

POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

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December 11, 1974

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111 South King Street
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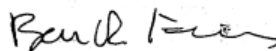
Dear Ms. Giddings:

The Polynesian Voyaging Society would now like to make formal application for support from Hawaii's foundations for the educational aspects of its project to build and sail a 60-foot long replica of an ancient Polynesian voyaging canoe to Tahiti and return as an official event of Hawaii's celebration of the United States Bicentennial.

Enclosed is a copy of the proposal for your use, copies for each of the foundations managed by Hawaiian Trust Company and additional proposal copies (minus copies of our charter of incorporation) for each foundation.

You will note that we have made a specific dollar request of each foundation to help meet our educational budget for 1975 of \$33,176. We would value your help and guidance in this matter. As we have noted in the letter, we would be glad to discuss the request with you and the foundations at any time. Please contact me if there are any questions, or if additional material is needed. I can be reached at 948-7649 (University of Hawaii); at 949-2956, ext. 329 (East-West Center); or through our executive director, Sandra Maile, at 841-3966 (Polynesian Voyaging Society office, Bishop Museum).

Sincerely,



Ben R. Finney
President

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BICENTENNIAL VOYAGE OF REDISCOVERY
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Lois C. Smouse
2nd Vice President and
Charitable Foundations Officer
Bishop Trust Company, Ltd.
140 South King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Ms. Smouse:

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INFORMATION SHEET

I. Names of trusts and foundations in Hawaii to which applications for grants are being made:

Juliette M. Atherton Trust	Frear Eleemosynary Trust
F.C. Atherton Trust	McInerny Foundation
H.K.L. Castle Foundation	G.N. Wilcox Trust
Samuel N. and Mary Castle Foundation	Alexander Tulloch Trust Estate
Charles M. and Anna C. Cooke Trust	George P. and Ida T. Castle Trust

II. Names of officers and directors of the Polynesian Voyaging Society:

OFFICERS

Ben R. Finney, Ph. D., President Professor of Anthropology, University of Hawaii/Research Associate, East West Center	Charles Thomas Holmes, Secretary Planner
Herbert Kawainui Kane, Vice President Artist-designer, Architectural designer	Les Warren, C.P.A., Treasurer

DIRECTORS

Page Kawelo Barber Program Director Children's Services Mental Health Assn.	David Lewis, M.D. Honorary Fellow Institute of Advance Studies Australian National University
Larry A. Burkhalter, J. D. Attorney	Frank Tabrah, M.D. Professor, School of Medicine University of Hawaii
Fred Cachola Director, Extension Education Division, Kamehameha Schools	Frank R. Wandell President Advertising Factors
Rudy Choy President Aikane Corporation	August Yee Executive Vice President Holiday Mart, Inc.
Kenneth P. Emory, Ph. D. Ledyard Professor of Anthropology, Bishop Museum	Benjamin B. C. Young, M. D. Assistant Dean, School of Medicine University of Hawaii
Kimo James C. Hugo Honolulu Fire Dept. Rescue Team	

III. Attachments:

a. Determination letter from IRS granting tax exempt status

- b. Charter of Incorporation of the Polynesian Voyaging Society
- c. Financial statement of the Polynesian Voyaging Society as of 30 June 1974
- d. Brief description of Scientific Experiments to be undertaken on voyage
- e. Photos of 40 ft. double-canoe at Canoe Workshop Kualoa Park
- f. Photos of 60 ft. canoe under construction

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STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES
Honolulu


I, the undersigned Director of Regulatory Agencies of the State of Hawaii, hereby certify that the attached is a true and exact copy of:

PETITION FOR CHARTER OF INCORPORATION
filed in this Department on September 12, 1973
and

CHARTER OF INCORPORATION
of
POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETY

granted on September 13, 1973.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed the seal of the Department of
Regulatory Agencies, at Honolulu, this 14th day
of September 1973.



