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The Honorable Mike White Council Chair County of Maui

Dear Chair White:

Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION URGE PROACTIVE TO ENFORCEMENT **ADMINISTRATION** AND OF CHAPTER HAWAII REVISED STATUTES. **6E**. PRESERVATION RELATING TO OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN BURIALS (PAF 17-271)

May I request the attached proposed resolution, entitled "URGING THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE TO HAVE THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, THROUGH ITS STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION AND DIVISION OF CONSERVATION AND RESOURCES ENFORCEMENT, PROACTIVELY ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE CHAPTER 6E, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, RELATING TO PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN BURIALS," be placed on the next Council meeting agenda.

Sincerely,

YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA Councilmember

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Enclosure

COUNTY COMMUNICATION NO. UT-480

Resolution

No. _____

URGING THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE TO HAVE THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, THROUGH ITS STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION AND DIVISION OF CONSERVATION AND RESOURCES ENFORCEMENT, PROACTIVELY ADMINISTER AND ENFORCE CHAPTER 6E, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, RELATING TO PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN BURIALS

WHEREAS, the State Department of Land and Natural Resources ("DLNR") manages, administers, and exercises control over particular lands and historical properties; and

WHEREAS, DLNR, through its State Historic Preservation Division, strives to preserve and protect Hawaii's historic identity through protecting historic properties and burial sites that may be affected during the course of land development or land alteration activities; and

WHEREAS, the Island Burial Councils make recommendations to DLNR regarding appropriate management, treatment, and protection of prehistoric and historic native Hawaiian burial sites; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 6E-43, Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS"), at any site other than a known, maintained, actively used cemetery, where human skeletal remains are discovered or are known to be buried and appear to be over fifty years old, the remains and their associated burial goods shall not be moved without recommendation from the respective Burial Council and approval of the DLNR; and

WHEREAS, DLNR'S Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement is responsible for the enforcement of the state law under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Land and Natural Resources, including Chapter 6E, HRS, relating to historic preservation; now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

- 1. That it does hereby urge the Governor of the State of Hawaii and the Hawaii State Legislature to take action to have the Department of Land and Natural Resources proactively implement Chapter 6E, HRS, and DLNR's own administrative rules relating to historic preservation, including:
 - a. Timely review and ongoing oversight of archaeological inventory surveys, archaeological monitoring plans, and archaeological preservation plans, including requiring that the State Historic Preservation Division conduct site inspections during the course of land alteration activities to ensure compliance with approved plans, pursuant to Chapter 13-284, Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR"); and
 - b. That in conjunction with the appropriate Burial Council, timely conduct obligations related to the management, treatment, and protection of native Hawaiian burial sites and human remains, pursuant to Section 6E-43, HRS, et seq., and Chapter 13-300, HAR; and
 - c. Through DLNR's Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement, proactively enforce against violations of Chapter 6E, HRS, including violations related to failing to adhere to conditions set forth in an approved mitigation plan that includes monitoring and preservations plans; and
- 2. That certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Governor of the State of Hawaii; the President of the State Senate; the Speaker of the State House of Representatives; the County's delegation to the State Legislature; the State of Hawaii, Department of Land and Natural Resources; DLNR's State Historic Preservation Division; DLNR's Division of Conservation and Resource Enforcement; the Mayor of the County of Maui; and the Corporation Counsel.

Resolution No. _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

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Deputy Corporation Counsel County of Maui

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