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MESSAGE FROM U.S. SENATOR DANIEL K. AKAKA

It is with great pleasure that I extend my warmest aloha, congratulations and my mahalo to Mr. Genero Perez, Mr. Sam Mitchell and Mr. Steven Goo for your 30 years of dedicated service to the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard and our federal government.

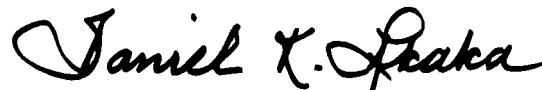
I also appreciate the efforts of Local Lodge 1998 of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers to recognize these three individuals for their years of service to this union organization. The honor you receive today is a well deserved tribute and indicative of the high esteem and aloha this local lodge and its membership have for you.

The professional knowledge you have acquired and the leadership skills you have developed over these 30 years have helped you rise to positions of great responsibility and trust both in the Shipyard and in this union. I understand that Mr. Perez is a first class nuclear mechanic at the Shipyard; Mr. Goo, an expert on pumps and valves, and Mr. Mitchell, a top senior professional on the Shipyard's submarine sail team. Indeed, each of you are valued for your dedication, knowledge and years of experience you bring to task in your service to the Shipyard and this local lodge.

In recognition of your service to our community, I am pleased to present to you a flag flown over our Nation's Capitol on September 25, 2009, in your honor.

Mahalo and my warmest aloha as you continue in service to our Shipyard, your co-workers and your brothers and sisters of this Local Lodge.

Aloha pumehana,



DANIEL K. AKAKA
U.S. Senator