Director of Regulatory Agencies

By


Corporation and Securities Administrator

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STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES
Business Registration Division
1010 Richards Street
Mailing address: P. O. Box 40, Honolulu, Hawaii 96810

In the Matter of the Incorporation)
of)
Polynesian Voyaging Society)

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PETITION FOR CHARTER OF INCORPORATION

The undersigned, a majority of whom are residents of the State of Hawaii, hereby petition, under the provisions of Section 416-19 and 416-20, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for a charter of incorporation, for themselves and their associates, as a non-profit corporation under the name of Polynesian Voyaging Society, and in connection herewith do hereby incorporate herein by reference thereto the accompanying proposed charter of incorporation wherein are set forth various matters required under Section 416-20 aforesaid.

Dated at Honolulu, Hawaii, this 6th day of
September, 1973.

Ben R. Finney
Ben R. Finney

Charles Thomas Holmes
Charles Thomas Holmes

Herbert Kawainui Kane
Herbert Kawainui Kane

STATE OF HAWAII)
 Ben R. Finney)
 Charles Thomas Holmes)
 Herbert Kawainui Kane)

Ben R. Finney, Charles Thomas Holmes, and Herbert Kawainui Kane, being first duly sworn on oath, depose and say that they are the petitioners above named, that they have read the foregoing petition and attached proposed charter of incorporation and know the contents thereof; and that the matters and statements therein set forth are true to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Ben R. Finney
 Ben R. Finney
Charles Thomas Holmes
 Charles Thomas Holmes
Herbert Kawainui Kane
 Herbert Kawainui Kane

Subscribed and sworn to
 before me this 6th
 day of September,
 1975.

Clair M. Rayburn
 Notary Public, First

Judicial Circuit
 State of Hawaii.
 My commission expires: 11-19-76

Mailing address: P. O. Box 40, Honolulu, Hawaii 96810

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of
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CHARTER OF INCORPORATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

I, the undersigned Director of Regulatory Agencies
of the State of Hawaii, send Greeting:

WHEREAS, Den R. Finney, Charles Thomas Holmes, and Herbert Kawainui Kane, a majority of whom are residents of the State of Hawaii, have filed with me as Director of Regulatory Agencies a verified petition to grant to them and their associates a charter of incorporation as a non-profit corporation, in accordance with the provisions of Section 416-20, Hawaii Revised Statutes:

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW YE, That I, the said Director,
in the exercise and execution of every power and authority,
in anywise enabling me in this behalf, do hereby constitute
the said petitioners and their associates a corporation
under the laws of the State of Hawaii for the purposes and
in the form hereinafter set forth.

I

The name of the corporation shall be Polynesian
Voyaging Society.

II'

The location of the principal office of the corporation shall be in Honolulu, State of Hawaii, and

the specific address of its initial office shall be
2467 Aha Aina Place, Honolulu, Hawaii 96821.

III

The purposes of this corporation are (1) to sponsor, or conduct, or both, research on the manner in which Polynesian seafarers settled Hawaii and other Pacific Islands by investigating through experimental and other means the canoes, navigation systems and other technical and cultural factors that enabled the Polynesians to undertake successful voyages of discovery and settlement, (2) and to disseminate the resultant research findings by producing or publishing, or both, articles in scientific journals, books, films and other instruments of communication in order to inform the public about Polynesian voyaging, and to make available data that might be useful to scientists and others engaged in maritime endeavors.

IV

The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.

V

The officers shall consist of:

1. President - Ben R. Finney 2467 Aha Aina Place
Honolulu, HI. 96821
2. Vice President - Herbert Kawainui Kane
2609 Ala Wai Boulevard
Apartment #801
Honolulu, HI. 96815
3. Secretary - Charles T. Holmes
3885 Round Top Drive
Honolulu, HI. 96822
4. Treasurer - August Akim Yee
1447 Ohialoke Street
Honolulu, HI. 96821

There shall be a board of directors consisting of not less than three members. The following persons shall be the initial directors. Such directors shall hold office for the first year and shall elect the initial officers until their successors are duly elected pursuant to the by-laws of the corporation.

