

Resolution

No. 11-58

CONGRATULATING MAIKI TIHADA VIELA
FOR BEING NAMED TO THE PARADE ALL-AMERICA
HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM
AND FOR BEING INDUCTED INTO THE HAWAII HIGH
SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF HONOR

WHEREAS, basketball player Maiki Tihada Viela of Lahainaluna High School was named to the 35th Annual *Parade* All-America high school girls basketball team in May 2011 and was one of 12 athletes inducted into the Hawaii High School Athletic Hall of Honor on June 5, 2011 at the Sheraton Waikiki; and

WHEREAS, *Parade*, a Sunday-newspaper insert and the most widely read magazine in the United States, honors student-athletes for exceptional contributions to their sport; and

WHEREAS, since 1982 the Hawaii High School Athletic Hall of Honor has been recognizing students for athletic excellence; and

WHEREAS, Maiki's love of sports began early in her childhood when she began to play soccer, before turning to basketball; and

WHEREAS, Maiki's basketball prowess was seen early in her high school career, as she was named to the All-Maui Interscholastic League (MIL) second team as a freshman; and

WHEREAS, as a Lahainaluna sophomore, Maiki made the All-MIL first team, earned All-State honorable mention, and was regarded as a quick guard with a reliable jump shot; and

WHEREAS, in her junior year, Maiki's skills continued to improve as she steered Lahainaluna to its first-ever girls basketball State championship and she was selected Gatorade State Player of the Year, while being lauded as an outstanding three-point shooter and vocal team leader; and

WHEREAS, as a senior, Maiki managed to excel even more, as Lahainaluna's point guard once again received the Gatorade State Player of the Year award, was also recognized as the *Honolulu Star-Advertiser* Player of the Year, averaged more than 18 points per game despite an early-season back injury, led Lady Lunas to the MIL title, and was awarded the Lahainaluna High School Outstanding Athlete of the Year; and

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WHEREAS, Coach Todd Rickard, an eight-time MIL Coach of the Year, has supported and mentored Maiki, enabling her to attain excellence in the sport of basketball; and

WHEREAS, on May 22, 2011, Maiki graduated from Lahainaluna High School with honors; and

WHEREAS, she will attend Gonzaga University in the State of Washington on a full athletic scholarship, where she plans to study sports management and play for the Lady Zags' Division I basketball team; and

WHEREAS, the exceptional performance, inspiration, and dedication of Maiki Tihada Viela have brought pride and honor to the people of the County of Maui; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

1. That it hereby congratulates Maiki Tihada Viela for being named to the *Parade* All-America high school girls basketball team and for being inducted into the Hawaii High School Athletic Hall of Honor; and
2. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to Chad and Laurie Viela, Todd Rickard, Gordon Cockett, and Mayor Alan M. Arakawa.

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Robert Carroll
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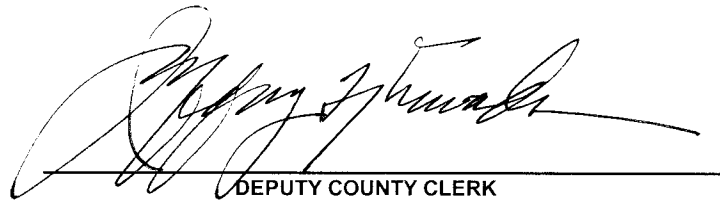
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

WAILUKU, HAWAII 96793

CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION

It is **HEREBY CERTIFIED** that **RESOLUTION NO. 11-58** was adopted by the Council of the County of Maui, State of Hawaii, on the 17th day of June, 2011, by the following vote:

MEMBERS	Dennis A. MATEO Chair	Joseph PONTANILLA Vice-Chair	Gladys C. BAISA	Robert CARROLL	Eleanora COCHRAN	Donald G. COUCH, JR.	G. Riki HOKAMA	Michael P. VICTORINO	Michael B. WHITE
ROLL CALL	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Excused	Aye	Aye	Aye


DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK