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The Honorable Riki Hokama Council Member The Honorable Tasha Kama Council Member The Honorable Kelly T. King Council Member The Honorable Alice L. Lee Council Member The Honorable Michael J. Molina Council Member The Honorable Tamara A.M. Paltin Council Member The Honorable Keani N. W. Rawlins-Fernandez Council Member The Honorable Shane M. Sineci Council Member The Honorable Yuki Kashiwa Sugimura Council Member

Re: Confirmation of John D. Kim as Prosecuting Attorney (GET-1(3))

Dear Council Members:

I wish to remain anonymous as I write this letter of disapproval for the confirmation of John D. Kim as the Prosecuting Attorney, for the County of Maui. I am a long time employee of the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, and have found the department run by Mr. Kim to be full of nepotism and favoritism to family and friends. Our department is a perfect example of how retaliation and favoritism can corrupt and ruin a department.

It disturbs and disappoints me that Mayor Victorino chose not to make needed changes to this department. I know full well that Mr. Kim will likely be confirmed, as this hearing seems to have been placed on fast track to stop commentary. I am also sure these practices will likely continue. I will not stand silent anymore, and have chosen to write this letter, even though I may likely be found out and retaliated against even more for speaking out. Mr. Kim's confirmation will negatively impact many of us who work within the department, and many will likely leave due to his confirmation.