<u>Directors</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence Address</u>
Member	Ben R. Finney	[REDACTED] Honolulu, Hawaii 96821
Member	Herbert Kawainui Kane	[REDACTED] Honolulu, Hawaii 96815
Member	Charles T. Holmes	[REDACTED] Honolulu, Hawaii 96822
Member	Larry A. Burkhalter	[REDACTED] Honolulu, Hawaii 96817
Member	Paige Kawelo Barber	[REDACTED] Kailua, Hawaii 96737
Member	Fred Cachola, Jr.	[REDACTED] Waianae, Hawaii 96792
Member	Rudy Choy	[REDACTED] Honolulu, Hawaii 96821
Member	Kenneth P. Emory	[REDACTED] Honolulu, Hawaii 96817
Member	Kimo (James) C. Hugbo	[REDACTED] Honolulu, Hawaii 96816
Member	Frank L. Tabrah	[REDACTED] Honolulu, Hawaii 96814
Member	August Akim Yee	[REDACTED] Honolulu, Hawaii 96821

<u>Directors</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence Address</u>
Member	Benjamin B.C. Young	[REDACTED] Pearl City, Hawaii 96782
At Large	David Lewis	Anthropology Department Australian National University Box 4, P.O. Canberra, A.C.T., 2600 Australia

VII

The corporation shall have all the powers provided by law.

VII

The corporation is not organized for profit, it will not issue any stock, and no part of its assets, income, or earnings shall be distributed to its members, directors, or officers, except for services actually rendered to the corporation. Upon dissolution, all of the assets of the corporation after payment of its just debts, shall be transferred or distributed to an organization or organizations as shall at that time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

IX

The corporation is not a private foundation within the meaning of Section 508(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the Department of Regulatory Agencies, at Honolulu, this 13th day of September, 19 73.


Director of Regulatory Agencies


By James G. [Signature]
Corporation & Securities Administrator

POLYNESIAN VOYAGING SOCIETYTREASURER'S REPORT
JUNE 30, 1974

	January 1, 1974 To June 30, 1974	Inception To Date
REVENUES:		
Membership dues.....	\$ 5,289.87	\$ 8,266.90
T-Shirt sales.....	1,245.56	1,245.56
Poster sales.....	1,960.80	1,960.80
Other contributions:		
National Geographic Magazine.....		2,000.00
Hawaii Bicentennial Commission.....	7,000.00	7,000.00
Dodd Publishing Company.....	10,000.00	10,000.00
Stock contribution.....	4,918.64	4,918.64
Interest.....	63.31	93.78
TOTAL.....	<u>30,478.18</u>	<u>35,485.68</u>
EXPENDITURES:		
Canoe construction:		
Designing.....	1,770.00	1,770.00
Materials and supplies.....	2,279.62	2,279.62
Labor.....	953.28	953.28
TOTAL.....	<u>5,002.90</u>	<u>5,002.90</u>
Other:		
T-Shirt.....	4,421.20	6,237.70
Posters.....	1,791.89	1,791.89
Advertising and promotion.....	311.83	311.83
Taxes.....	64.67	64.67
Office supplies and postage.....	284.52	284.52
Secretarial services.....	175.00	175.00
Meeting expenditures.....	182.03	182.03
Workshop canoe supplies.....	841.04	841.04
Insurance.....	529.80	529.80
TOTAL.....	<u>8,601.98</u>	<u>10,418.48</u>
TOTAL.....	<u>13,604.88</u>	<u>15,421.38</u>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES.....	<u>\$16,873.30</u>	<u>\$20,064.30</u>
CASH BALANCES - JUNE 30, 1974:		
Savings account - Pioneer Federal.....		\$17,350.68
Checking account - Bank of Honolulu...		2,673.62
Petty cash.....		40.00
TOTAL.....		<u>\$20,064.30</u>

A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SCIENTIFIC EXPERIMENTS TO BE CONDUCTED DURING VOYAGE

Canoe Performance Because of lack of reliable data, much debate has been generated on the performance of Polynesian voyaging canoes. Such debate, necessarily based on speculation, affects our interpretation of all other evidence relating to the settlement of Polynesia. By building a canoe based on known Polynesian hull shape, assembly method, and sail plan, and measuring its performance by the sophisticated measurement systems which are available today, better estimates can be made of Polynesian maritime capabilities. See "Wa, Vinta, and Trimaran," by Edwin Doran Jr., in B. Finney (ed) Pacific Voyaging and Navigation, The Polynesian Voyaging Society, 1974, for the methodology of measuring canoe performance.

