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Honorable Michael P. Victorino Mayor, County of Maui Wailuku, HI 96793

For transmittal to:
Mr. Michael Molina
Chair, Government Relations, Ethics, and Transparency Committee
County of Maui
200 South High Street, Eight Floor

Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

RE: BICYCLE-TOUR PUBLIC SAFETY AND RELATED LITIGATION CONCERNS

Dear Chair Molina:

This is in response to your request for comments regarding the proposed changes to Maui County Code Chapter 5.22 RELATING TO BICYCLE TOUR BUSINESSES (GREAT-44).

The following are annual statistics for bicycle-related accidents and fatalities on the island of Maui for calendar years 2011 to 2021:

- Between November 1, 2011 and November 1, 2021 there were <u>25</u> bicycle involved major accidents (accidents involving injury). Of the 25, <u>three</u> were confirmed to by tour company related (year 2019, 2020, 2021). <u>Three</u> were unguided (or self-lead) tours.
- A search for minor accident reports involving a bicycle resulted in <u>12</u> incidents during that same time period. It is unconfirmed if these were guided/unguided tours.
- A search for Miscellaneous Accident reports found <u>29</u> involving bicycles in the same time period and found <u>three</u> of which involved a tour company. <u>Two</u> were part of a guided tour and <u>one</u> was self-guided. This classification search is the only one that found any fatal

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accidents. There was <u>one</u> fatal accident which was on a self-guided tour. That fatality occurred in 2021.

Captain Gregg Okamoto of our Quality Assurance Section will be representing our department at the GREAT Committee's reconvened meeting on November 24, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

If you have additional questions, please contact Captain Okamoto at ext. 6446 or email: gregg.okamoto@mpd.net.

Sincerely,

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