

LU Committee

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Subject: STRH Testimony - LU-7 and LU -40

Aloha Council,

Please do **NOT** change the current ordinance regarding short-term rentals (STRH). I currently own a short-term rental and while this will not necessarily impact me, I do believe it is unfair for new applicants as well as bad for the locals and the Maui island economy.

I understand that the theory is that this may discourage speculation of buying a home for investment purposes that might take away from affordable housing.

Please keep in mind that the **People on Maui need JOBS**. There needs to be a diversified economy and SPTH do create jobs.

Without jobs on Maui, people have a hard time affording any rentals, or homeownership. We employ many people on the Northshore where STRH is needed. Focus on keeping things the way they are so Maui people can rely on the Government to make fair rules and stick with them.

There is a CAP on the Northshore of 88, to prevent proliferation. The CAP is not even met yet. Please do not change an ordinance already voted on and so that the community can plan accordingly, to the rules in place now. Keep it the way it is.

Mahalo,

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