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Anjani "Kanaloa"

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Written by Anjani Thomas Based on the poem "Kanaloa" (Island of many names) by Delaina Thomas

'O Kanaloa nui o ka moana O Kanaloa, god of the ocean Ko'olua I ka pae 'opua This was your lover in a sea of clouds Hiki mai ka pu'ali malihini Then soldiers used her body E ho'olilo I kona pono For target practice through the war Ho'eha pau'ole, he huli kua They would not leave her, nor listen He'ai ho'okano a ke kolea The military had top priority Kalai hewa 'ia ka honua They carved her 'aina with guns and missiles Ho'opuehu wale ka puana And left a minefield as legacy Kanaloa, Kahikimoe Kanaloa, Kahikimoe Ua ala hou mai nei makou We have awakened on this place Me ke aloha Kaho'olawe You are cherished, Kaho'olawe A kau hou mai ka maluhia We will not rest until you're safe Poina 'ole na lei 'elua George and Kimo are remembered I na hana nui ho'opakele For their quest to set you free Nana e ho'oulu a'e ana They inspired a generation E ho'iho'i I kona hano To restore your dignity Kahikimoe, moe ke keiki Kahikimoe, the child is sleeping 'o'ili mai I ke kau 'opua Born in a sea of clouds Li'a nei pu'uwai e Kahikimoe

Our hearts are yearning, Kahikimoe E 'ike I ke alo hemolele To see you clear of the scars Ha'ina 'ia mai ana ka puana The story is told No ka moku I aloha 'ia Beloved island of many names Kohemalamalamaokanaloa Kohemalamalamaokanaloa Noho mai 'oe me ka hiehie Still you reign in sacred grace

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