

STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS
Business Registration Division
335 Merchant Street
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 40, Honolulu, Hawaii 96810



ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
(Section 414D-32, Hawaii Revised Statutes)

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY IN BLACK INK

The undersigned, desiring to form a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Hawaii, certify as follows:

I

The name of the corporation shall be :

ʻAwa Development Council

II

The mailing address of the corporation's initial principal office is:

PO Box 26344 ,Honolulu, Hawaii 96825

III

The corporation shall have and continuously maintain in the State of Hawaii a registered office and a registered agent. The agent may be an individual resident of Hawaii, a domestic entity or a foreign entity authorized to transact business in the State, whose business office is identical with the registered office.

a. The name (and state or country of incorporation, formation or organization, if applicable) of the corporation's registered agent in the State of Hawaii is:

Jonathan Yee

(Name of the Registered Agent)

(State/country)

b. The street address of the corporation's initial registered office in the State of Hawaii is:

[Redacted]

IV

The name and address of each incorporator is:

Name

Jonathan Yee

Address

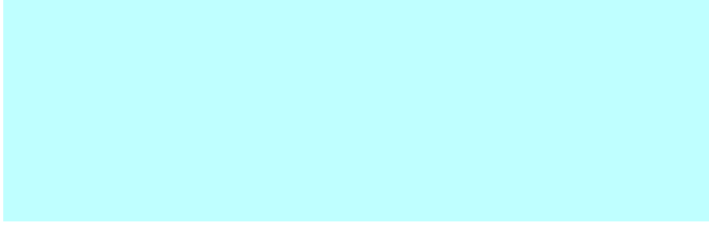
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Prof. Will McClatchey, Ph.D.

Kana Naipo

08/04/200440811

Prof. H.C. Bittenbender, Ph.D



Daren Kimura

V

Please check one:

The corporation has members.

The corporation has no members.

VI

The corporation is nonprofit in nature and shall not authorize or issue shares of stock. No dividends shall be paid and no part of the income or profit of the corporation shall be distributed to its members, directors, or officers, except for services actually rendered to the corporation, and except upon liquidation of its property in case of corporate dissolution.

The undersigned certifies under the penalties of Section 414D-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, that the undersigned has read the above statements and that the same are true and correct.

04

AUG 2004

Signed this _____ day of _____

Jonathan Yee

(Type/Print Name of Incorporator)

(Type/Print Name of Incorporator)

Jonathan Yee

(Signature of Incorporator)

(Signature of Incorporator)

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State of Hawaii

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT
(Section 414D-183, Hawaii Revised Statutes)

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY IN BLACK INK

The undersigned, duly authorized officers of the corporation submitting these Articles of Amendment, certify as follows:

1. The name of the corporation is:

ʻAwa Development Council

2. The amendment(s) adopted is attached

3. The amendment (s) was adopted on: January 18, 2005
(Month Day Year)

(Check one)

at a meeting of the **members**:

Designation (class) Of membership	Total Number of Memberships (votes) outstanding	Total Number of Votes Entitled to be Cast By each Class	Number of Votes Cast by each class For Amendment	Number of Votes Cast by each class Against Amendment

(The number of votes cast by each class is sufficient for approval by that class)

OR

by written consent of the **members** holding at least eighty per cent of the voting power.

OR

by a sufficient vote of the **Board of Directors** or **incorporators** because member approval was not required.

4. Check one

The written approval of a specified person or persons named in the articles of incorporation was obtained

The written approval of a specified person or persons is not required.

The undersigned certifies under the penalties of Section 414D-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, that the undersigned has read the above statements and that the same are true and correct.

Signed this 18 day of January, 2005

Jonathan Yee, President

(Type/Print Name & Title)

(Type/Print Name & Title)

(Signature of Officer)

(Signature of Officer)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE SIDE. The articles must be signed by at least one officer of the corporation.

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ATTACHMENT TO ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT

of

'Awa Development Council
(Corporate Name)

Replace ARTICLE V and ARTICLE VI of the original Articles of Incorporation with the following respective articles:

ARTICLE V.

Section 5.1 Purposes. The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, scientific and religious purposes, within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law).

Section 5.2 Restrictions. No part of the assets, funds, or earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any director or officer of the Corporation or any individual having a private interest in the activities of the Corporation. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. The Corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. The term "funds of the Corporation," as used herein, shall mean and include any properties and moneys held by the Corporation, including any income accumulated by the Corporation and any proceeds from the sale of any properties sold or otherwise disposed of by the Corporation.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, educational, scientific and religious purposes as a nonprofit corporation and the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on:

- (1) By a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law); or*
- (2) By a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law).*

Section 5.3. Membership. The Corporation shall have no members. The Board of Directors shall have the sole voting rights in the Corporation.

