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January 28, 2025

Mr. Josiah Nishita, Managing Director
Department of Management
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mr. Nishita:

SUBJECT: BILL 7 (2025), AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET: OFFICE OF THE MAYOR (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, GRANTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY; MAUI FAIR) (BFED-21)

The Council's Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee is in receipt of Bill 7 to appropriate \$1.5 million for the 2025 Maui County Fair.

May I please request your response as it relates to the Fair:

1. Please provide the total anticipated cost breakdown to include preparation, planning, and operational expenses.
2. In addition to the proposed \$1.5 million appropriation, please provide a breakdown of additional funding sources. Please also identify any additional anticipated appropriations from the County.
3. Please explain Festivals of Aloha, Inc.'s role.
4. What is the status of the Maui Fair Alliance, and does the organization have any role in this event?
5. Does the Administration anticipate net revenues? If net revenues are generated, how will they be allocated between the County and Festivals of Aloha?

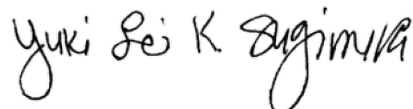
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6. What steps are being taken to ensure financial sustainability in future years?

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-21, in the subject line.

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.
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