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Young Brothers' Kāpena Jack Young Given Hawaiian Blessing

The first of four new tugs begins service in the Hawaiian Islands

HONOLULU, October 22, 2018 – The *Kāpena Jack Young*, the first of four new ocean-going tugs for Young Brothers, was given a traditional Hawaiian Blessing in her homeport of Kaunakakai, Moloka'i on Sunday, October 21, 2018. The *Kāpena Jack Young*, designed by Damen USA and built by Louisiana-based Conrad Shipyard, began its service with Young Brothers on September 24, after a small blessing in Honolulu.

The *Kāpena Jack Young* is named after Captain Jack Young, Sr., one of three brothers who founded Young Brothers in 1900. The tug is also named for his son Captain Jack Young, Jr., who was also a captain for the tug *Mamo* for many years before retiring from Young Brothers.

“The *Kāpena Jack Young* is representative of our commitment to the State to provide consistent and reliable on-time service while reducing carbon emissions and realizing increased fuel savings,” said Joe Boivin, President of Young Brothers.

The *Kāpena Jack Young* is the first of a series of four new tugs that celebrate the skill and innovation of Young Brothers' Hawaiian navigators and are designed to match its fleet of modern high capacity barges. The new tugs, which meet the US Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Tier 4 requirements, will improve the company's ability to provide “just-in-time” cargo service to Neighbor Island communities, while improving the environmental footprint and with better towing speeds, greater operating efficiencies, and lower emissions.

The blessing of the *Kāpena Jack Young* was held at Kaunakakai Harbor with representatives of Young Brothers and Foss Maritime Company, in attendance, along with Sharon Young, Jack Young, Sr.'s granddaughter, who sponsored the vessel. Young Brothers was also presented with a Proclamation from Representative Lynn DeCoite, who represents District 13, for the Company's commitment and dedication in providing reliable cargo shipping services across the entire State of Hawaii.

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Photos of the blessing available upon request.

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Young Brothers, Limited, with approximately 360 employees across the state, has served Hawai'i since 1900. Young Brothers is a publicly regulated water carrier providing 12 weekly port calls from Honolulu to the state's neighbor island ports, including Hilo, Kawaihae, Kahului, Kaunapau, Kaunakakai and Nāwiliwili. For more information visit www.youngbrothershawaii.com. Follow us on Facebook @youngbrothershawaii, Instagram @youngbrothershawaii, Twitter @youngbrothershi