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**Testimony on the Proposed Grant of Lease of Real Property to
Teach Development LLC (Old Maui High School Campus)
(EAR-63)**

August 2, 2016

Dear Chair Guzman, Vice Chair Cochran &
Members of the Committee,

Aloha and Mahalo for providing the opportunity to ring in on the proposal to authorize grant of a lease of real property to Teach Development LLC of Old Maui High School Campus.

We are writing in SUPPORT of the authorization to grant a lease for Old Maui High School Campus to Teach Development LLC. The Old Maui High School is a legendary and important historical landmark in our community. Unfortunately over the past decades, efforts to repair and restore the high school and make it usable again have not materialized despite the amazing efforts of the Friends of Old Maui High School. The Friends of Old Maui High School have tried desperately to raise the funds necessary to refurbish this landmark, but their efforts have been insurmountable thus far. It is our understanding that through this opportunity with Teach Development LLC, the facility will be renovated through a \$56M investment and the Friends of Old Maui High School will have a place to share this rich history with the community in the form of an Old Maui High School Museum. The efforts that Teach Development LLC is making in their proposal give us a winning solution for keeping this facility in our community and restoring it so that the legacy of Old Maui High School may continue. If we do not accept this proposal from Teach Development LLC, this site that is a pillar to our community will continue to fall into further disarray. We strongly support this authorization to grant the lease of Old Maui High School to Teach Development to preserve this landmark for generations to come.

Sincerely,

Pamela Tumpap
President