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Aloha County Clerk,

For Resolution 25-80, I attached Executive Summaries for each of the proposed projects that are recommended for funding with the transmittal letter and Reso. In the executive summary for Mental Health Kokua (pg.7 on the posted PDF for reference), I sent it without realizing that I had not corrected the total funds being allocated for the project. Attached is the summary with the correct information. If possible, please replace the incorrect summary for Mental Health Kokua with the new summary when these documents are given to the Council Members.

Mahalo,

Jolie A. Jenkins  
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**Recommended 2025 CDBG Project**

**Executive Summary**

Based on information provided by the Applicant

**Applicant: Mental Health Kokua**

**Funding Requested: \$113,450.00**

**Funding Recommended: \$113,450.00 (Ranked last – Partial Funding \$92,691)**

**Project: Maui Mental Health Supported Housing**

Funding is requested for the renovation of community housing for adults with serious mental illness. This renovation will include repair and maintenance for two existing group homes serving 25 homeless adults with SMI (lifelong mental illness).

**Estimated (Annual) Number of Beneficiaries: 18**

**Eligible Activity:** The project meets the requirements of 24 CFR 570.201(k) Housing Services.

**National Objective:** The project will meet the national objective of 24 CFR 570.208(a)(2)(i)(A) Limited Clientele – Limited clientele where at least 51 percent of the clientele are of low to moderate income.

**Community Development Goal:** The project satisfies Goal PF-2: Acquire and construct or rehabilitate health and mental health services to benefit predominantly low-and-moderate-income persons.

**Priority Community Development Need:** The project satisfies Public Facility Needs for Mental Health Facilities (High)

**Budget (as provided by Applicant):**

<b>Anticipated Funding</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>Major Project Expenses</b>	<b>Estimated Expenses</b>
CDBG	\$92,691.00	Rehabilitation	\$92,691.00
<b>Total Funds:</b>	<b>\$92,691.00</b>	<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$92,691.00</b>

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TESTIMONY of KALI WATSON, CHAIRPERSON  
HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION

Before the  
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

Friday, March 21, 2025  
9:00 a.m.

In support of  
**RESOLUTION 25-50, APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JONATHAN LIKEKE  
SCHEUER TO THE EAST MAUI REGIONAL COMMUNITY BOARD**

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Sugimura, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in **strong support** of the proposed Resolution 25-50 approving the appointment of Dr Jonathan Likeke Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board. As Chairperson of the Hawaiian Homes Commission (HHC), I am elated to report that the Commission voted unanimously at its January 2024 meeting to recommend Dr. Scheuer as its representative. The Department appreciates this dedicated seat and recognizes this appointment signifies a landmark achievement, marking the first action in the history since passage of the HHC that any state or county water board has formally included Commission representation. This connection between DHHL and the water authority is crucial for collaboration and alignment with DHHL's mission and values as outlined in the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act 1920, as amended, and the HHC's Water Policy Plan.

At the December HHC meeting, the Process and Procedure for Selection of the HHC Representative on the East Maui Regional Community Board was approved unanimously by the HHC. This procedure was created to provide a workflow and criteria for when there is an upcoming vacancy for the designated HHC seat:

- 1. Notification of vacancy.** *Beneficiaries receive notice of upcoming vacancy for the HHC seat through our DHHL website and regional homestead leaders are notified via email.* At the December HHC, we also announced the upcoming vacancy during the presentation of our submittal.

