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# Ka Makana Ali'i Welcomes Aunty's Hau Hale to the Center for West O'ahu

The Center's newest eatery specializes in Taiwanese style desserts with local influences like snow ice, shave ice, custard, and egg waffles

**KAPOLEI, HI** (April 9, 2024) — Ka Makana Ali'i welcomed Aunty's Hau Hale to the Center for West O'ahu on Thursday, February 6. The 887 square-foot shop in the theatre wing of the Center specializes in Taiwanese style desserts with locally inspired flavors and toppings. The menu features snow ice, shave ice, custard, smoothies, specialty drinks, and egg waffles in flavors like ube, green tea, milk tea, coffee, passion fruit, strawberry, mango, li hing, and more. Toppings for the snow ice and shave ice include tapioca, popping boba, grass jelly, azuki, mochi balls, condensed milk, fresh taro and more. Specialty drinks on the menu include fresh fruit tea, Thai iced tea, Vietnamese iced coffee or smoothies in flavors like taro, azuki, strawberry, passion fruit, mango and more.

"We are proud to welcome Aunty's Hau Hale to the Center for West O'ahu! It is a sweet addition to the Ka Makana Ali'i 'ohana and has already been well-received by our community," said Stephanie England, general manager of Ka Makana Ali'i. "We can't wait for everyone from around the island to discover the delicious Taiwanese style desserts that Aunty serves up!"

Owner Susend Chang, better known as "Aunty," also manages Aunty's Hotpot House at Ka Makana Ali'i, which serves up various broths, meats, and vegetables that guests cook in individual hot pots alongside delicious appetizers and its one-of-a-kind shave ice. Guests started asking Aunty if they could just order shave ice at Aunty's Hotpot House, which inspired Chang to get her business partners together and make Aunty's Hau Hale a reality.

"It was my mom's dream to open a shave ice shop in Taiwan, but my parent's hot pot restaurant was always busy, so she never got to," Chang said. "Thank you to Ka Makana Ali'i for giving me the opportunity to open this space!"

Aunty's Hau Hale is open on Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 12 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Follow them on Instagram at @auntyshauhale for all the latest updates.

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#### About Ka Makana Ali'i

Ka Makana Ali'i offers residents and visitors a family-friendly, mixed-use center in the heart of Hawai'i's fastest growing community. The 750,000-square-foot Macy's-anchored super-regional center features more than 100 exciting stores, restaurants, a state-of-the-art Consolidated Theatres and the state's first Hampton Inn & Suites by Hilton located on property. The newest development, The Grove at Ka Makana Ali'i, creates an additional 109,000 square feet of space with lifestyle retailers, eateries and services, such as 24 Hour Fitness, Foodland Farms, Straub Clinic and Urgent Care, and PetSmart. Serving as the premier gathering place in Kapolei, Ka Makana Ali'i fulfills the shopping and dining needs of the ever-expanding community. Its convenient location offers excellent highway access, ample parking and public transportation for shoppers. Ka Makana Ali'i is owned by Kapolei Hawaii Property Company, LLC, a joint venture between DeBartolo Development and OPTrust. Through an innovative partnership with Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Ka Makana Ali'i will financially support programs benefiting Native Hawaiian interests statewide for decades to come. For more information, please visit www.kamakanaalii.com.

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