

To: Maui County Council
c/o Elle Cochran - County Council for Lahaina
Re. Testimony for October 30, 2017
Subject Sand Moratorium

From: Victoria N. Kaluna-Palafox
of Lahaina in Support of Moratorium
to stop sand mining.

Aloha Madam Chairman,

I am in full support of a Moratorium on Sand Mining.

1. Proper protocol and respect to rules and regulations set forth in rules 6E is not being respected, by developers nor supported by the County. Both have a different set of rules.
 - a. As we all know rules and regulation is set for the protection and respect of the history and culture and limited resources of the host people as a whole and its lands.
 - b. With corporation or developers not following protocol brings damage to the aina, i'wi kupuna, their stories, our history, tradition, culture and value to our limited resources of the land as a whole.
 - c. Education and awareness is our greatest foundation.

Outcome; If Moratorium is put in place we as a whole can find the areas of concern and repair so that this moku has control of history and resources. Finding the mistakes and or reasons to not follow SHPD Regulations that has been set in place needs to be answered or clarified to why the protection as set by laws are not followed and see where maybe the wordings are not clear enough. If we are allowing out of state corporations develop here. Maybe we need to look into what rules they work with as far as protecting their environment and or resources. They may or may not have one. That is a consideration. If they do not have then, this county council as well as the Aha Moku can educate on how Maui preserves and protect the things that are important to us so that they may understand our ways that. We live on and island and all our resources are limited and that the history we carry is so different and special then others will build a strong legacy not only for our Moku but our people and the rich heritage and value that we carry so dearly.

We pray, that today will be a day of malama ka aina, and working together for a better and richer tomorrow for our future and that we can continue to help to heal all that is within our wahi pana and wahi kapu so that our resources will grow and be replenished for today and tomorrow.

Mahalo ka kou, for allowing me to be a part of the healing.

Victoria N. Kaluna-Palafox