Navigation Without Instruments All that is known about Polynesian navigation systems is being studied. Training will be conducted at the Bishop Museum Planetarium and in Hawaiian waters. The navigation experiment, conducted over the longest sea-route in Polynesia, will be put to the stern test of landfall. Position of the canoe during the experiment will be documented via radio by a shadowing vessel (The Oceanic Society's New World). Maritime institutions other groups interested in emergency navigation procedures would find data from these experiments useful, as would scientists working on problems of Polynesian voyaging. See We, the Navigators, (University of Hawaii Press, 1973) by Dr. David Lewis (who will be in charge of the navigation experiment) for a comprehensive treatment of Polynesian navigations systems and gaps in our knowledge about them that could be filled through experimental research.

Survival The re-enactment of an ancient voyage will also provide scientists with the opportunity to assess survival problems through nutritional and other

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physiological experiments involving measurement of food and water intake and physiological response to stress on the voyage. A major effort, involving both private and government groups in Hawaii, under the direction of Dr. Frank Tabrah of the University of Hawaii Medical School is now underway to revive ancient ways of preparing voyaging foods and to assess their nutritional content. Fishing experiments, using traditional Polynesian techniques, as well as rain-water catching experiments, will further add to this effort to gain data on survival at sea that will be a practical value as well as important for solving problems of Polynesian voyaging and settlement.

Plants and Animals Without the evidence that the first Polynesian settlers brought more than twenty plants and several domestic animals to Hawaii from the South Pacific, it would be difficult to believe that such a feat could be accomplished in open canoes over thousands of miles of sea water. Experiments will be constructed to help us learn how these feats were accomplished. Under the direction of Dr. Douglas Yen of the Bishop Museum, plants...mostly as slips and cuttings...will be carried aboard the canoe, as will Polynesian dogs (from a breeding experiment conducted at the Honolulu Zoo by Jack Throp, Director), chickens and pigs, in order to obtain first-hand data on viability problems in transporting these essential plants and animals.

NOTE;

This booklet was prepared in November 1974.
The following progress in the project since
that date can be recorded:

- 1) The Polynesian Voyaging Society has raised \$35,000, or over half of what is needed to build the voyaging canoe.
- 2) The construction of the voyaging canoe began in May, and is approximately one-third completed.
- 3) The Polynesian Voyaging Society now has over 500 members, giving it a broad community base.
- 4) The project has been endorsed by numerous community groups, including the University of Hawaii Committee for the Preservation of Hawaiian Language and Culture and all the Hawaiian Civic Clubs.

PRINCIPAL CHARITABLE
FOUNDATIONS IN HONOLULU
The Hawaiian Foundation Committee
The Hawaiian Foundation
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96802

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Juliette M. Atherton Trust
c/o Hawaiian Trust Co., Ltd.
P. O. Box 3170
Honolulu, Hawaii 96802 \$3,000

Mr. A. S. Atherton
F. C. Atherton Trust
c/o Hawaiian Trust Co., Ltd.
P. O. Box 3170
Honolulu, Hawaii 96802 \$4,500

Mr. James C. Castle, President
H. K. L. Castle Foundation (1 meeting annually)
c/o Kaneohe Ranch Company
Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744 \$4,500

Mr. W. Donald Castle, President
Samuel N. and Mary Castle Foundation
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P. O. Box 3170
Honolulu, Hawaii 96802 \$4,500

George P. and Ida T. Castle Trust
c/o Hawaiian Trust Company, Ltd.
P. O. Box 3170
Honolulu, Hawaii 96802 \$1,500

