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COUNTY OF MAUI

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October 22, 2018

Honorable Alan M. Arakawa
Mayor, County of Maui
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Mike White, Chair
and Members of the Maui County Council
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

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Dear Chair White and Members:

SUBJECT: COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

At the request of the Commission on Persons with Disabilities, please see attached letter from the Chair of the Commission to Mayor Arakawa, dated October 11, 2018, which was sent on October 17, 2018. The Commission is requesting the reinstatement of monthly para transit bus passes. In addition, the Commission also requests closed captioning of county meetings broadcasted on AKAKU.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at Ext. 7805.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM R. SPENCE
Director of Housing and Human Concerns

Attachment

xc: Commission on Persons with Disabilities
Kevin Dusenbury, Jr., Office on Aging

COUNTY COMMUNICATION NO. 18-392



MAUI COUNTY COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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October 11, 2018

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Mayor Allen Arakawa
200 South High Street
Kalana O Maui Building, 9th Floor
Wailuku, HI 96793

RE: Reinstatement of monthly paratransit bus passes and closed captioning of county meetings on AKAKU.

Aloha Mayor Arakawa:

The Commission on Persons with Disabilities is respectfully requesting your consideration to reinstate the monthly paratransit bus pass. From the feedback that we received at our recent Commission on Persons with Disabilities meetings, the current program presents a potential financial hardship for paratransit riders that rely on fixed incomes. The previous monthly pass was \$45.00, but the current fare policy could potentially cost a paratransit rider \$120.00 per month. Your time and consideration on this matter is much needed, and any assistance to lower the current fee would be greatly appreciated.

Additionally, we are also requesting closed captioning on AKAKU for county meetings. This is not only a necessity for people who are Deaf, but it is also useful for people who cannot hear well such as the older population.

We greatly appreciate you, and thank you for your time and consideration regarding these concerns.

Mahalo,

Kevin Souza
Chair

CC: Maui County Council
Commission on Persons with Disabilities