



Commendation

presented to

HENRY K. ALLEN

On behalf of the people of Hawai'i, we send our personal greetings of aloha and offer a warm mahalo for your lifelong contributions to music appreciation and education.

With a long and distinguished career as one of Hawai'i's premier musicians, you are acclaimed around the world for your legendary Hawaiian steel guitar performances. From the time you began performing professionally as a teenager, you have served as an ambassador of the aloha spirit. In addition, you are a champion of education, teaching the steel guitar in partnership with the Department of Education and in afterschool programs.

Your many accomplishments are a reflection of your talent, integrity and dedication to Hawai'i's signature sounds. You have been named as a master teacher by the Hawai'i Academy of Recording Arts and the State Foundation on the Culture and the Arts. Former Governor Ariyoshi praised your efforts in promoting travel and tourism in Hawai'i through your music, and in 2004, our Administration proudly proclaimed April 4, 2004 Henry Kaleialoha Allen Day.

We extend our congratulations for receiving the Legacy Lifetime Achievement Award for your work as a studio musician at this year's Hawai'i Music Awards. Henry, you serve as a positive role model, and we are sure this honor brings pride to you, your family and fellow musicians, especially steel guitarists. Best wishes for continued success in the future.

Aloha,

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