

Tuesday 23 September 2025

Ko nga manu hei kawē korero,  
I taupokina o matou maunga ki te kapua pouri.  
Na ka tangi matou mo to tatou Ariki a Tā Tumu Te Heuheu Tukino VIII.

It is with great sadness that Waipapa 9 Trust, herald the news of the passing of our Paramount Chief, Tā Tumu Te Heuheu Tūkino VIII.

Our heartfelt condolences are with Lady Susan Te Heuheu, Te Whare o Te Heuheu, and with all our whanaunga of Ngāti Tūwharetoa.

As we mourn we also remember the life of a leader whom embodied great mana, wisdom, humility, aroha, and an unwavering commitment to the aspirations of Tūwharetoa. He leaves an enduring legacy and vision for his people.

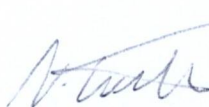
We give thanks for his service, knowing his loss will be deeply felt not only within Mokai, our wider rohe, but more widely throughout Aotearoa.

We stand with you in remembrance, in mourning and in collective strength for the days ahead.

We also note for you, our owners and Uri, that your Trust has provided Koha on your behalf commensurate with mana of our Ariki and the mana of yourselves as Tangata whenua o Mokai.

Deepest sympathies and Aroha to you all.

Nā mātou, me te aroha nui  
Waipapa 9 Trust



Nachele Griffiths  
Chair