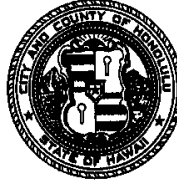


# **DEPARTMENT of PARKS & RECREATION**

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**CITY & COUNTY of HONOLULU**  
Mufi Hannemann, Mayor



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## **81<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL LEI DAY CELEBRATION GUINNESS WORLD RECORD WORLD'S LONGEST FRESH FLOWER/GARLAND LEI**

Have you ever participated in a Guinness World Record event? This is your chance to be part of a Guinness World Record! We invite you to be part of history and participate in the world's longest lei.

On Tuesday, April 15, 2008, Mayor Mufi Hannemann held a press conference announcing the City's attempt to establish a Guinness World Record for the world's longest fresh flower/garland lei.

At its 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Lei Day Celebration, on behalf of the City & County of Honolulu, the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) will attempt to establish the world's longest fresh flower lei. In order to accomplish this, DPR needs the assistance of the employees and citizens of the City & County of Honolulu. We can't do this on our own – we need you!

Our goal, although some may say is ambitious, is to make a one-mile long fresh flower lei. We estimate that it will take 1,800 (one-yard) lei from City & County of Honolulu employees and citizens to realize our goal.

Currently, there is no official Guinness World Record in this category. While any number of lei will establish a record, we are striving to establish a world record that will be difficult to break.

### **LEI INFORMATION:**

Lei should measure, from flower tip to flower tip, 36” (one yard) in length;  
Lei should be left untied and have at least 6 inches of string at each end for tying;  
Lei should be strung using durable thread;  
Lei can be made of any/all types of fresh flowers only;  
Lei must not have nonnatural materials or artificially treated materials **EXCEPT** artificial materials or treated materials, such as string, ribbon, dental floss, which may be used only to string/bind the lei.  
Lei should be able to be handled, tied and moved without falling apart.

### **LEI COLLECTION:**

Wednesday, April 30, 2008:

- Kapolei Hale, Room #309, 9:00 a.m. – Noon
- Honolulu Hale Courtyard, 9:00 a.m. – Noon
- Kapi‘olani Park, Kalākaua Avenue Tennis Courts/Comfort Station Area, 1-6:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 1, 2008

- Kapi‘olani Park, Kalākaua Avenue Tennis Courts/Comfort Station Area, 7-8:30 a.m.

### **LEI COUNT CERTIFICATION:**

Application forms to certify the numbers of lei submitted are necessary to complete the process. They will be available at drop-off sites and on-line.

### **PRESENTATION OF WORLD’S LONGEST LEI:**

May 1, 2008, 11:15 a.m., at Queen Kapi‘olani Regional Park, open field behind the Kalākaua Avenue, tennis courts/comfort station area. We’ve requested a Guinness World Record adjudicator be on site to declare the record.

Mayor Mufi Hannemann, the 2008 Lei Queen Paulette Kahalepuna accompanied by our Lei Day Celebration sponsors, Hawaiian Electric Company, and Times Super Market, will officially close the lei to establish the record.

### **WORLD’S LONGEST LEI VOLUNTEERS:**

Contact Sharon Tomita at (808) 768-3040.