



March 3, 2020

Dear Valued Supporters and Friends of the Honolulu Festival:

After much discussion and careful consideration over the past two weeks, I regret to inform you that the 26th annual Honolulu Festival is being canceled this year.

Festival officials, with support from the Honolulu Festival Foundation board of directors, made this difficult decision based on recommendations by the Centers for Disease Control, State of Hawaii and Japan's government advising that precautions be taken to prevent the spread of the corona virus, including the cancellation or postponement of large gatherings of people.

There are currently no cases of the coronavirus in Hawaii. However, considering the precautions and recommendations being made by government health officials to prevent the spread of the coronavirus, canceling this year's Honolulu Festival is the responsible action to help protect the public's safety.

We humbly apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your understanding and continued support.

Warmest Aloha,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hiroyuki Kitagawa".

Hiroyuki "Keith" Kitagawa
President