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**WAIKIKI BEACH MARRIOTT RESORT & SPA FRONTS
THE BEST STRETCH OF REJUVENATED BEACH IN WAIKIKI**

HONOLULU, Hawaii – One of the best reasons for guests and locals alike to visit Waikiki is the world-famous Kuhio Beach, only steps away from the Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa. With the successful completion of the State of Hawaii’s sand replenishment project, the newly expanded sandy beach not only sports a freshened look and feel, but also more room to sunbathe, build a sandcastle or take a leisure walk.

The Kuhio Beach Restoration Project used 10,000 cubic yards of sand to widen the eroding shoreline, including the stretch located across the Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa. The State’s Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) utilized new, state-of-the-art offshore sand pumping technologies to retrieve beach sand from nearshore deposits. The project cost approximately \$475,000 and was completed in January 2007.

The widened area can now accommodate more beachgoers, from sunbathers relaxing with a good book to families taking their children for a dip in the calm, cool ocean water. Visiting Kuhio Beach is the perfect excursion for Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa guests, who can travel from the resort to the beach and back with ease.

This stretch of Kuhio Beach is also a great place to try surfing. Whether it’s the first time or the tenth time, riders of all skill levels can take lessons from former professional surfer Tony Moniz at his Faith Riding Company Surf School, conveniently located in the Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa. Learn tips and get hands-on coaching from one of Hawaii’s most experienced surfers at Waikiki’s best beach!

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*Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa boasts the best stretch of Waikiki Beach. The resort hotel is located across from exciting, and newly restored, Kuhio Beach and is in the pulse of Waikiki. The hotel offers 1,310 refurbished guest rooms and suites with a private lanai providing a spectacular view of world-famous Diamond Head and Waikiki Beach; Kuhio Beach Grill, featuring the best in Pacific Rim cuisine; Sansei Seafood Restaurant & Sushi Bar and d.k Steak House; Arancino di Mare Italian Restaurant; Restaurant Run, contemporary sushi bar; Moana Terrace, offering live Hawaiian entertainment nightly; Seattle's Best Coffee; Paul Brown's Spa Olakino * Salon; Faith Riding Company Surf School; two freshwater, heated, swimming pools; 10-person whirlpool; 24-hour fitness facility; business center with 24-hour Internet access; high-speed and wireless Internet access throughout the resort's guest rooms and public spaces; shops and boutiques; and Hawaiian cultural activities.*

The hotel is located within walking distance from the International Marketplace, Waikiki Aquarium, Honolulu Zoo, Diamond Head, Kapiolani Park and Kuhio Beach, which was recently re-nourished and rejuvenated with 10,000 cubic yards of sand pumped from waters off Waikiki.

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