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Subject:

Support of Land Use Permit-Jeana Naluai and Ho'omana Spa

Aloha Esteemed Council Members.

I write you in support of Jeana Naluai owner of Hawaiian Spa Maui LLC DBA Ho'omana Spa to operate a Hawaiian Spa and Cultural Education Center on a agricultural property at 1550 Piiholo Road.

I know I am not alone when I say that Ho'omana has changed my life. It has also created a ripple effect across the islands (and world) of which we will never fully grasp. When I came to Ho'omana Spa to learn traditional Lomi with Jeana, I never realized the impact it would have. I became a Lomi practitioner at Ho'omana and have been sharing this cultural practice ever since. Through the teachings, I resonated with the connection to land and giving back, and for the past 3 years since Lomi introduction, I have been dedicating myself to volunteering. Even as recent as the Hōkūle'a event, where I had the privilege of supporting a monumental event in Hawaiian history, I would not have had the knowledge of, if it weren't for Jeana and her cultural teachings.

Thanks to Jeana and her Cultural Education Center, I have found my life's work in perpetuating the aloha that is so abundant on the property. I am now enrolled at the University, starting classes towards my Associates Degree in Hawaiian Studies so, I too, can preserve the Hawaiian culture for future generations. Jeana and Ho'omana Spa represent the strength of Hawai'i's future, and the idea of it not continuing as it has been, would be a devastating loss for the people of Hawai'i and the world over. With this in mind, I hope you support Jeana Naluai to operate a Hawaiian Spa and Cultural Education Center at 1550 Piiholo Road for years to come. Mahalo nui loa for your time and service to the people.

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