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2. **Application open.** *Interested applicants complete an application form available on the DHHL website prior to the posted deadline.* The application deadline was January 13, 2025, and displayed on the DHHL website.
3. **Review of applications.** *DHHL staff internally review the applications and select a potential representative utilizing guidelines that were decided upon in Beneficiary Consultation. This criteria includes applicant affiliation with DHHL and relevant water experience and knowledge related to the water license areas of the board.*
4. **Recommendation of representative to the Hawaiian Homes Commission.** *The potential representative is recommended to the HHC via submittal by DHHL staff.*
5. **Approval by the Hawaiian Homes Commission.** *The Commission approves the nominee to represent DHHL and the HHC on the East Maui Regional Community Board. At our January Commission, Dr. Scheuer was unanimously approved.*

Included in the steps taken to create the selection process, DHHL staff held a beneficiary consultation process gather feedback and discuss the process. Approximately 3,063 applicants and lessees residing in Maui County were invited to join staff virtually via Zoom on October 28, 2024. Notification of this meeting was sent via U.S. Postal Mail and to 50 Maui County Homestead Community Leaders via email. Prior to this beneficiary consultation, a webpage was created and shared to disseminate information and provide easy access to communication pieces, including relevant submittals, background on the East Maui Irrigation system, and a weblink to the meeting. Expectations and ideal characteristics of a nominee were reviewed and considered at the meetings.

After the beneficiary consultation meeting, a comment period of 30-days followed, allowing beneficiaries to review the meeting recording and provide comments or questions. Utilizing the comments DHHL received, staff ensured beneficiaries' desired attributes of an ideal representative were incorporated into criteria. These criteria are:

- They possess an existing or previous affiliation with DHHL through being
  - A Lessee or Applicant
  - A DHHL employee or consultant
  - A member of the Hawaiian Homes Commission
- They possess relevant water experience and knowledge related to the water license areas of the board, which include:
  - Firsthand experiences with ranching, farming, aquaculture, or loko i`a
  - Water resource management and watershed restoration experience
  - Advocacy related to water
  - Completion of the *I Mana i ka Wai: Kūkulu Kahawai Water Law and Leadership Training Series*

Alice Lee, Chairperson  
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The development and implementation of this selection process, in addition to the HHC seat on this board, furthers three of the four priority goals in the HHC's Water Policy Plan.

1. Affirmatively communicate with beneficiaries regarding water decisions, performance, and water rights on a regional and annual basis.
2. Aggressively, proactively, consistently and comprehensively for the kuleana of the beneficiaries, the DHHL, and the HHC to water before all relevant agencies and entities.
3. Support watershed protection and restoration on DHHL lands and source areas for DHHL water.

We are excited to see the various ways that Dr. Scheuer's work will continue to benefit the Maui County, our Trust, the beneficiaries of the Trust, the Commission, and DHHL. We respectfully ask your committee to advise and consent this appointment. Mahalo for this opportunity to provide testimony.

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Aloha e Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Sugimura, and Members of the Council,

My name is Laurien Nuss from the Hilo, HI. I met Dr. Scheuer 6 years ago working on enviromental and water issues being led by Native Hawaiian and place-based community organizations. I strongly support Resolution 25-50 approving the appointment of Dr. Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board.

In addition to being a wonderful resource and educator with the I Mana i ka Wai: Kūkulu Kahuwai DHHL Water Law and Leadership Trainings, Dr. Scheuer has been a champion and advocate for DHHL and its beneficiaries. His devotion and expertise are a living testimate to leadership and decision making that genuinely reflects the foundational principles of pono outcomes that truly benefit our social, cultural and ecological resources. Mahalo for your time and consideration.

Me ke aloha,

Laurien "Lala" Nuss  
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*Aloha e Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Sugimura, and Members of the Council,*

*My name is Dennis L. Neves, Hawaiian Homes Commissioner-Kauai. I am providing support for Dr Jonathon Likeke Scheuer's appointment to the East Maui Regional Community Board. As a Commissioner I represent all beneficiaries. Dr. Scheuer incorporates the same kuleana. I am always amazed by Dr. Scheuer's extensive knowledge and expertise on water issues throughout the pai'aina. I believe he will be a great addition to the board.*

*Respectfully,*

*Dennis L Neves  
Hawaiian Homes Commissioner-Kaua'i*

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Aloha e Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Sugimura, and Members of the Council,

My name is Germaine Meyers. I'm a Nanakuli Hawaiian Homestead lessee.