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ARTICLE VI.

Section 6.1 Nonprofit. *The Corporation is not organized for profit and it will not issue any stock, and no part of its assets, income, or earnings shall be distributed to its directors or officers, except for services actually rendered to the Corporation; provided, however, that the Corporation shall be empowered to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes for which it is organized and operated.*

Section 6.2 Corporate Liability. *The property of the Corporation shall alone be liable in law for the debts and liabilities of the Corporation. The officers and directors of the Corporation shall incur no personal liability for said debts and liabilities by reason of such position.*

Section 6.3 Corporate Dissolution. *If the Corporation shall cease to exist or shall be dissolved, all property and assets of the Corporation of every kind, after payment of its just debts, shall be distributed only to one or more public agencies, organizations, corporations, trusts or foundations having like purposes and organized and operated exclusively for charitable, scientific, literary, religious or educational purposes, no part of whose assets, income or earnings may be used for dividends or otherwise withdrawn or distributed to or inure to the benefit of any private individual and the activities of which do not include participation or intervention (including the publication or distribution of statements) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. In no event shall any distribution be made to any organization unless it qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law) with purposes similar or related to those of the Corporation.*

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: FEB - 3 2005

AWA DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
[REDACTED]
HONOLULU, HI 96825

Employer Identification Number:
20-1461197
DLN:
17053239001044
Contact Person:
MS K WILMER ID# 52405
Contact Telephone Number:
(877) 829-5500
Accounting Period Ending:
December 31
Public Charity Status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990 Required:
Yes
Effective Date of Exemption:
August 4, 2004
Contribution Deductibility:
Yes
Advance Ruling Ending Date:
December 31, 2008

Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. During your advance ruling period, you will be treated as a public charity. Your advance ruling period begins with the effective date of your exemption and ends with advance ruling ending date shown in the heading of the letter.

Shortly before the end of your advance ruling period, we will send you Form 8734, Support Schedule for Advance Ruling Period. You will have 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period to return the completed form. We will then notify you, in writing, about your public charity status.

Please see enclosed Information for Exempt Organizations Under Section 501(c)(3) for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

Letter 1045 (DO/CG)

AWA DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Sincerely,

Lois G Lerner

Lois G. Lerner
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

Enclosures: Information for Organizations Exempt Under Section 501(c)(3)
Form 872-C

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INFORMATION FOR ORGANIZATIONS EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 501(c)(3)

WHERE TO GET FORMS AND HELP

Forms and instructions may be obtained by calling toll free 1-800-829-3676, through the Internet Web Site at www.irs.gov, and also at local tax assistance centers.

Additional information about any topic discussed below may be obtained through our customer service function by calling toll free 1-877-829-5500 between 8:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Eastern time.

NOTIFY US ON THESE MATTERS

If you change your name, address, purposes, operations or sources of financial support, please inform our TE/GE Customer Account Services Office at the following address: Internal Revenue Service, P.O. Box 2508, Cincinnati, Ohio 45201. If you amend your organizational document or by-laws, or dissolve your organization, provide the Customer Account Services Office with a copy of the amended documents. Please use your employer identification number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

FILING REQUIREMENTS

In your exemption letter we indicated whether you must file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax. Form 990 (or Form 990-EZ) is filed with the Ogden Submission Processing Center, Ogden UT 84201-0027.

You are required to file a Form 990 only if your gross receipts are normally more than \$25,000.

If your gross receipts are normally between \$25,000 and \$100,000, and your total assets are less than \$250,000, you may file Form 990-EZ. If your gross receipts are over \$100,000, or your total assets are over \$250,000, you must file the complete Form 990. The Form 990 instructions show how to compute your "normal" receipts.

Form 990 Schedule A is required for both Form 990 and Form 990-EZ.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. There are penalties for failing to timely file a complete return. For additional information on penalties, see Form 990 instructions or call our toll free number.

If your receipts are below \$25,000, and we send you a Form 990 Package, follow the instructions in the package on how to complete the limited return to advise us that you are not required to file.

If your exemption letter states that you are not required to file Form 990, you

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are exempt from these requirements.

UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME TAX RETURN

If you receive more than \$1,000 annually in gross receipts from a regular trade or business you may be subject to Unrelated Business Income Tax and required to file Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. There are several exceptions to this tax.

1. Income you receive from the performance of your exempt activity is not unrelated business income.
2. Income from fundraisers conducted by volunteer workers, or where donated merchandise is sold, is not unrelated business income.
3. Income from routine investments such as certificates of deposit, savings accounts, or stock dividends is usually not unrelated business income.

There are special rules for income derived from real estate or other investments purchased with borrowed funds. This income is called "debt financed" income. For additional information regarding unrelated business income tax see Publication 598, Tax on Unrelated Business Income of Exempt Organizations, or call our toll free number shown above.

PUBLIC INSPECTION OF APPLICATION AND INFORMATION RETURN

You are required to make your annual information return, Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, available for public inspection for three years after the later of the due date of the return, or the date the return is filed. You are also required to make available for public inspection your exemption application, any supporting documents, and your exemption letter. Copies of these documents are also required to be provided to any individual upon written or in person request without charge other than reasonable fees for copying and postage. You may fulfill this requirement by placing these documents on the Internet. Penalties may be imposed for failure to comply with these requirements. Additional information is available in Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, or you may call our toll free number shown above.

FUNDRAISING

Contributions to you are deductible only to the extent that they are gifts and no consideration is received in return. Depending on the circumstances, ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not qualify as fully deductible contributions.

CONTRIBUTIONS OF \$250 OR MORE

Donors must have written substantiation from the charity for any charitable contribution of \$250 or more. Although it is the donor's responsibility to obtain written substantiation from the charity, you can assist donors by

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providing a written statement listing any cash contribution or describing any donated property.

This written statement must be provided at the time of the contribution. There is no prescribed format for the written statement. Letters, postcards and electronic (e-mail) or computer-generated forms are acceptable.

The donor is responsible for the valuation of donated property. However, your written statement must provide a sufficient description to support the donor's contribution. For additional information regarding donor substantiation, see Publication 1771, Charitable Contributions - Substantiation and Disclosure Requirements. For information about the valuation of donated property, see Publication 561, Determining the Value of Donated Property.

CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE THAN \$75 AND
CHARITY PROVIDES GOODS OR SERVICES

You must provide a written disclosure statement to donors who receive goods or services from you in exchange for contributions in excess of \$75.

Contribution deductions are allowable to donors only to the extent their contributions exceed the value of the goods or services received in exchange. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as fully deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. If your organization conducts fundraising events such as benefit dinners, shows, membership drives, etc., where something of value is received, you are required to provide a written statement informing donors of the fair market value of the specific items or services you provided in exchange for contributions of more than \$75.

You should provide the written disclosure statement in advance of any event, determine the fair market value of any benefit received, determine the amount of the contribution that is deductible, and state this information in your fundraising materials such as solicitations, tickets, and receipts. The amount of the contribution that is deductible is limited to the excess of any money (and the value of any property other than money) contributed by the donor less the value of goods or services provided by the charity. Your disclosure statement should be made, no later than, at the time payment is received. Subject to certain exceptions, your disclosure responsibility applies to any fundraising circumstances where each complete payment, including the contribution portion, exceeds \$75. For additional information, see Publication 1771 and Publication 526, Charitable Contributions.

EXCESS BENEFIT TRANSACTIONS

Excess benefit transactions are governed by section 4958 of the Code. Excess benefit transactions involve situations where a section 501(c)(3) organization provides an unreasonable benefit to a person who is in a position to exercise substantial influence over the organization's affairs. If you believe there may be an excess benefit transaction involving your organization, you should report the transaction on Form 990 or 990-EZ. Additional information can be

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found in the instructions for Form 990 and Form 990-EZ, or you may call our toll free number to obtain additional information on how to correct and report this transaction.

EMPLOYMENT TAXES

If you have employees, you are subject to income tax withholding and the social security taxes imposed under the Federal Insurance Contribution Act (FICA). You are required to withhold Federal income tax from your employee's wages and you are required to pay FICA on each employee who is paid more than \$100 in wages during a calendar year. To know how much income tax to withhold, you should have a Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate, on file for each employee. Organizations described in section 501(c)(3) of the Code are not required to pay Federal Unemployment Tax (FUTA).

Employment taxes are reported on Form 941, Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return. The requirements for withholding, depositing, reporting and paying employment taxes are explained in Circular E, Employer's Tax Guide, (Publication 15), and Employer's Supplemental Tax Guide, (Publication 15-A). These publications explain your tax responsibilities as an employer.

CHURCHES

Churches may employ both ministers and church workers. Employees of churches or church-controlled organizations are subject to income tax withholding, but may be exempt from FICA taxes. Churches are not required to pay FUTA tax. In addition, although ministers are generally common law employees, they are not treated as employees for employment tax purposes. These special employment tax rules for members of the clergy and religious workers are explained in Publication 517, Social Security and Other Information for Members of the Clergy and Religious Workers. Churches should also consult Publications 15 and 15-A. Publication 1828, Tax Guide for Churches and Religious Organizations, also discusses the various benefits and responsibilities of these organizations under Federal tax law.

