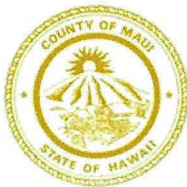


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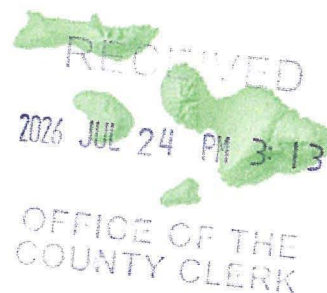
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Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair
and Members of the Maui County Council
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

SUBJECT: *Christopher Salem v. County of Maui, et. al.*
Civil 2CCV-21- 0000048
Authorizing Additional Compensation for Special Counsel

Dear Chair Lee and Council Members:

Please find attached separately a proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL COUNSEL KOBAYASHI SUGITA & GODA, LLP, IN CHRISTOPHER SALEM V. COUNTY OF MAUI, ET AL., CIVIL 2CCV-21-0000048, UNDER CHARTER SECTION 3-6(6)." The purpose of the proposed resolution is to increase the compensation for special counsel to be able to continue to litigate the defense of this case.

I respectfully request the proposed resolution be scheduled for discussion and action, or referral to the appropriate standing committee as soon as possible, as this matter continues to be litigated and 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, which appears to read "John J. Gores", is written over a horizontal line.

JOHN J. GORES
Deputy Corporation Counsel

cc: Kobayashi, Sugita & Goda, LLP
Attachment
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