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December 10, 2020

The Honorable Alice L. Lee
Council Chair
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Lee:

SUBJECT: **FERAL ANIMAL MANAGEMENT** (HFC-24)

May I request the attached proposed resolution, entitled "CLARIFYING THE COUNCIL'S INTENT REGARDING FUNDING FOR FERAL ANIMAL MANAGEMENT," be placed on the next Council meeting agenda.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Riki Hokama", is written over a large, sweeping flourish.

RIKI HOKAMA, Chair
Healthy Families and Communities
Committee

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Enclosure

Resolution

No. _____

CLARIFYING THE COUNCIL'S INTENT REGARDING FUNDING FOR FERAL ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget included funding under the Department of Housing and Human Concerns, Animal Enforcement Program, for feral animal control, including up to \$100,000 for a feral animal assessment study, \$300,000 for management on Maui, \$300,000 for management on Lanai, and \$300,000 for management on Molokai; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development and Budget Committee's Committee Report 20-50 stated:

Your Committee further agreed to address the negative impacts to native species and watersheds caused by feral animals by providing up to \$1 million total for the development of a feral animal management plan designed for each populated island in the County, which includes \$100,000 for a feral animal management assessment study. Your Committee felt it was important for the Department of Housing and Human Concerns, Animal Management Program, to conduct a study on the most effective manner to expend money for feral animals.; and

WHEREAS, the Council wishes to further clarify its legislative intent regarding the use of these funds; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

1. That the Council expresses its intent that the use of funds for the feral animal assessment study will in no way deter the use of the regional funds for current mitigation and damage control purposes; and
2. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Director of Housing and Human Concerns, the Budget Director, and the Director of Finance.

Resolution No. _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

Deputy Corporation Counsel
County of Maui

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