

Pua 'Iliahi

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He aloha nō, he aloha
Ka liko pua 'iliahi
E please mai ho'i 'oe ke aloha
'Oiai 'ano, ua meha

Here is my love
For my tender bud of sandalwood
It is for you, dear, take it,
All is tranquil and still

'Ano'ai wale ke 'ike aku
I ka malu 'ulu o Kawehiwahi
Ke kai hone hone nei i ku'u poli
Ke hone nei ku'u poli

Dear, it shall be to see
The shady breadfruit grove of Kawehi
And hear the sea speak softly to my heart
My dear heart.

Pehea kāua e ke hoa
Ka 'ano'i a ke aloha
Maile lau lipolipo i ka wao
Ka hanu 'a'ala o ku'u ipo

What shall we do, companion mine?
With this urgency, this love?
Like fragrance of maile deep in the forest
Is the breath of my darling

Ha'ina mai ka puana
Nā dew drops a ke aloha
Ha`ina hou ka puana
He aloha nō, he aloha

This is the end of my song
Of the dew drops of love
Again I offer my song
Song of love to my darling