Mr. Richard A. Cooke, Jr., President
Charles M. and Anna C. Cooke, Ltd. Suite 1212
c/o Hawaiian Trust Company, Limited 745 Fort Street
P. O. Box 3170 Honolulu 96813
Honolulu, Hawaii 96802 \$3,500

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P. O. Box 2390
Honolulu, Hawaii 96804 \$4,500

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G. N. Wilcox Trust
P. O. Box 2390
Honolulu, Hawaii 96804 \$3,000

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Elsie A. Wilcox Foundation
P. O. Box 2390
Honolulu, Hawaii 96804

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Address any reply to: P.O. Box 231, Los Angeles, Calif. 90053
Department of the Treasury
 LA-50-74-300
District Director
Internal Revenue Service
 Date: FEB 27 1978 (in reply refer to Earl Knight)
 L-391, Code 4211-209-7B
 Determinations Section (213) 688-4552
 Polynesian Voyaging Society
 2667 the Alina Place
 Honolulu, Hawaii 96821

Accounting Period Ending: December 31
 Form 990 Required: ☒ Yes ☐ No
 Advance Ruling Period Ends: December 31, 1978

Based on the information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably be expected to be a publicly supported organization of the type described in section 509(b)(1)(A)(v).

Accordingly, you will be treated as a publicly supported organization, and not as a private foundation, during an advance ruling period. This advance ruling period begins on the date of your inception and ends on the date shown above.

Within 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period, you must submit to us information needed to determine whether you have met the requirements of the applicable support test during the advance ruling period. If you establish that you have been a publicly supported organization, you will be classified as a section 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) organization so long as you continue to meet the requirements of the applicable support test. If, however, you do not meet the public support requirements during the advance ruling period, you will be classified as a private foundation for future periods. Also, in the event you are classified as a private foundation, you will be treated as a private foundation from the date of your inception for purposes of sections 507(d) and 4940.

Grantors and donors may rely on the determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. In addition, if you submit the required information

within the 90 days, grantors and donors may continue to rely on the advance determination until the Service makes a final determination of your foundation status. However, if notice that you will no longer be treated as a section 509(a)(1)(A)(v) organization is published in the Internal Revenue Bulletin, grantors and donors may not rely on this determination after the date of such publication. Also, a grantor or donor may not rely on this determination if he was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act that resulted in your loss of section 509(a)(1)(A)(v) status, or acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would be removed from classification as a section 509(a)(1)(A)(v) organization.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

You are not liable for social security (FICA) taxes unless you file a waiver of exemption certificate as provided in the Federal Insurance Contributions Act. You are not liable for the taxes imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other Federal excise taxes. If you have any questions concerning these taxes, please let us know.

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation is changed, you should let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your status. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

If the yes box at the top of this letter is checked, you are required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, only if your gross receipts each year are normally more than \$5,000. The return is due by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. The law imposes a penalty of \$10 a day, up to a maximum of \$5,000, for failure to file the return on time.

You are not required to file Federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 513 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, a number will be assigned to you and you will be advised of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

Sincerely yours,
 W. F. Carmichael
 Acting District Director
 Form L-391 (4-73)

See attached

Form L-391 (4-73)

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A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SCIENTIFIC EXPERIMENTS TO BE CONDUCTED DURING VOYAGE

Canoe Performance Because of lack of reliable data, much debate has been generated on the performance of Polynesian voyaging canoes. Such debate, necessarily based on speculation, affects our interpretation of all other evidence relating to the settlement of Polynesia. By building a canoe based on known Polynesian hull shape, assembly method, and sail plan, and measuring its performance by the sophisticated measurement systems which are available today, better estimates can be made of Polynesian maritime capabilities. See "Wa, Vinta, and Trimaran," by Edwin Doran Jr., in B. Finney (ed) Pacific Voyaging and Navigation, The Polynesian Voyaging Society, 1974, for the methodology of measuring canoe performance.

