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Senator Daniel K. Inouye Papers

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Mr. Spencer S. Shiraishi  
Maui Swim Club  
303 Niihau Street  
Kahului, Maui, Hawaii 96732

Dear Mr. Shiraishi:

I enclose herewith my tribute to Coach Sakamoto, together with a photograph, as requested by you.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to express my admiration for Coach Sakamoto.

Please accept also my congratulations to you, Mr. Luther Kahoalii and the other officers and members of the Maui Swim Club, in taking the initiative to sponsor this major swimming championships.

Aloha,

DANIEL K. INOUE  
United States Senator

Enclosures

The Coach Soichi Sakamoto Invitational bears the name of Hawaii's greatest swimming coach and life-long benefactor of Hawaii's youth.

His distinguished service as an educator and youth leader which began on Maui has touched the lives of countless youngsters. His many proteges and champions are now emulating and perpetuating the philosophy and principles of their devoted coach.

I consider it a great privilege to be able to pay tribute to this great and admirable man.

Aloha,

DANIEL K. INOUE  
United States Senator