

## Kōrero a te Akonga Onamata

### Te Whakarauora ake i te Reo Māori o Te Iwi o Ngāti Hauā

Kātahi tonu a Tākuta Robyn Roa ka whakahōnoretia me te Tohu School of Indigenous Graduate Studies Top Scholar i tōna whiwhina i tōna Tohu Doctorate in Indigenous Development and Advancement mai i Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi, hei whakatauiria i te ara matemateāone, e ngakaunui ana mo te tiaki i te ahurea, ana kia ngākau titikaha ki te mātauranga me te whakakao i ngā wawata o tōna iwi, hapū, me te whānau.

*Whakarauora i te reo o Ngāti Hauā* te ingoa o te tuhinga roa a Tākuta Roa, e whakatinana ai i te tirohanga ki te tūhono anō me te whakarauora i te reo i kōrerohia e tōnā whāea. Ka whakaohotia te wairua i te whakatakoto tana i te whakawhanaketanga o te rautaki reo Māori a Ngāti Haua.

I whakamārama ia, “Kua roa te wā e whakairo ana ahau kia hoki mātou ki tō mātou reo, te reo i kōrerotia e tōku whāea i ā ia e tamariki ana. I whakatōhia te kākano, ana koi ra taku mahi i waenga o Ngāti Haua mai i te tau 2017 ki te 2022 ana mai i tērā wā e mahi tonu nei au me tōku hapū a Ngāti Werewere.”

Ko te whānui o ana mahi kua mahia e ia i roto i te mātauranga, i ngāwari noa iho te whakauru atu o Tākuta Roa ki tōna tūranga hou e mahi ana ma te Iwi o Waikato-Tainui, e aro ana te titiro ki te Mātauranga ā-iwi me te reo Māori. Ka whakamārama ia, “Kei te mahi au ināianei me tētahi rōpū pou whakawhirinaki [he tāngata tautoko i roto i te mātauranga, i te ahurea, tūranga hautūtanga rānei] e mahi ana mē ō rātou iwi/hapū, marae, me ngā whānau ki te tautoko i te kaupapa mātauranga [ngā take kaupapa rānei e arotahi ana ki te mātauranga Māori].

“I te nuina o te wā, hāngai tonu ngā mahi me te rautaki mātauranga ā-iwi ana i whakatakotohia kia horapa neke atu i ngā akoranga tūturu, me te whakamana hoki ka haere tonu te mahitahi kia tutuki ngā whaingā me ngā wawata e auaha ana me te hāngai ki te Mātauranga Māori, Mātauranga ā-iwi, ā-hapū, ā kura. Koi ra taku mahi, ana kua hoki mai au ki te kāinga ki tō mātou marae, na te mea kia hoki mai ai ngā whānau e hiahia ana ki te ako i te reo ō Ngāti Hauā.”

Na tana hoki mai ki tōna marae, kua hangaia e ia he wāhi haumaruru ki te ako.



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“Te nuina o ngā tauira he rangatahi. Ko tētahi āhuatanga i kite mātou he tino whakamaa kē rātou i waenga i te huhua o te tangata, engari, ka hoki ana rātou ki ō rātou marae, kua waia rātou nō reira ka ngāwari ake mō rātou ki te ako.”

He matatau a Tākuta Roa ki te kōrero me te whakahuahua i tōnā reo ōpaki o Ngāti Hauā, ana kua oti i ā ia he rārangī kupu. Ka whakamārama ia, “Āhua 80 aku kupu kei runga i taku rārangī ināianei. Kua kore au e rongō i ēnei kupu e whakahuahuatia ana; kua ngaro ēnei kupu. Koi nei te tino pūtake o taku tuhinga roa, kia whakahokia mai ngērā o ngā momo kupu o ōku mātua tūpuna,”