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Dear Mr. Young:

The Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA) Awards Program Committee is pleased to announce that the City and County of Honolulu, Office of the City Auditor's report, Audit of the City's Paratransit Service won the 2016 Distinguished Knighton Award in the Large Shop Category.

ALGA was founded in 1985 to serve auditors who specialize in working with local governments. ALGA members represent approximately 300 local government audit organizations. Unlike the majority of auditors who work within a single industry, local government auditors must work in an environment that encompasses a wide variety of industries. Local government auditors are committed to helping their governments improve service delivery to citizens while doing so more efficiently and effectively with the limited resources available. In making the award, the judges commented:

The audit examined an important service in the City—the delivery of paratransit services to individuals with disabilities. The audit identified significant ADA compliance issues and inefficient operations resulting in poor customer services. It was evident that a significant amount of audit work was performed to analyze the complex regulatory requirements and identify operational deficiencies. The report contains images, charts, and tables to present the information effectively, and includes both quantitative and qualitative findings to provide convincing evidence.

To encourage increasing levels of excellence among local government auditors, ALGA created the Knighton Award in 1995 to recognize the best performance audit reports produced by local government audit shops in the previous year. Each year, local government audit organizations submit their best performance audit report to be evaluated against five criteria: (1) an audit scope that has the potential for significant impact, and is responsive to the needs and concerns of decision-makers and/or the public; (2) audit conclusions that are persuasive, logical, and firmly supported by the evidence, which was gathered using appropriate research methods and tools; (3) audit recommendations that are feasible, and will make government programs more effective and efficient; (4) audit results that are communicated in a clear, concise way; and (5) an audit scope, methodology, recommendations, or report format that is innovative. Judges from peer organizations determined that the Office of the City Auditor's report was among the best of 2016.

Congratulations for receiving this award!

Sincerely,

David Givans, President
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