I kukakuka with Dr. Scheuer at several Hawaiian Homes Commission meetings and at the I Mana i ka Wai Water Law and Leadership Training. Dr. Scheuer is a respected and respectful leader within our native Hawaiian community.

I strongly support Resolution 25-50 approving the appointment of Dr. Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board.

Ke Akua pu,  
Germaine Meyers

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*Aloha e Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Sugimura, and Members of the Council,*

*My name is Kilia Purdy-Avelino from Ho'olehua Homestead, Moloka'i. Since Dr. Jonathan Likeke Scheuer's role with Hawaiian Homes, he has been a great support to our homestead beneficiaries, sharing his knowledge through educational workshops, conferences, and making time to talk one-on-one with constituents. I strongly support Resolution 25-50 approving the appointment of Dr. Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board.*

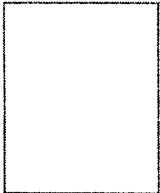
*Me ka ha'aba'a,*

*Kilia Purdy-Avelino*

*Ho'olehua Homestead, Moloka'i*

*"A'ohe hana nui ke alu 'ia!"*

*No task is too great when done together!*



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Testimony for Dr. Jonathan Scheuer

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Aloha e Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Sugimura, and members of the Council,

My name is Gilbert Fallau, a board member and resident of Kailapa, Kawaihae homestead. I met Dr. Scheuer at the I Mana I ka Wai: Kūkulu Kahuwai DHHL Water Law and Leadership Trainings. Being a wonderful resource and educator, Dr. Scheuer has shown to be a champion and advocate for DHHL and its beneficiaries. I strongly support Resolution 25-50 approving the appointment of of Dr. Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board.

Mahalo,  
Gilbert Fallau

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*My name is Gracey Gomes from the Paukukalo, Maui Hawaiian Homestead].*

*I met Dr. Scheuer a few years back as he vied a position on the East Maui Water Board, also as an educator in the I Mana I Ka Wai Water and Leadership Training, and at a beneficiary consultation meeting, a community meeting with the Hawaiian Homes Commission, etc. He is also a champion and awesome advocate for our Native Hawaiian People and DHHL Leasees and Beneficiaries as well as our AHHL Waitlisters.*

*I strongly support Resolution 25-50 approving the appointment of Dr. Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board.*

*Mahalo Nui,*

*Gracey Gomes*

*Makana No Ke Kaiaulu*

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In support of Dr. Scheuer "Resolution 25-50"

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Aloha e Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Sugimura, and Members of the Council,

My name is Sonny Del Toro from the Kanehili, Kapolei 'Oahu homestead. I have been a member of the Kanehili Community Association Board as a Director working strategic planning for capital projects and secretary. I am currently at the Kapolei Community Development Corporation as the treasure. I also work with local contractors servicing naval vessels by providing government oversight. I observed Dr. Scheuer leadership and wisdom as he discussed Moku 'o Keawe water concerns, at the Native Hawaiian Convention in 2024. He has a wide reaching and positive outlook on water policies for every island including Maui. I have heard him during community meetings with the Hawaiian Homes Commission and discussed law options with him in a positive and professional manner during the I Mana i ka Wai Water Law and Leadership Training. Your opportunity to have him as part of your board and commission will compliment your responsibility as Maui's regional leadership. I strongly support Resolution 25-50 approving the appointment of Dr. Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board.

Sincerely,

Sonny Del Toro

Pūpūkahi i holomua.

Unite in order to progress!

