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REFERENCE NO. BD-BA 23-08

August 26, 2022

Honorable Michael P. Victorino Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

**APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL** 

Michael P. Vite s/ze/

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Alice Lee, Chair and Members of the Maui County Council 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Lee and Members:

SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO APPENDIX A, PART I, GRANTS AND RESTRICTED USE REVENUES FOR FISCAL YEAR ("FY") 2023, DEPARTMENT OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY (VICTIM WITNESS PROGRAM GRANT)

On behalf of the Department of the Prosecuting Attorney, I am transmitting a proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO APPENDIX A, PART I, GRANTS AND RESTRICTED USE REVENUES – SCHEDULE OF GRANTS AND RESTRICTED USE REVENUES BY DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAMS, DEPARTMENT OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY."

The purpose of the proposed bill is to amend Appendix A, Part I of the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget by adding a new grant entitled "Victim Witness Program" for \$64,864 and 1.0 Limited Term Appointment (LTA) equivalent personnel.

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The funds will be used to support a Victim Witness Counselor II position to assist with the backlog of sexual assault cases. The Counselor will work directly with sexual assault victims and assist detectives with over 100 cases. It will also allow for the Victim/Witness Support Services to provide crisis and support counseling, court accomplishment, transportation, defendant's bail and custody status, victim impact statement submitted for pre-sentence reports by the Probation Department, Parole Board Advocacy on victim perspective and concerns, social service referral, and assistance with property return.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. Should you have any questions, please contact me at ext. 7212.

Sincerely,

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MICHELE M. YOSHIMURA Budget Director

Attachment

cc: Andrew Martin, Prosecuting Attorney