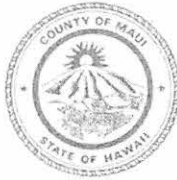


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Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair  
and Members of the Maui County Council  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

SUBJECT: Authorizing the Employment of Special Counsel

Dear Chair Lee and Council Members:

Please find attached separately a proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL COUNSEL MARR JONES & WANG, LLP, IN PRE-LITIGATION NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING ALLEGATIONS MADE BY LEO CAIRES, A FORMER COUNTY OF MAUI EMPLOYEE." The purpose of the proposed resolution is to retain special counsel for pre-litigation negotiations because our department is conflicted out.

I respectfully request the proposed resolution be scheduled for discussion and action, or referral to the appropriate standing committee as soon as possible, as time is of the essence.

An executive session may be necessary to discuss questions and issues pertaining to the powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities of the County, the Council, and/or the Committee.

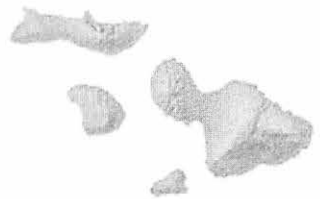
Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you for your anticipated assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Victoria Takayesu", is written over a horizontal line.

VICTORIA TAKAYESU  
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