy Reserves for 18 incredible years and worked for the Federal Government in U.S. Navy as an antennae rigger at the Lualualei radio station, and then retired and continued on as a rancher and became the konohiki at 'Ōhikilolo ranch at Kea'au; and

WHEREAS, Albert held an Annual Lūʻau at 'Ōhikilolo in May of each year for the last 25 years as a big community event for all of Waiʻanae Coast, it was free of charge, the military and also the tourists from Waikīkī were invited, and an 'ono lunch of Hawaiian food, cowboy stew, quarter hind beef was provided, and top notch entertainment with local entertainers from our Waiʻanae community like Israel Kamakawiwoʻole, Makaha Sons, Nuʻuanu Brothers, and many more was always enjoyed; and

WHEREAS, he was a strong community supporter and was a member of the Wai'anae Rotary Club, Wai'anae Neighborhood Board, Mamaka Ai'alo, Royal Order of Kamehameha, Wai'anae Hawaiian Civic Club, Wai'anae Military Civilian Advisory Counsel, St. Francis Healthcare System Foundation Board, Wai'anae Disaster Emergency Readiness Team, a leader for Boy Scouts of America, a class representative for his alma mater Kamehameha Schools Class of 1948, and one of the founding members for the Hawai'i Rodeo Association, Hawai'i "Paniola" Hall of Fame; and

WHERAS Albert was interviewed and featured in magazines such as the Honolulu Magazine in the March 1999 issue, Best Jobs in Hawai'i, and in the Ko 'Olina Hawai'i Book published in 2011, and also the Wai'anae Hawaiian Civic Club cookbook published in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Albert is survived by his wife Suzzane Lionida Silva.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs 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, honoring the life of Albert (Alapaki) Hollis Silva a.k.a. the "Wai'anae Cowboy;" and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to 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