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Written Testimony in support of Dr. Jonathan Scheuer

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Aloha e Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Sugimura, and Members of the Council,

My name is Rachel Leinani Del Toro from the Kanehili, Kapolei 'Oahu homestead. I have been a member of the Kanehili Community for over five years and am currently finishing my baccalaureate in Political Science at University of Hawaii, West 'Oahu. I observed Dr. Scheuer extensive knowledge of opportunities to provide water to many drought-stricken areas on the Big Island as he discussed Moku 'o Keawe water concerns, at the Native Hawaiian Convention in 2024. His understanding of the complexity of community water problems is far reaching and has positive expectations. I am sure he has an even greater depth to help implement water policies for the East Maui Region. I have heard him during community meeting with the Hawaiian Homes Commission and observed and understood law options he taught. He is positive, professional and knowledgeable throughout the Mana i ka Wai Water Law and Leadership Classes. The opportunity to have Dr. Scheuer as part of your board and commission will compliment your responsibility as Maui's regional leadership. I strongly support Resolution 25-50 approving the appointment of Dr. Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board.

With Regards,  
Rachel L. Del Toro  
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Aloha e Chair Lee, Vice Chair Sugimura, and Members of the Council:

My name is Janice Herrick, and I am a resident of Paukūkalo Hawaiian Homes in Wailuku. I met Dr. Scheuer three years ago, at a beneficiary community meeting on Maui with the Hawaiian Homes Commission. With many others, I have benefited from the wealth of knowledge he shares at the Mana i ka Wai Water Law and Leadership Training. Dr. Likelike Scheuer continues to freely share ike at various community events on Maui. **I trust him.** Dr. Sheuer is in attendance at so many Maui events, that it's easy to forget he resides on O'ahu.

I strongly support Resolution 25-50 approving the appointment of Dr. Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board.

Very truly yours,

Janice Herrick  
Lessee, Paukūkalo Hawaiian Homes

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Aloha mai kākou e Maui County Council members,

On behalf of the Hawaiian Homes beneficiary organization, Kula-based Pā'upena Community Development Inc., I support confirmation of Dr. Jonathan Likeke Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board water authority.

With a Ph.D. degree in environmental studies, Scheuer co-authored the book, "Water and Power in West Maui." He is the DHHL water consultant, who has analyzed Maui homestead water needs for the 31,000 acres of Hawaiian homelands on the Valley Isle.

The Honolulu Civil Beat wrote, "Scheuer is considered a leading expert on water issues in Hawai'i."

Therefore, I join the eight-member board of directors of Pā'upena Community Development Inc. in endorsing final council confirmation of Dr. Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board water authority.

Sincerely yours,



Kekoa Enomoto  
Co-founding director  
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Aloha Chair and Council Members,

My name is Jade Alohalani Smith and I strongly support the Resolution 25-50 approving the appointment of Dr. Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board.

I have testified in support of Dr. Scheuer before regarding the Water Authority in the East Maui Sector and that I will share my "Why". My Lineal descent is deeply rooted in East Maui. Our Ohana owned land in the Ahupua'a of Makapuu with the water that comes out of the streams there. Once upon a time, as an 18 year old, I was involved with my Ohana, OHA and Bank of Hawaii assisting our Ohana with the land and water issues that we were faced with; back in the days. Hewa hit and EMI received the lease to the water rights from the State. As a witness to this continued Hewa, I put my faith in Dr. Scheuer. He is overly qualified and will get the job done; and some.

I also want to share that I am the Founder of Wakiu Community Development Corporation in East Maui and serve as the Interim Secretary. We are Advocates for our Hawaiian Homes Beneficiaries and provide training to educate and to receive Hawaiian Homes that are soon to be a reality. We, as a Board, accomplished bringing our Beneficiaries together and planned out our Master Plan for Wakiu with the help of DHHL Planning Department and Group 70. The Master Plan is in the draft stage and having Beneficiary Consultation. We are now 5 years old and continue to serve. My "Why" again is to put faith in our people (Beneficiaries and Community of the East Maui) to protect our culture, natural resources and to exist and continue practicing our culture. This area has an abundance of water and the Beneficiaries have superior rights to our water (stated in our Hawaiian Homes Act). Also, we have Kuleana rights as the area is saturated with Agricultural sites. We shouldn't have issues with our water there but it's too premature to say so. I truly believe Dr. Scheuer will lead, while educating and offering superior knowledge in exchange with receiving knowledge from his fellow Members. A win-win outcome.

