I Ola Kanaloa, I Ola Kākou!

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I ola Kanaloa[1], i ola kākou! Hulihia ka honua Loli ka honua Hōʻeu, ʻīnana[2] Kupukupu ke ola Hānau ka moku Puka mai Kamaʻehu ʻae	In Kanaloa thriving, we all thrive! The earth is overturned The Earth is changing Stirring, life beginning Surging forth in the living sea The island was born The newest island indeed
I ola Kanaloa, i ola kākou! Eia aʻe ka iʻa nui Me ka iʻa iki O ka moana nui Ka moana iki Ka moana oʻo (a) i ke kai pōpolohua a Kāne	In Kanaloa thriving, we all thrive! Here is the immensely huge And microscopic marine life Of the largest ocean The smallest ocean creatures The ancient ocean All the way to the deepest depths
I ola Kanaloa, i ola kākou! Lou ʻia ka Iʻa-lele-i-aka[3] E ka mākau A ka lawaiʻa[4] He mōhai na Kūʻula Na ʻAiʻai Me Hinapukuiʻa[5]	In Kanaloa thriving, we all thrive! The Milky Way is caught By the hook Of the fishermen An offering is what I will give to Kūʻula To ʻAiʻai And to Hina-fish-gatherer
I ola Kanaloa, i ola kākou! Na kākou ʻo Kanaloa E mālama I nā au ʻewalu O Kanaloa[6] Nā ʻaweʻawe pikapika O Kanaloa **I ola Kanaloa** **I ola ka moana** **I ola kākou, ʻae!!**	In Kanaloa thriving, we all thrive! Kanaloa is ours To care for In the eight currents Of Kanaloa The mottled tentacles Of Kanaloa In Kanaloa thriving, In the oceans thriving We all thrive, yes!!

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[1] Kanaloa is the elemental deity of the ocean - it's physical, biological and geochemical components
[2] From the mele Kane ku ka pao
[3] Iʻaleleiaka = The fish that is the white belt of stars in the heavens. The Milky way
[4] From the chant of Makuakaumana. Poetic way of referring to navigators who pull up stars
[5] Mele Kuʻula, Ka Nupepa Kuokoa / Ka Nupepa Kuokoa, Volume V, Number 47, 24 November 1866
[6] From the chant, Kanaloanuiākea