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Chair Shane Sinenci
APT Committee
Maui County Council
200 South High Street
Wailuku, HI 96793

RE: TESTIMONY OF ALAN M ARAKAWA – APT-1(9) COUNTYWIDE WATER AUTHORITY

Aloha Chair Sinenci,

As the former Mayor of the County of Maui, I am testifying in strong opposition of the Charter Amendment that is being proposed that would authorize the County to establish a Countywide Water Authority and allow for regional boards in any relevant area of Maui County.

There are many compelling reasons for my opposition, but primarily I do not feel that this item has been fully vetted -- there has been no feasibility study justifying the need for such an endeavor, nor has there been a cost analysis. For these reasons alone, it is not fair for the public to be forced to vote on such action without having the necessary and critical information that would enable informed decision-making.

I urge you to do the right thing and defer this item so that the appropriate agencies and experts can be consulted to avoid duplication of services, public confusion, and government inefficiency.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Alan M Arakawa
Former Mayor of Maui County

APT Committee

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Aloha Councilmembers and APT Staff,

Please see attached testimony from Alan Arakawa in connection with Countywide Water Authority (APT-1(9)).

Mahalo,
Alice