I will leave you something to think about. We, Kanaka, are truly one people. We are all connected to Hawaii Ali'i's/Monarchy through our bloodline. No where in the World did a Monarchy leave their people Trusts like ours did today. They were always for their people.

I want Mahalo Jehovah God and Jesus, who continues to bless his people world wide. When King Kamehameha (my Ancestor) completed the Declaration of Independence/Constitution for the Kingdom of Hawaii in 1840, they created it from the 10 Commandments acknowledging the name of God; Jehovah. Our Alii's were also so smart to have created our Constitution that made us a Christian Nation that actually, was in perfect timing to protect us from land grab from the European Doctrine of Discovery that could have taken our Islands away. Did they know that was coming?

Mahalo for this time to share my support, history and truth. Faith is the assured expectation of what is hoped for, the evident demonstration of realities that are not seen.

With much respect,  
Jade Alohalani Smith  
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To: Maui County Council  
Alice Lee, Chair  
Yuki Lei Sugimura, Vice-Chair

From: Jonathan Helton, Policy Researcher  
Grassroot Institute of Hawaii

RE: Bill 105 (2024) CD1 — A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 19.500.110, MAUI COUNTY CODE, REGARDING NONCONFORMITIES

Aloha Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Sugimura and other members of the Council,

The Grassroot Institute of Hawaii **supports** Bill 105 (2024), CD1, which would modify how nonconforming structures and uses can be rebuilt or restored after being destroyed by a natural disaster.

The reforms in this bill are critical for Lahaina's comeback — especially for its charming historic aesthetic.

In particular, the bill would provide a four-year window during which nonconforming structures and uses could be restored, under certain conditions. The Maui planning director could extend that window an additional two years if the building owner were to demonstrate good cause that the extra time is necessary and if the structure or use is located in a county historic district or a special management area.

For structures or uses destroyed or discontinued because of the August 2023 wildfires, the window for restoring a building or use would be open until April 1, 2029.

The bill would also specify that non-owner-occupied transient vacation rental units would not be considered as a nonconforming use that could be restored under this bill.

The Maui County Code currently requires that any structure 50% or more destroyed must be rebuilt under existing zoning codes, with limited exceptions for historic properties and certain multifamily dwellings.

Likewise, nonconforming uses cannot be restored in a structure if they have been discontinued for 12 or more consecutive months.<sup>1</sup>

These standards obviously present a major challenge to Maui residents attempting to rebuild after the 2023 wildfires.

For example, restoring Lahaina’s community-focused and walkable town center will not be possible without zoning changes such as the ones proposed in this bill.

After Hurricane Iniki struck Kauai in 1992, the Kauai County Council adopted an ordinance similar to this bill to foster the reconstruction of nonconforming structures and reinstatement of nonconforming uses.<sup>2</sup>

Grassroot’s recent policy brief “Six ways to speed up the recovery and rebuilding of Lahaina” addresses Bill 105 (2024) in detail and discusses other strategies the Council could adopt to reduce barriers to rebuilding in Lahaina.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Jonathan Helton  
Policy Researcher  
Grassroot Institute of Hawaii

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<sup>1</sup> Kate Blystone, “A Bill For an Ordinance Amending Section 19.500.110, Maui County Code, Regarding Nonconformities,” Memo to the Maui, Molokai and Lanai Planning Commissions, Feb. 21, 2024.

<sup>2</sup> “Iniki exceptions OK’d by Council,” Honolulu Advertiser, Feb. 11, 1993.

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**From:** Sondra Haley <sjhaley1@gmail.com>  
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Aloha Chair Lee and Honorable Members of the Council,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide personal testimony relevant to Bill 105.

My name is Sondra Haley, and I previously testified of our 37-year history operating a legal Transient Vacation Rental and requested that the amendment be eliminated, affecting one single property.

