



June 5, 2024

TO: Members of the Maui County Council

RE: Bill 67

My name is Sterling Higa, and I serve as executive director of Housing Hawai'i's Future, a nonprofit creating opportunities for Hawai'i's next generation by ending the workforce housing shortage.

## We support Bill 67.

We seek to minimize greenfield development. Rather, we prefer smart growth principles (rezoning, upzoning, infill development, and adaptive reuse) to fully utilize existing building stock and infrastructure.

Queen Ka'ahumanu Shopping Center is ripe for redevelopment.

Even on its best days, the mall parking lot is mostly empty.

This is prime real estate in the middle of Kahului.

Let's ensure that we make the most of it, contributing to a mixed-use community!

Thank you,

Sterling Higa

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## **HLU Committee**

From: County Clerk

**Sent:** Monday, June 3, 2024 8:42 AM

To: HLU Committee

**Subject:** FW: Testimony for 6/5/2024 HLU meeting **Attachments:** HHF Testimony 1 036 Maui QKC.pdf

From: Sterling Higa <sterling.higa@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, June 3, 2024 8:40 AM

**To:** County Clerk < County.Clerk@mauicounty.us> **Subject:** Testimony for 6/5/2024 HLU meeting

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Please find attached.

Thank you, Sterling

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