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HAWAII PIZZA HUT GRANTS NEARLY \$90,000 TO FUND SIX LOCAL LITERACY PROGRAMS

HONOLULU (June 15, 2005) – Continuing to give back to the community through the support of its “Carryout for Literacy” campaign, Hawaii Pizza Hut has awarded \$89,326 in grants to six Hawaii organizations that provide literacy programs:

Hawaii Public Television will receive a \$25,000 grant from Hawaii Pizza Hut to support its “Between the Lions” literacy program. The funds will be used to provide workshops to parents and teachers that help use “Between the Lions” as a springboard for other educational activities.

Kua O Ka La Public Charter School will use an \$18,500 grant from Hawaii Pizza Hut to create a space for a computer laboratory at the school by retrofitting two shipping containers. The retrofit will include building computer workstations, wiring for the computers and air conditioning.

Hui Malama Learning Center will purchase equipment for The ‘Ohana Center, a new gathering place for families in Wailuku, through a \$15,826 grant from Hawaii Pizza Hut. In partnership with the Wailuku Neighborhood Place, Hui Malama Learning Center will establish literacy programs at The ‘Ohana Center to better serve the community.

Springs of Living Water, which offers a literacy program to assist new immigrants from the Philippines and Micronesia with employment, will use a \$12,000 grant from Hawaii Pizza Hut to support the coordination of the program, space and utilities.

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The **Hawaii Branch of the International Dyslexia Association** will receive a \$10,000 grant from Hawaii Pizza Hut to support a teacher-training program that provides strategies for working with dyslexic students.

Island School will use an \$8,000 grant from Hawaii Pizza Hut to provide a five-week LANGUAGE! Clinic to 15 public or private school students who have fallen behind in school.

Hawaii Pizza Hut, a kama'aina company since 1971, has 46 locations in Hawaii, five in Guam, and one in Saipan. Hawaii Pizza Hut is a strong advocate for literacy, and since 1992, the company has successfully raised more than \$3,000,000 for Hawaii literacy programs through its popular "Carryout for Literacy" campaign.

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