Although our home miraculously survived the fire, the interior was damaged by highly toxic substances, requiring interior repairs. As a result, we had to reschedule the reservations booked through 2024. We have not yet been able to accommodate those stays because water, sewer, and access to the neighborhood have only recently been restored. As an example, water service was restored in mid-November 2024.

I respectfully request a revision to Bill 105 to allow continued non-conforming TVR use by the one single property affected in the amendment.

Please consider adding language allowing continued use by owner-occupied accommodations *and* properties with the Planning Department's non-conforming TVR use approval letter before December 31, 2015. We believe we are the only property with a Planning Department approval letter during this period.

This subsection shall not apply to non-conforming transient accommodations occupied by the owner or to properties issued a letter from the Department of Planning before December 31, 2015, affirming the non-conforming transient accommodations use.

On behalf of my neighbors and friends, I am grateful for Councilmember Paltin's tireless efforts to help advance the building process for the Lahaina community. I want to ensure the Council and the Lahaina residents that our interior repairs will not compete with their rebuilding progress.

Mahalo for your time and consideration,

Sondra Haley

Nolan K. & Johnnie-Mae L. Perry of Wai'anae Valley Homestead on the island of O'ahu since February 1978 to present. I, Johnnie-Mae L. Perry, Wai'anae Coast Neighborhood Board #24 met Dr. Jonathan Likelike Scheuer at our community meeting during his presentation on Water. I look forward to collaborating with him and other panelists at the March/April: I Mana i ka Wai: Kūkulu Kahuwai DHHL Water Law and Leadership Trainings.


We, Nolan K. & Johnnie-Mae L. Perry, **strongly support Resolution 25-50** approving the appointment of Dr. Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board to continue his advocacy and championing for DHHL and its beneficiaries.

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TO: Council Chair Alice Lee, Vice-Chair Yuki Lei Sugimura and Members of the Maui County Council

MEASURE: CR 25-16

SUBJECT: Testimony in Strong Support of the Appointment of Dr. Jonathan Likeke Scheuer to the East Maui Regional Community Board as the Hawaiian Homes Commission's Representative

My name is Perry Artates, President of the Waiohuli Hawaiian Homesteaders Association, Inc. (WHHA) and I strongly support of the appointment of Dr. Jonathan Likeke Scheuer to represent the Hawaiian Homes Commission on the East Maui Regional Community Board

WHHA has known and worked with "Likeke" for many years, particularly in his prior capacities with the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. His expertise and guidance on water resource management has been integral towards establishing the frame work for embracing Native Hawaiian perspectives. While he is not a physical resident of Maui, Waiohuli supports that his subject-matter knowledge and cultural awareness will best represent the Hawaiian Homes Commission and its beneficiaries. I strongly urge the Maui County Council to support "Likeke's" appointment.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Aloha,



Perry O. Artates  
President  
Waiohuli Hawaiian Homesteaders Association, Inc.

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Aloha Chairperson Lee and Members,

I am writing to express my strong support for the appointment/reappointment of **Dr. Jonathan Scheuer**. I have had the privilege of working with Dr. Scheuer over the years and can attest to his integrity, depth of knowledge, and deep commitment to the people and land of Hawai'i.

Dr. Scheuer brings a rare combination of strategic thinking, cultural grounding, and practical experience in natural resource management, policy, and governance. He has consistently demonstrated thoughtfulness in navigating complex issues, especially those involving Native Hawaiian rights, conservation, and public trust responsibilities. His leadership style is collaborative and principled—qualities that are essential for effective public service.

He understands the weight of kuleana and approaches his work with humility and care. Whether facilitating difficult conversations or guiding policy decisions, he listens deeply and seeks outcomes that are pono—not just expedient.

I urge you to confirm Dr. Scheuer. His continued service will benefit not only the entity he serves but also the broader lāhui and future generations.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Me ka ha'aha'a,

Leah Burrows-Nuuanu

Beneficiary of the HHCA