

Blow PU three times

Bride and Groom, On this beautiful day in Wailea, you have chosen to affirm your love for each other with spoken words and with the sharing of symbols.

Marriage offers opportunities for sharing and growth no other relationship can equal, a physical and emotional joining that is promised for a lifetime.

We hear the word ALOHA all the time, and yes, it means hello, goodbye, and love. But at it's root are two words, ALO and HA. ALO, to be present in the moment, and HA, the breath of life. May you take this moment to gaze at each other, be present and to breathe in the ocean air.

#### DECLARATION OF INTENTION

Groom, do you wish for Bride to be known as your wife? If so, please say, "I do."

Bride, do you wish for Groom to be known as your husband?  
If so, please say, "I do."

For those of us who call Hawaii our home, the flower lei is a symbol of love. It is also a symbol of things that are fragile. A flower lei will last a day or two and then it is gone. Our lives are like the lei within the span of eternity; therefore, live with tender consideration for each other, continue to love one another and your marriage will last. May the leis you now offer each other, be recognized for the love that you have for one another.

(one at a time place the lei – make sure it is half in front and half in back)

The Hawaiian's have a traditional saying, "Honi ka waha" : to kiss on the mouth.

-HONI KA WAHA!

Groom, please repeat your marriage vows.

I, Groom take you Bride as my wife.

I promise to love you, honor you, and cherish you.

I will be a companion to you.

I will share my strengths and my achievements.

I promise to respect you and be there for you

for better or for worse,  
for richer or for poorer,  
in sickness and in health  
as long as we both shall live.

Bride, please repeat after me.

I, Bride take you Groom as my husband.

I promise to love you, honor you, and cherish you.

I will be a companion to you.

I will share my strengths and my achievements.

I promise to respect you and be there for you

for better or for worse,

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MAY I HAVE THE RINGS PLEASE

The wedding rings are a symbol of longevity. The circle of the ring symbolizes a never ending circle of love and commitment that you are making.

Always see the best in each other and each day that you are together. Let it be full of the beauty of the never ending love you have for each other. I'm reminded of a story a fisherman once told my wife as she was leaving the beach. It was some of the best advice we've ever received.

Look at your rings. They are shiny and new and perfect - like today. But

there are times when we may not be so happy and perfect. There are times when we may disagree with each other. Like our wedding rings, sometimes our relationship gets dented or scratched, but in those moments, take off your wedding ring and look at the inside that has been against your skin. It will be as perfect as today. Always remember today and this commitment to love and to each other. This is forever.

#### GIVE RING TO GROOM

Groom, Please repeat after me:

Bride, I give this ring to you as a sign of my love.

I give myself to you to be your husband

so that from this day forward

you shall not walk alone.

I feel so honored to have you as my wife.

I vow to love and sustain you in our marriage from this day forward.

(have groom bless the ring with a kiss)

Bride, please repeat after me:

Groom, I give this ring to you as a sign of my love.

I give myself to you to be your wife

so that from this day forward

you shall not walk alone.

I feel so honored to have you as my husband.

I vow to love and sustain you in our marriage from this day forward.

As you stand beside the ocean tide, may your love always be as constant as these never-ending waves; Your love came softly upon each others heart, just as the foam comes softly upon the sand, and just as there will never be a morning without the ocean's flow, there will never be a day without love for each other. For the two of you, home isn't a place. It is a person. And you are finally home.

#### PRONOUNCEMENT

##### (GRAB THE PU)

Bride & Groom, You have pledged your love for each other with spoken words and with the exchange of rings. Therefore, by the authority granted to me by the State of Hawaii I pronounce you Husband and Wife. Groom, you may kiss your beautiful bride. (blow Pu)

**I am pleased to announce for the first time Mr. & Mrs. Last Name!!!**