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November 8, 2023

Ms. Lori Tsuhako, Director
Department of Housing and Human Concerns
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Ms. Tsuhako:

**SUBJECT: BILL 97 (2023), AMENDING FISCAL YEAR 2024
BUDGET: APPENDIX A, PART I, DEPARTMENT OF
HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS (BFED-41)**

Thank you for participating in the Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee's discussion of Bill 97.

As part of the discussion, the Committee expressed concerns about the eligibility of West Maui residents for the County's emergency rental assistance program.

May I please request your assistance with the following:

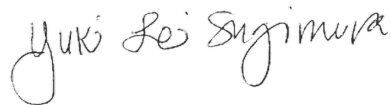
1. Please explain whether West Maui and Upcountry residents, who are displaced homeowners due to the August 8th wildfires and now have to rent, are eligible for the emergency rental assistance program.
2. If a household receives financial support from other sources, such as the Red Cross, would this disqualify the household from the emergency rental assistance program? Please explain.

May I further request your written response by **November 17, 2023**. To ensure efficient processing, please transmit your response to bfed.committee@mauicounty.us and include the relevant Committee item number in the subject line of your response.

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Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (James Krueger at ext. 7761, or Yvette Bouthillier at ext. 7758).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Yuki Lei Sugimura".

YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair
Budget, Finance, and Economic
Development Committee

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cc: Mayor Richard T. Bissen, Jr.
Budget Director

BFED Committee

From: BFED Committee
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To: loriann.tzuhako@co.maui.hi.us
Cc: BFED Committee; Saumalu Mataafa; kimberly.ferguson@co.maui.hi.us; Michelle Santos; Zeke Kalua; Maria Zielinski; Lesley Milner; Kristina Cabbat
Subject: PLEASE READ attached letter re: BILL 97 (2023), AMENDING FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET: APPENDIX A, PART I, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS (BFED-41. . .
Attachments: 041ahc02 revised signed.pdf

Ms. Tzuhako: Please refer to the attached letter from the Budget, Finance, and Economic Development (BFED) Committee Chair, **November 8, 2023**.

Mayor's Office (attention: Michelle Santos and Zeke Kalua): Please forward the attached letter to Mayor Bissen for his information.

Ms. Zielinski: FYI

Thank you,
BFED Committee Staff