

Noho Paipai

Pupue iho au e mehana
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Hone ana 'o Uese i ku'u poli

I crouch down to keep warm Thoughts of my Sweetie tease my heart

C C7 F C Me he ala nō e 'ī mai ana D7 G7 C 'Auhea ku'u lei roselani

As though saying to me Give me your attention, oh my roselani lei

C C7 F C
Malihini 'oe, malihini au
D7 G7 C
Ma ka ihu kāua kama 'āina

You are a stranger, I am a stranger too By means of a kiss, we are acquainted

C C7 F C
Inā 'o you me a'u
P7 G7 C
Kau pono i ka noho paipai

If you were here with me We would rock together on a rocking chair

C C7 F C
Ha'ina 'ia mai ka puana
P7 G7
Hone ana 'o Uese i ku'u poli

This is the end of my song Dreams of my Sweetie tease my heart

This "rocking chair hula" was a traditional piece in Hawaiian song popularized by Johnny Almeida in the mid '40s. Translation by Mary Kawena Pukui.