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Dear Chair and Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony. I am writing to express my strong opposition to Bill 9, which proposes phasing out legally operating short-term rentals in apartment-zoned areas.

As a permitted short-term rental operator in Maui County, I've worked hard to comply with all regulations and contribute positively to the community. My operations support local jobs, rely on local services, and generate significant tax revenue that benefits the county.

Bill 9, as currently written, would abruptly remove long-standing legal uses without offering a clear or practical path forward. This would not only disrupt stable, law-abiding rental operations but also have a ripple effect on small businesses and workers who depend on this industry.

Rather than eliminating legal rentals entirely, I urge the Council to consider balanced solutions (such as stricter enforcement of illegal operations, voluntary conversion incentives, and reasonable caps) to help achieve housing goals without unintended harm.

Please do not advance Bill 9 in its current form. I appreciate your time and commitment, and I hope we can work toward effective, collaborative approaches for the benefit of all Maui County.

Sincerely,

Jean-Paul Zerbib