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January 29, 2025

Mr. Richard "Remi" Mitchell, Director Department of Housing County of Maui Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ON BILL 6 (2025), AMENDING FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET: DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING, HOUSING PROGRAM, GENERAL (BFED-20(1))

In addition to my correspondence to you dated January 28, 2025, may I request your response to the following questions regarding the proposed expansion positions for the Federal Housing Program Division:

- 1. What is the rationale for funding these positions through the General Fund rather than a Federal grant?
- 2. Does the Department receive a Federal grant appropriation that could cover administrative costs?

May I further request you transmit your response to bfed.committee@mauicounty.us by **February 3, 2025**. To ensure efficient processing, please include the Committee item number, BFED-20(1), in the subject line.

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Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Kirsten Szabo at ext. 7662, or Pauline Martins at ext. 8039).

Sincerely,

YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair

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cc: Mayor Richard T. Bissen, Jr. Deputy Director of Housing Budget Director