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**AMERICAN SAVINGS BANK'S "FIRST SATURDAY" COMMUNITY PROGRAM
PROVIDES ART SUPPLIES FOR YMCA'S CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**

***Supplies Benefit Thousands of Children Enrolled in YMCA
Out-Of-School Programs Statewide***

HONOLULU – American Savings Bank held its monthly “First Saturday” community collection program on Saturday, August 2, in support of YMCA’s Children’s Program. The bank collected monetary contributions and more than 12 boxes of items which included markers, crayons, glue sticks, crayons, coloring books, washable paints, construction paper and other art supplies. The donations will support the YMCA’s out-of-school programs, including the after-school A+ and summer day camp for children statewide.

“Our out-of-school programs provide thousands of children with recreational and educational activities that help them to grow as individuals,” said Diane Tabangay, executive director of childcare for the YMCA. “The YMCA and its keiki are truly blessed by American Savings Bank’s commitment to communities and its dedicated staff.

The First Saturday program was developed in conjunction with American Savings Bank’s extended branch hours, which launched last fall providing more branch hours than any other bank in Hawaii. For First Saturday, the 48 American Savings Bank branches statewide that are open on Saturdays serve as collection points for donated items for a designated non-profit organization on the first Saturday of every month. This effort is also aligned with American Savings Bank’s vision to be the involved local bank committed to serving Hawaii’s communities.

The YMCA of Honolulu was founded in 1869 and incorporated under the laws of the Kingdom of Hawaii in 1882. It is a fellowship dedicated to putting Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

Serving Hawaii’s businesses and communities for more than 80 years, American Savings Bank is Hawaii’s third-largest financial institution based on 2007 year-end assets and has the second-largest branch network in the state, with 63 branches and over 200 automated teller machines. American Savings Bank provides a full range of financial products and services, including commercial and consumer banking, insurance and investments. For more information, visit asbhawaii.com

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