# Short & Sweet With a Touch of Aloha

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# **The Ceremony Script**

(12-15 minutes)

# **CEREMONY OPENS WITH THE CONCH**

The ceremony opens with Michaela blowing the conch shell and the Hawaiian Chant of Love

OPENING WORDS
The Hawaiian word for love is aloha and today we've come together to celebrate the special aloha that exists
between& and their desire to make their aloha eternal through their commitment in marriage.
Today marks the beginning of a new journey. Michaela Shares the Meaning of the conch and the chant.
CLEANSING OF THE RINGS
The wedding rings are placed into the Hawaiian salt being prepared for blessing.
LEI EXCHANGE
Words are shared about the sacred ceremony of Marriage, the Couple exchanges leis.
*When parents are attending, leis are a beautiful way to show your love and appreciation. Be sure to give Michaela the lei
before the ceremony. This is when your parents would receive their leis. It's best when kept as a surprise.
THE VOWS – Repeat after me or prepare your vows.
Partners Name, you are my soulmate and my best friend. And this is my promise
to you:
I promise to bring the best of me to our lives and our marriage.
To share my thoughts and feelings.
Laugh with you and cry with you. Encourage and inspire you.
I promise to create dreams together that will fill our lives with joy and happiness, kindness, and respect, for all
the days before us. But most importantly, I promise to always "LOVE" you.
DECLARATION
&, do you give yourself to each other on this day with complete joy and love, freely and openly, as partners in life's journey?
Do you wish to be known from this day forward as a married couple.
If this is your wish, please say "I Do."

#### THE EXCHANGE OF RINGS

Aloha aku no, Aloha mai no, E ho'omau, Maua ke aloha. Your love will last forever.

These rings represent marriage. They are a symbol of the circle of love. They signify to the world that you are joined to someone special and someone special is joined to you. They reflect the inspiration of your hopes and dreams.

#### REPEAT AFTER ME:

With this ring,

I give you my heart...

For my heart will be your shelter, And my arms your home.

From this day forward, you shall not walk alone. I place this ring on your finger as a symbol of our friendship, my love, and my commitment to our marriage.

# **TOGETHER AS ONE (optional)**

I ho'okahi Kahi ka Mana'o Together as one, one in Mind I ho'okahi Kahi Pu'uwai Together as one, one in Heart I ho'okahi Kahi ke Aloha Together as one, one in Love Amama Ua Noa Our request was heard.

## GUESTS, PLEASE RISE (if you have guests who are seated)

### PRONOUNCEMENT OF COUPLE

(Name) And (Name), today you have exchanged your leis, promises, rings, and have expressed your love to one another.

May the blessings of life, the joy of love, and the peace of truth be your constant companion, now and always.

It is with great pleasure and honor that I say these words...

By the power vested in me by the State of Hawaii, I now pronounce you together as one, a happily married couple. You may now seal your union in marriage with a Kiss.

#### PRESENT COUPLE AS A LEGALLY MARRIED