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December 16, 2022

The Honorable Michael P. Victorino
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200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

For Transmittal To:

Councilmember Tasha Kama
Human Concerns & Parks Committee Chair
Maui County Council
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Re: Current Conditions for the Unsheltered on Holomua Road (HCP-1(8))

Dear Chair Kama:

In response to your letter dated December 6, 2022 regarding questions on the current conditions for the unsheltered on Holomua Road:

1. Please provide data on the frequency of requests your Department has received over the past two years to address roadway obstructions on Holomua Road (Paia).

Between January 1, 2021 to December 1, 2022, there has been eleven (11) documented reports for stalled and/or derelict vehicles on Holomua Road. There is no accurate way to note the requests received as sometimes requests comes via email from the Mayor's Office, through phone calls to police dispatch, or calls made directly to the Community Police Officers.

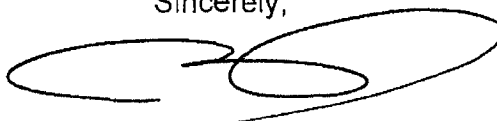
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2. Please also explain how this concern has been addressed, including any ongoing efforts to resolve this issue.

Over the past several months, our Community Police Officers have been actively engaged with assisting homeless people on Holomua Road. As of about a week ago, there are about fifteen (15) homeless individuals who refuse any housing assistance. Police continue to monitor the area, which is secluded and used sparingly by the public. Other service groups also monitor the area, but does not want police officers there at the same time. They feel the homeless will open up more when there is no police presence. Members of the Maui Police Department will continue to assist anyone in need and continue to monitor the area and enforce the laws as best as we can.

If you have further questions, please contact Acting Captain Ryan Rodrigues of our Wailuku Patrol District at (808) 270-6592.

Sincerely,



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JOHN PELLETIER
Chief of Police