Hawai'i 78

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Ua mau, ke ea o ka aina, i ka pono, o Hawai'i Ua mau, ke ea o ka aina, i ka pono, o Hawai'i (The Life of the Land is Perpetuated in Righteousness)

If just for a day our king and queen Would visit all these islands and saw everything How would they feel about the changes of our land

Could you just imagine if they were around And saw highways on their sacred grounds How would they feel about this modern city life

Tears would come from each others eyes As they would stop to realize That our people are in great great danger now How, would they feel, could their smiles be content, then cry

Cry for the gods, cry for the people Cry for the land that was taken away And then yet you'll find, Hawai'i

Could you just imagine they came back And saw traffic lights and railroad tracks How would they feel about this modern city life

Tears would come from each others eyes As they would stop to realize That our land is in great great danger now

All the fighting that the king had done To conquer all these islands now these condominiums How would he feel if he saw Hawai'i nei How, would he feel, would his smile be content, then cry

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