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Aloha Maui County Council Members:

My name is Ernie Cronkite. I'm a retired Auto Repair shop owner and a resident of Maui for 25 years. I am a resident of Wailuku Heights for the past 2 and ½ years.

I support Ms. Leona Rocha Wilson's Conditional Use Permit application. The Maui Planning Commission approved with some conditions to satisfy issues expressed at the Maui Planning Commission's public hearing. There are three basic concerns by some residents of Wailuku Heights:

1. Noise
2. Safety
3. Traffic.

I would like to discuss this issues at this time. Noise was one of the concerns was brought up in the public hearing. According to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health the maximum noise level is 85 decibels for 8 hours, 88 for 4 hours, and 91 for 2 hours, and 94 for 1 hour. The noise level was checked yesterday when there were more than 200 people were at Lona Ridge with the CD player, Keiki chanting and people talking and the decibel level was 72 in the middle of the crowd. Noise travel upward and toward the mountains. Lona Ridge is 4 acres away from closest neighbor and it is highly unlikely that excessive noise would ever reach any of the residents. Therefore, noise is not an issue.

Safety is another concern that I would like address at this time. Any wedding or other functions people will be shuttled to Lona Ridge from outside and their vehicles will be parked off site and not at Wailuku Heights. Alcoholic beverages will be served by a licensed bar tender and consumption will be controlled and closely monitored. People will be shuttled back to their vehicle after the function is over. Therefore, Safety is not an issue.

Traffic is another concern that will be addressed here. Two or Three vans will shuttle people to Lona Ridge based on the limit imposed by the Maui County Council. Parking is also set by the Maui County.

I would like to again express my support for Leona Rocha Wilson's application for a Conditional Use Permit for Lona Ridge and respectfully ask you, Council Members to approve the permit.

Sincerely,



Ernie Cronkite

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