In closing this special issue on Indigenous Leadership in Marine Conservation, we welcome you to listen to a well-known chant of gratitude from Hawai‘i written and composed by Kēhau Camara and shared by Kalani Quiocho, a Kanaka ‘Ōiwi.

Oli Mahalo

‘Uhola ‘ia ka makaloa lā  
Pū ‘ai i ke aloha ā  
Kūka‘i ‘ia ka hā loa lā  
Pāwehi mai nā lehua  
Mai ka hoʻoku‘u i a ka hālāwai lā  
Mahalo e nā akua  
Mahalo e nā kupuna lā, ‘eā  
Mahalo me ke aloha lā  
Mahalo me ke aloha lā

The makaloa mat has been unfurled  
In love, sustenance was shared  
The great breath has been exchanged  
The lehua honors and adorns  
From zenith to horizon  
Gratitude and thanks to the godly entities  
Gratitude and thanks to our beloved ancestors  
Gratitude, admiration, thanks and love, to all who are present, both seen and unseen

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