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August 28, 2024

The Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr.
Mayor, County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mayor Bissen:

SUBJECT: BILL 125 (2024), AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET: ESTIMATED REVENUES AND OFFICE OF THE MAYOR (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, GRANTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE PROTECTION)
(BFED-101)

The Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee is in receipt of Bill 125 (2024), which amends the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget to recognize \$100,000 for “due diligence” on properties in Ma‘alaea. I am considering scheduling this matter for the Committee’s meeting on September 10, 2024.

May I please request your response to the following:

- 1) The bill states the new appropriation is intended for the Trust for Public Land for “due diligence” on properties adjacent to Ma‘alaea Mauka that the Administration is considering purchasing. Explain what “due diligence” entails.
- 2) When will the funds for the purchase be received from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Agency and sub-awarded by the University of Hawai‘i to the County? Why was it a joint application with the University of Hawai‘i and will it be a joint acquisition of the parcel?
- 3) The Administration is proposing to recognize Carryover/Savings from the General Fund to pay for the “due diligence.” Can another

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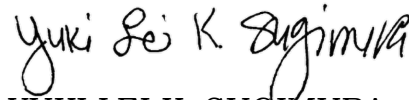
funding source be used instead, like the Open Spaces, Natural Resources, Cultural Resources, and Scenic View Preservation Fund?

4) What is the urgency for passing Bill 125 (2024)?

May I further request you transmit your response to bfed.committee@mauicounty.us by **3:00 p.m. on September 3, 2024**. To ensure efficient processing, please include the Committee item number in the subject line.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (James Krueger at ext. 7761, or Maria Leon at ext. 7866).

Sincerely,



YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair
Budget, Finance and Economic
Development Committee

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cc: Budget Director

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Mayor's Office: Please see the attached letter from BFED Committee Chair Sugimura, dated 08/28-2024. **Please respond by 3:00 p.m. on 09/03/2024.**

Ms. Milner: FYI.

Thank you,
BFED Committee Staff