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July 13, 2016

Ms. Carol Reimann, Director Department of Housing and Human Concerns County of Maui Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Ms. Reimann:

SUBJECT: HOMELESSNESS IN MAUI COUNTY (HHT-38)

At its meeting of July 12, 2016, the Housing, Human Services, and Transportation Committee met to discuss the issue of homelessness in Maui County and, in particular, efforts being undertaken by the Maui Homeless Alliance and your Department to address homelessness.

May I please request your response to the following:

- 1. Page 19 of your presentation lists the membership of the Maui Homeless Alliance. Briefly describe the role or services each member provides the Maui Homeless Alliance or the homeless population generally.
- 2. In addition to the resources noted above, briefly describe other resources available to address issues our County's homeless individuals face. Please advise whether it would be feasible to produce a homeless resource directory of services, providers, and contact information. The Committee also noted it would be helpful to make such a directory available online.
- 3. Provide cost estimates for each of the considerations to reduce homelessness provided by Mayor Arakawa in his correspondence dated July 5, 2016. Identify whether County funding would be the exclusive source and if not, identify other potential funding sources for each project.

- a. Where new facilities are suggested, advise whether County-owned land has been identified for the project, and if not, provide land costs in your estimate.
- b. The Mayor encourages expeditious review of the proposals and states, "Many of these projects can be done quickly with the Governor's proclamation in place." Identify which of the listed projects can benefit from the Governor's proclamation and in what specific way, and cite specific exemptions and, if available, funding that would be relied upon to achieve quick completion of the project.
- c. As the Committee's consideration progresses, it will be important to know the projected cost of not only facility planning, design, and construction, but also of long-term maintenance and staffing costs. Please be prepared to provide this type of information in the near future.
- 4. The Committee noted a recent event on the Big Island called the Convoy of Hope appeared to be a type of event worth exploring. The event offered an array of services, including dental services and groceries, to assist the community. The Committee also discussed a similar event held by the County with support from the military in the past. Please advise whether this type of event is something your Department and the Maui Homeless Alliance are willing to explore. (See https://www.convoyofhope.org/outreach/bigisland/.)

May I please request your response by **Wednesday**, **July 27**, **2016**. To the extent you need additional time to respond to specific questions above, please include that in your response. To ensure efficient processing, please include the relevant Committee item number in the subject line of your response.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Michele Yoshimura at ext. 7663, or Tammy Frias at ext. 8005).

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STACY CRIVELLO, Chair Housing, Human Services, and

Transportation Committee

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