

Key: G Tempo: 115 BPM

Intro: Mike count in, steel/4, G/8 Am7/8,
G/4 D7/4 G/4 D7/4 G/4

Lei Pua Kenikeni

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G/12 Am7/8
No ka lei aloha, lei pua kenikeni,
G/4 D7/4 G/4 D7/4 G/4
Ko‘u hia‘ai a me ko‘u ho‘ohihi.

For the beloved lei of pua kenikeni
My admiration and delight

Its pleasing perfume I enjoy
Which tells our love for each other

G/12 Am7/8
Ke ‘ala ho‘oheno ka‘u aloha,
G/4 D7/4 G/4 D7/4 G/4
I ka nē mai e welina kāua.

May you and I admire the flower's beauty
With its subtle fragrance so appealing

Fragrant, beautiful and excellent is the lei
Appealing and most attractive

G/12 Am7/8
Kāua i ka nani a o ia pua,
G/4 D7/4 G/4 D7/4 G/4
I ka hana ho‘oipo a ke onaona.

Its soft perfume wins the heart
Its beauty is most entrancing

This is the ending of this song
In praise of the pua kenikeni

G/12 Am7/8
Onaona lei nani lei ho‘ohie,
G/4 D7/4 G/4 D7/4 G/4
Ho‘oipo, ho‘oulu māhiehie

G/12 Am7/8
Māpu ‘ala ho‘oheno i ka poli
G/4 D7/4 G/4 D7/4 G/4
Lanikeha i ka ike a ka maka.

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by Mary Pūku'i - Commonly known as the 10
cent flower, the name may have been derived
from a time when these leis were sold for a dime.

2x G/12 Am7/8
Eia no ka puana o ke mele
G/4 D7/4 G/4 1: D7/4 G/4 repeat
No ka lei pua kenikeni he inoa.

2: Am7/4 go on

G/4 D7/4 G/4 D7/4 G/1
No ka lei pua kenikeni he inoa.

