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Nainoa Hoe Scholarship of Honor Presents 3rd Annual Award

SCHOFIELD BARRACK, Hawaii - U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii will host the 3rd annual Nainoa Hoe Scholarship of Honor award presentation August 28, at 4:00 pm at the 1LT Nainoa K. Hoe Battle Command Training Center at Schofield Barracks.

Each year the Nainoa Hoe Scholarship, honoring the life of 1Lt. Nainoa Hoe, a 25th Infantry Division Soldier killed in Iraq in 2005, is awarded to a Hawaii high school student who excels in the Junior Reserve Officer Training (JROTC) Program and who is seen as exemplifying the "Tropic Lightning" spirit.

This year's recipient, Mikael Anthony Torres, a 2009 graduate of Waipahu High School, served as the Cadet Battalion Commander for Waipahu High's JROTC program and is currently a freshman at the University of Hawaii. Torres is the son of Army Sgt. Maj. Anthony Torres and Staff Sgt. Jean Torres.

In addition to the Hoe Scholarship of Honor, Torres will also receive a \$1,000 endowment from the Brian LaViolette Scholarship Foundation, a scholarship in honor of America's fallen war heroes given to students interested in pursuing military or public service.

"When a young person possesses the natural traits and abilities we've seen in so many great leaders throughout our nation's history, it is important to recognize and nurture those qualities" said Col. Matthew T. Margotta, U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii, commander. "It is a small investment in America's future which has so often proven to pay huge dividends, and we are pleased to be a part of this presentation ceremony."

MEDIA NOTE: Media wishing to attend should RSVP by 4:30 p.m., August 28. Those seeking more information may call Loran Doane, Media Relations Chief, U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii Public Affairs at (808) 656-3157 or preferred cell (317) 847-2222.