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Subject:

Testimony Letter - Maui County Council Land Use Committee on Lanai 03-17-17

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Aloha,

Please accept my testimony letter as I will be off island and unable to attend the meeting on 3/17 in Lana'i.

Mahalo,

Jennifer Nalani Silva

March 13, 2017

To: Maui County Council Land Use Committee

Robert Carroll, Chair

Re: March 17, 2017 Committee Meeting

I would like to express my support for the permit allowing for the rezoning of three Lāna'i Avenue houses from Business Country Town to Residential. This change will allow the three homes to be rebuilt as they were originally developed and also help to provide for additional housing opportunities for our island residents. In addition, it will divert commercial activity away from a well-traversed road (Lanai Avenue) and the one-way road leading to the Post Office, which is also quite busy at various times due to the limited number of parking areas.

I highly support the permit concerning the ability to hold up to 40 Special Events each year on the Manele Golf Course Driving Range and Twelfth Hole Tee Box. The golf course offers fabulous views of the ocean and has been one of our main locations to hold events in many previous years. The resort has limited event space, particularly outdoors. Competition with other resorts on Maui and other neighbor islands is indeed challenging to bringing business to Lāna'i. Hosting such events benefits a wide range of people, not only the resort, including the many staff who directly or indirectly are involved in ensuring a successful occasion.

I believe the addition of the helipad will allow for additional options for guests to travel to and from Lāna'i. While we do have a number of flights from Honolulu, some guests may prefer to travel according to their own schedule or arrive direct from neighbor islands, where service is not currently offered.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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