DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF HAWAI‘I (DPH)
MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

BACKGROUND: Historically, the Democratic Party of Hawaii has presented a “Meritorious Achievement Award (MAA)” at its biennial convention. The Award is intended to recognize publicly the significant achievements made to the Party organization by individuals at the grassroots level. The objective of the MAA was to stimulate participation at the grassroots level in the DPH, and to provide a means to recognize publicly the significant achievements made to the Party organization by the individual members.

The award shall consist of a perpetual plaque, suitably inscribed, to be displayed in the Party headquarters. The recipient will also receive a Koa Bowl (or equivalent keep sake). Presentation shall be made at such time as prescribed by the Party Chairperson at the DPH Convention. County nominees for the MAA will also be recognized with a “State Chairperson’s Certificate of Recognition.”

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:
1. Active participation in precinct and district level meetings and activities; in Democratic Party campaigns; in Party activities, and in community service.
2. The achievements of the nominee shall exemplify one or more of the following:
   a) Imaginative and creative solutions to difficult and complex problems of the Party;
   b) Extraordinary ability in accomplishing projects, or services, through outstanding leadership in planning, organizing, or directing a major project of importance and complexity, or in performing an extraordinary act that brings credit to the member and the Democratic Party;
   c) Long and distinguished Party membership.

NOMINATION PROCESS: Please submit nomination on the attached form by not later than the following dates:

By February 28, 2020, each precinct may nominate to its District one member for consideration by the District;
By March 15, 2020, each District will nominate one member from among the nominations it has received to its respective County Committee;
By March 30, 2020, each County Committee will nominate one member from among the nominations it has received from Districts for the MAA. E-mail the nomination form to: Convention2020@hawaiidemocrats.org. The DPH Party Chair shall recognize these nominees at the DPH Convention with a framed “State Chairperson’s Certificate of Recognition”.
By April 20, 2020, the Ad Hoc Awards Committee will select the nominee to receive the award.
By April 30, 2020, the Ad Hoc Awards Committee will provide to the Convention Booklet Committee the names of all nominees and the county they represent, including a 3”x5” headshot picture.
By May 24, 2020, the DPH Chair will present the MAA to the selected member and the State Chairperson’s Certificate of Recognition to all nominees submitted by the Counties at the DPH Convention.
SELECTION PROCESS FOR THE MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:

The DPH Chair will establish an Ad Hoc Awards Committee and appoint two co-chairs (male and female), and allow the co-chairs to appoint members of their committee. Its responsibility is to select the recipient of the “Meritorious Achievement Award” from among the nominations submitted by the County Chairs following the criteria established for this award; report its selection to the DPH Chair at least 30 days prior to the convention; purchase the type of awards, for example, koa bowl, frames and certificates; prepare the awards for presentation; and assist the DPH Chair in its presentation. The DPH general funds shall be used to pay for these items. The Ad Hoc Awards Committee co-chairs shall coordinate with the DPH Convention Co-Chairs the presentation of the awards.

Prepared by 2020 Convention Co-Chairs, January 17, 2020
NAME: _________________________________________ SENATORIAL DISTRICT__________

ADDRESS: ____________________________ REP DISTRICT __________

PHONE: HOME _________________ WORK _________________ CELL _________________

SPOUSE (NAME): ____________________________________________________________________

CHILDREN (NAMES):  ________________________________________________________________

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OCCUPATION: _____________________________________________________________________

PARTY ACTIVITIES (OFFICE HELD AND DATES): __________________________________________

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DATE OF PARTY MEMBERSHIP: ________________________________________

CONVENTIONS ATTENDED: ___________________________________________________________

OTHER POLITICAL ACTIVITIES (e.g., Campaigns, each election year): ______________________

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EXAMPLE OF AN MAGINATIVE AND CREATIVE SOLUTION TO A DIFFICULT AND COMPLEX
PROBLEM OF THE PARTY (Continue on reverse):

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EXAMPLE OF EXTRAORDINARY ABILITY IN ACCOMPLISHING A PROJECT, OR SERVICE,
THROUGH OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP IN PLANNING, ORGANIZING, OR DIRECTING A
MAJOR PROJECT OF IMPORTANCE AND COMPLEXITY OR IN PERFORMING AN EXTRAORDINARY
ACT THAT BRINGS CREDIT TO THE MEMBER AND THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY (Continue on reverse)

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: (Organizations, offices held):

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AWARDS AND/OR HONORS

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SUMMARIZE REASON FOR THIS NOMINATION ON REVERSE OR A SEPARATE 8"X11" PAPER.

Submitted by: _________________________________________
Representative District: ____ Precinct: _______
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Name of County Nominee: ___________________________________________________________