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Dear Dr. Kaneshiro,

The Board of Directors of the Hawaii United Okinawa Association (HUOA) voted last night to support the Genki Ala Wai project which will help to revitalize the waters and the environment of the Ala Wai Canal in seven years using EM (Effective Microorganisms) technology. Per the discussion and information shared by Hiromichi and Chikago Nago, the EM technology has its roots in Okinawa and has been successful in various projects both in Hawaii and other countries in the world. This project will help our community at large and will also be an educational endeavor as it will incorporate students in STEM collaboration (K-12), which will include those from our membership's families, to help address this environmental issue.

Please keep us informed of the progress of the project. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,


Jocelyn Ige
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Executive Director