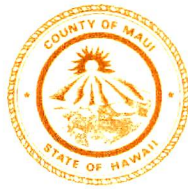


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For Transmittal to:

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

Dear Chair Lee and Members:

SUBJECT:

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM, AND THE COUNTIES OF HAWAII, FOR THE HAWAII CREATIVE ECONOMY COLLABORATIVE.

Transmitted herewith is a proposed bill entitled, "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM, AND THE COUNTIES OF HAWAII, FOR THE HAWAII CREATIVE ECONOMY COLLABORATIVE."

The State/DBEDT and County of Maui Memoranda of Agreement (MOA) is a critical framework for fostering economic development and creative industry initiatives across jurisdictions, securing the necessary approvals and signatures will progress essential marketing and business development projects that require inter-county collaboration. Given the MOA's role in driving shared economic growth, we respectfully request your support in prioritizing this matter and facilitating the necessary steps to secure final approval. Your leadership will ensure that vital projects benefiting our creative industries can move forward.

Sincerely,

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Cynthia Lallo
Chief of Staff

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL

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Mayor Date