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My name is Laura Tasaki. ~~My husband Mitchell, my 3 children and I live at 559 Kuikahi Drive in Wailuku Heights and oppose the special use permit. Miss Wilson submitted to the planning commission a map of Wailuku Heights with certain lots colored in representing those residents who support commercialization of Lona Ridge. What she did was falsely assume that anyone who did not sign the initial petition opposing her special use permit were her supporters. This clearly is a misrepresentation, as our lot was colored in to indicate our support for her. We were not aware of the petition early on and therefore did not initially sign it. In fact, we are staunch opponents. Many homeowners in Wailuku Heights who did not sign the opposition to Lona Ridge were not able to be contacted, such as the owners of the empty lots whose contact information were not known. Furthermore, there are many residents who oppose commercialization of the ridge but did not sign the petition because they did not want to get involved for various reasons. This proves that Miss Wilson is not truthful on her representation of Wailuku Heights members who support her. Clearly her map that she submitted is based on false assumptions. We would like to see signed documentation of Lona Ridge supporters on every colored property in Wailuku Heights that she claims to support her. We are certain that the true number of Wailuku Heights supporters of the ridge is far less than what she claims it to be. We have proven that Miss Wilson's claim that we support her effort is blatantly false.~~

We have been staunch opponents of the ridge primarily for safety reasons. As a trauma surgeon on Maui for the last 20 years, my husband Mitchell sees the direct effects of alcohol related traffic accidents and fatalities. In fact 35 percent of traffic related fatalities nationwide are alcohol related. If the permit is granted, this situation

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will occur in our neighborhood, since alcohol will be allowed to be served at the events.

~~Other valid reasons to turn down this special use permit is increased traffic, noise and liability issues with the county of Maui as a deep pocket being vulnerable to lawsuits if someone gets injured. Council members,~~ please put yourselves in our shoes. If you lived in our neighborhood, would you like it if these commercial activities were in your backyard?

The far majority of Miss Wilson's supporters do not live in Wailuku Heights and support her farm tours for the children and seniors. This is not the same as the commercial activity which we oppose. Many of her supporters also have financial gain if the permit is granted. Lastly, if you approve this special permit, what would stop anyone else in Wailuku Heights from obtaining permits for other commercial activities? This is a unique situation since the only access to the property is through our residential community.

This is a residential area and we would like to keep it that way.

Thank you.