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February 8, 2024

Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr.
Mayor, County of Maui
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

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 2-9-24
Mayor Date

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair
and Members of the Maui County Council
200 South High Street
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Lee and Members:

**SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET
(DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AGRICULTURE
PROGRAM, GRANTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR
AGRICULTURAL PROMOTION)**

On behalf of the Department of Agriculture, I am transmitting a proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AGRICULTURE PROGRAM, AND GRANTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR AGRICULTURAL PROMOTION."

The purpose of the proposed bill is to amend the Fiscal Year ("FY") 2024 Budget, by 1) deleting "the" from the Department title; 2) reducing the appropriation for Agriculture Program, Category B – Operations and Equipment by \$28,239; 3) reducing the appropriation for Grants and disbursements for Agricultural Promotion, Feral Animal Recovery by \$781,500; 4) reducing the

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appropriation for Grants and disbursements for Agricultural Promotion, Agricultural Education and Apprenticeship by \$51,600; 5) increasing the appropriation for Grants and disbursements for Agricultural Promotion, Agricultural Promotion/Technology by \$861,339, and 6) reducing the amount of the condition under Grants and disbursements for Agricultural Promotion, Agricultural Promotion/Technology for infrastructure improvements by \$45,000.

The Department of Agriculture issued a request for grant applicants and received the largest number of applications in the category of Agricultural Promotion/Technology. The amounts being reallocated from the other grant categories have not been encumbered as there were not sufficient applications for these grants.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. Should you have any questions, please contact me at ext. 7212 or Lesley Milner at ext. 8239.

Sincerely,



MARIA ZIELINSKI
Budget Director

Attachment

cc: Rogerene Arce, Director of Agriculture