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October 12, 2016

Honorable Alan Arakawa Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, HI 96793

For Transmittal to: Honorable Don Guzman, Chair Economic Development, Energy, Agriculture, and Recreation Committee 200 South High Street Wailuku, HI 96793

Dear Chair Guzman,

SUBJECT: Molokai Enterprise Zone Resolution

I am pleased to submit to you the resolution authorizing the Mayor to submit an application to request the Governor of Hawaii to designate the island of Molokai as an enterprise zone for twenty years due to expiration of the prior enterprise zone designation.

We look forward to working with you on this matter. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at ext. 7224.

Sincerely,

Director

Attachment

CC:

Keith Regan, Managing Director Herman Andaya, Chief of Staff Sandy Baz, Budget Director

## Resolution

No.	

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO REQUEST THE GOVERNOR OF HAWAII TO DESIGNATE THE ISLAND OF MOLOKAI AS AN ENTERPRISE ZONE FOR TWENTY YEARS DUE TO EXPIRATION OF THE PRIOR ENTERPRISE ZONE DESIGNATION, PURSUANT TO SECTION 3.80.030, MAUI COUNTY CODE

WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii previously designated the Island of Molokai as an enterprise zone pursuant to Chapter 209E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and Chapter 6 of Title 15, Hawaii Administrative Rules, for a twenty-year period; and

WHEREAS, the designated Molokai Enterprise Zone's twenty-year period will expire on December 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the criteria for designating the Island of Molokai as an enterprise zone remains applicable and such designation has proven to stimulate economic development on the Island of Molokai and the County of Maui; and

WHEREAS, the County of Maui desires to continue to encourage sound economic development and generate employment by providing tax incentives to approved businesses within such an enterprise zone, as

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more specifically set forth in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and made a

part hereof, by having the Island of Molokai again designated as an

enterprise zone for another twenty-year period; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.80.030, Maui County Code, provides that

nomination for designation as enterprise zone requires approval by the

Council of the County of Maui by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the County of Maui will offer eligible Molokai

businesses a three-year exemption from any increase in property taxes

resulting from new construction in the enterprise zone; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

1. That it does hereby authorize the Mayor to submit the

application in Exhibit "A" to the State Department of Business, Economic

Development and Tourism, for processing and recommendation to the

Governor for designation of the Island of Molokai as an enterprise zone;

and

2. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the

Mayor and the Director of the Office of Economic Development.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

JERRIE L. SHEPPARD

Deputy Corporation Counsel County of Maui 2016-1203 EXHIBIT "A" to be distributed at the meeting

(maps attached hereto will be attached to Exhibit "A")



