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October 27, 2014

Chair Don S. Guzman
and Members
Economic Development, Energy, Agriculture and Recreation Committee
Maui County Council
Wailuku, HI 96793

Dear Chair Guzman and EAR members:

Re: POTENTIAL REDESIGN OF THE SOUTH MAUI GYMNASIUM IN KIHEI TO A
MULTI-PURPOSE CENTER (EAR-41)

As a non-voting member of the Economic Development, Energy, Agriculture and Recreation Committee, I am taking this means to express my support for the redesign of the South Maui Gym in Kihei to a Multi-Purpose Center. The redesign would provide more options for use by the community and schools, including sporting events (e.g. basketball and other invitational tournaments) and secured facilities for private sector and governmental meeting functions.

South Maui currently maintains a sizeable inventory of hotel rooms and other amenities to support such a multi-purpose facility. The redesign of the facility to accommodate both public and private users will better enable shared costs in the maintenance and security of the facility. Based on my knowledge of other county multi-purpose facilities across the nation, I know that both public and private uses can be accommodated and effectively managed.

In closing, I urge your support of the redesign of the South Maui Gymnasium in Kihei to a Multi-Purpose Center and appropriate action by the committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Riki Hokama", is written over a horizontal line.

RIKI HOKAMA
Council Member

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