

E 'Ike I Ka Nani A 'O Poli'ahu

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E 'ike I ka nani a 'O Poli'ahu
Ka wahine I ke anu, I ke kēhau 'O Mauna Kea

Kehakeha ka wahine I ka 'iu o luna
Kāhiko 'ia I ka māmane, 'ai a ka manu palila

Li'a au I ka wai ho'opulu I ka 'ili
Ka wai hu'ihu'i a ka ua Lilinoe

Noe mai kou aloha pili ku'u poli
E ka ipo noho I ka la'i I ka malu o ka 'ōpua

Puana e ka nani a 'O Poli'ahu
Ka wahine I ke anu I ke kēhau 'O Mauna Kea

*See/witness the beauty of Poli'ahu
The woman in the cold, in the snows of Mauna Kea*

*The woman is exalted high above
Adorned with the māmane blossoms, food for the palila bird*

*I yearn for the waters that wet my skin
The ice cold waters of the Lilinoe rains*

*Your love alights my heart like the mist
My sweetheart that dwells in the calm, protected by the clouds*

*Tell of the beauty of Poli'ahu
The woman in the cold, in the snows of Mauna Kea*