PUBLIC CHARITY STATUS

Every organization that qualifies for tax-exemption as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) is a private foundation unless it falls into one of the categories specifically excluded from the definition of that term [referred to in section 509(a)(1), (2), (3), or (4)]. In effect, the definition divides these organizations into two classes, namely private foundations and public charities.

Public charities are generally those that either have broad public support or actively function in a supporting relationship to those organizations.

Public charities enjoy several advantages over private foundations. There are certain excise taxes that apply to private foundations but not to public charities. A private foundation must also annually file Form 990-PF, Return of Private Foundation, even if it had no revenue or expenses.

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The Code section under which you are classified as a public charity is shown in the heading of your exemption letter. This determination is based on the information you provided and the request you made on your Form 1023 application. Please refer to Publication 557 for additional information about public charity status.

GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS

The following information is provided for organizations that make grants to individuals. If you begin an individual grant program that was not described in your exemption application, please inform us about the program.

Funds you distribute to an individual as a grant must be made on a true charitable basis in furtherance of the purposes for which you are organized. Therefore, you should keep adequate records and case histories that demonstrate that grants to individuals serve your charitable purposes. For example, you should be in a position to substantiate the basis for grants awarded to individuals to relieve poverty or under a scholarship or education loan program. Case histories regarding grants to individuals should show names, addresses, purposes of grants, manner of selection, and relationship (if any) to members, officers, trustees, or donors of funds to you.

For more information on the exclusion of scholarships from income by an individual recipient, see Publication 520, Scholarships and Fellowships.

**Consent Fixing Period of Limitation Upon
Assessment of Tax Under Section 4940 of the
Internal Revenue Code**

(See instructions on reverse side.)

To be used with
Form 1023. Submit
in duplicate.

Under section 6501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, and as part of a request filed with Form 1023 that the organization named below be treated as a publicly supported organization under section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) or section 509(a)(2) during an advance ruling period,

Awa Development Council

(Exact legal name of organization as shown in organizing document)

PO box 26344, Honolulu, HI 96825

(Number, street, city or town, state, and ZIP code)

and the

District Director of
Internal Revenue, or
Assistant
Commissioner
(Employee Plans and
Exempt Organizations)

consent and agree that the period for assessing tax (imposed under section 4940 of the Code) for any of the 5 tax years in the advance ruling period will extend 8 years, 4 months, and 15 days beyond the end of the first tax year.

However, if a notice of deficiency in tax for any of these years is sent to the organization before the period expires, the time for making an assessment will be further extended by the number of days the assessment is prohibited, plus 60 days.

Ending date of first tax year **December 31, 2004**
(Month, day, and year)

Name of organization (as shown in organizing document) _____ Date _____

Awa Development Council

8-20-04

Officer or trustee having authority to sign

Signature ▶ 

Type or print name and title

Jonathan Yee, President

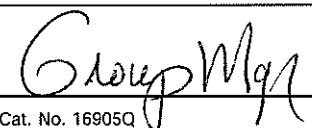
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District Director or Assistant Commissioner (Employee Plans and Exempt Organizations)

Date **FEB - 2 2005**



By ▶ 



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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
EO Rulings and Agreements
P O BOX 2508
CINCINNATI OH 45201

Date of this notice: November 10, 2008
Notice Number: CP-158
Taxpayer Identification Number:
20-1461197

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Advance Ruling Period Ending Date:
December 31, 2008



AWA DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
% JONATHAN YEE
[REDACTED]
HONOLULU HI 96825-2509022

For assistance, call:
1-877-829-5500

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Our records indicate that you were issued an advance ruling letter that treated you as a public charity, rather than a private foundation, during an advance ruling period that ends on the date indicated above. That letter required you to file IRS Form 8734 at the end of your advance ruling period to establish that you qualify as a public charity.

New IRS regulations changed the procedures governing your public charity status. You are no longer required to file Form 8734 at the end of the ruling period. The regulations also provide that donors can rely on your advance ruling letter with respect to your public charity status unless the IRS changes that status, based on the organization no longer meeting an applicable public support test, and publishes notice of the change.

If you have received Form 8734 from the IRS, please do not file it. Please keep your advance ruling letter along with this letter for your permanent records.

The regulations also changed the rules for computing public support, consistent with the redesigned Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax. For more information regarding those rules and the redesigned Form 990, please see the IRS website at www.irs.gov/eo.