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The Honorable Alice L. Lee
Council Chair
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Lee:

SUBJECT: LAND FOR EQUESTRIAN FACILITY IN MAKAWAO

May I request the attached proposed resolution, entitled "URGING THE ADMINISTRATION TO NEGOTIATE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF APPROXIMATELY 41.25 ACRES OF LAND NEAR THE MAUI VETERANS CEMETERY AND MAKAWAO CEMETERY FOR AN EQUESTRIAN FACILITY IN MAKAWAO," be placed on the next Council meeting agenda.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Molina".

MICHAEL J. MOLINA
Councilmember

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Enclosure

cc:

COUNTY COMMUNICATION NO. 20-189

Resolution

No. _____

URGING THE ADMINISTRATION TO
NEGOTIATE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF
APPROXIMATELY 41.25 ACRES OF LAND NEAR
THE MAUI VETERANS CEMETERY AND
MAKAWAO CEMETERY FOR AN EQUESTRIAN
FACILITY IN MAKAWAO

WHEREAS, Maui Land & Pineapple Company, Inc. (“Maui Land & Pine”), is the fee owner of the lot identified for real property tax purposes as tax map key number (2) 2-4-001:025:0000, consisting of approximately 41.25 acres (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the Property is located near the Maui Veterans Cemetery and Makawao Cemetery along Baldwin Avenue in Makawao, Maui, Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, members of the roping, ranching and equestrian community are requesting a County-owned facility to be used for riding, roping and rodeo events; and

WHEREAS, the Makawao and Upcountry communities desire to have a facility similar to the Honaunau Rodeo Facility in South Kona, which is owned by the County of Hawaii and available to the public; and

WHEREAS, representatives from Maui Land & Pine have expressed a willingness to entertain discussions for possible use of the Property as an equestrian facility; and

WHEREAS, residents desire a facility that can be managed for operation by a community-based organization, but owned by the County, and has the potential to evolve into a facility with improvements such as a pavilion for community functions, and amenities that can be used by riding, roping and rodeo enthusiasts; and


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WHEREAS, due to the uncertainty of the availability and use of existing privately-owned rodeo and equestrian facilities, the need for a County-owned facility is essential; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

1. That it urges the Administration to negotiate with Maui Land & Pine for the acquisition of the subject Property; and
2. That it urges the Administration to provide the Council and the community with reports on the County's efforts to acquire the subject Property; and
3. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, the Director of Parks and Recreation, the Director of Finance, and Pat Borge, owner of Makena Stables.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGALITY:



DAVID A. GALAZIN
Department of the Corporation Counsel
County of Maui
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2020-03-06 Resolution