

AH Committee

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Subject: Affordable Housing Projects (Chapter 201H, Hawaii Revised Statutes) (Independent Development of the Makila Farms Project (Lahaina)) Agenda Item AH-1 (3)

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RE: Support Makila Farms AH-1 (3)

Aloha Tasha Kama, Chair - Housing Committee

My name is Sasha Taylor and I work and live on the West side of Maui. Currently, I live in a 2 bedroom apartment with my husband and our two children. I am the sole provider as I don't have family nearby that can watch my children. My husband takes care of our babies.

Rents keep rising and it is becoming harder and harder to live on the West Side of Maui. Some of my co-workers commute but they are always getting stuck in their commutes for hours at a time due to fires and bad weather. The Pali can be treacherous during inclement weather causing massive delays. The island is limited in its infrastructural capacity. There aren't enough options to get back and forth between the West Side and the rest of the island.

I've been living on Maui for 20 years. I always hoped that I'd be able to raise children in a house here. I never thought I'd be relegated to a tiny apartment.

Makakila Farms would provide affordable housing that would be ideal for my family to live in for all our lives. I wouldn't have to commute to the other side. Attaining a home on Maui would be our dream come true.

Please allow this project to be implemented.

Mahalo,

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