



MESSAGE FROM LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR MAZIE K. HIRONO To Melanie Wong

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It is with great pleasure that I extend my sincere congratulations to you on your nomination as one of Hawaii's 2000 Ernst & Young Entrepreneurs of the Year!

Your dedication to Premium, Inc. exemplifies your spirit and will to succeed and has bestowed upon you this highly prestigious nomination. Entrepreneurs are key players in the New Economy. Innovative ideas coupled with determination and hard work can turn dreams into reality. Congratulations on being a great example of these principles at work!

Best wishes as you compete for the Regional Entrepreneur of the Year Award in the Wholesale/Distribution category. May you continue to succeed in all of your future endeavors.

Aloha,

MAZIE K. HIRONO