Navigation Without Instruments All that is known about Polynesian navigation systems is being studied. Training will be conducted at the Bishop Museum Planetarium and in Hawaiian waters. The navigation experiment, conducted over the longest sea-route in Polynesia, will be put to the stern test of landfall. Position of the canoe during the experiment will be documented via radio by a shadowing vessel (The Oceanic Society's New World). Maritime institutions other groups interested in emergency navigation procedures would find data from these experiments useful, as would scientists working on problems of Polynesian voyaging. See We, the Navigators, (University of Hawaii Press, 1973) by Dr. David Lewis (who will be in charge of the navigation experiment) for a comprehensive treatment of Polynesian navigations systems and gaps in our knowledge about them that could be filled through experimental research.

Survival The re-enactment of an ancient voyage will also provide scientists with the opportunity to assess survival problems through nutritional and other

physiological experiments involving measurement of food and water intake and physiological response to stress on the voyage. A major effort, involving both private and government groups in Hawaii, under the direction of Dr. Frank Tabrah of the University of Hawaii Medical School is now underway to revive ancient ways of preparing voyaging foods and to assess their nutritional content. Fishing experiments, using traditional Polynesian techniques, as well as rain-water catching experiments, will further add to this effort to gain data on survival at sea that will be a practical value as well as important for solving problems of Polynesian voyaging and settlement.

Plants and Animals Without the evidence that the first Polynesian settlers brought more than twenty plants and several domestic animals to Hawaii from the South Pacific, it would be difficult to believe that such a feat could be accomplished in open canoes over thousands of miles of sea water. Experiments will be constructed to help us learn how these feats were accomplished. Under the direction of Dr. Douglas Yen of the Bishop Museum, plants...mostly as slips and cuttings...will be carried aboard the canoe, as will Polynesian dogs (from a breeding experiment conducted at the Honolulu Zoo by Jack Throp, Director), chickens and pigs, in order to obtain first-hand data on viability problems in transporting these essential plants and animals.

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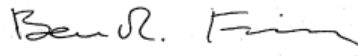
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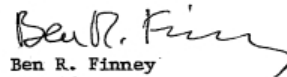
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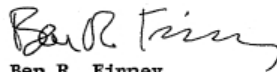
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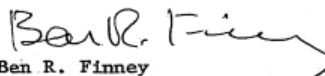
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Navigation Without Instruments All that is known about Polynesian navigation systems is being studied. Training will be conducted at the Bishop Museum Planetarium and in Hawaiian waters. The navigation experiment, conducted over the longest sea-route in Polynesia, will be put to the stern test of landfall. Position of the canoe during the experiment will be documented via radio by a shadowing vessel (The Oceanic Society's New World). Maritime institutions and other groups interested in emergency navigation procedures would find data from these experiments useful, as would scientists working on problems of Polynesian voyaging. See We, the Navigators, (University of Hawaii Press, 1973) by Dr. David Lewis (who will be in charge of the navigation experiment) for a comprehensive treatment of Polynesian navigations systems and gaps in our knowledge about them that could be filled through experimental research.

Survival The re-enactment of an ancient voyage will also provide scientists with the opportunity to assess survival problems through nutritional and other

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Plants and Animals Without the evidence that the first Polynesian settlers brought more than twenty plants and several domestic animals to Hawaii from the South Pacific, it would be difficult to believe that such a feat could be accomplished in open canoes over thousands of miles of sea water. Experiments will be constructed to help us learn how these feats were accomplished. Under the direction of Dr. Douglas Yen of the Bishop Museum, plants...mostly as slips and cuttings...will be carried aboard the canoe, as will Polynesian dogs (from a breeding experiment conducted at the Honolulu Zoo by Jack Throp, Director), chickens and pigs, in order to obtain first-hand data on viability problems in transporting these essential plants and animals.

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III. Attachments:

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A. Determination letter from IRS granting tax exempt status

DOCUMENTS CAPTURED AS RECEIVED

- b. Charter of Incorporation of the Polynesian Voyaging Society
- c. Financial statement of the Polynesian Voyaging Society as of 30 June 1974
- d. Brief description of Scientific Experiments to be undertaken on voyage
- e. Photos of 40 ft. double-canoe at Canoe Workshop Kualoa Park
- f. Photos of 60 ft. canoe under construction