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Date: January 29, 2018 By Dept. of The Corporation Counsel at 4:07 pm, Jan 29, 2018 From: Yuki Lei Sugimura, Chair Policy, Economic Development, and Agriculture Committee TRANSMITTAL DEPARTMENT OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL Memo to: Attention: Jennifer Oana, Esq. Subject: PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR CONTROL (PEA-56) Background Data: Please incorporate the revisions shown on the attached marked-up copy of the resolution and, if appropriate, approve the revised proposed resolution as to form and legality. Please include a signed hard copy with your response. Work Requested: [X] FOR APPROVAL AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY Ш [] OTHER: Contact Person Carla Nakata (Telephone Extension: 7659) ROUTINE (WITHIN 15 WORKING DAYS) [] RUSH (WITHIN 5 WORKING DAYS) [] PRIORITY (WITHIN 10 WORKING DAYS) [X] URGENT (WITHIN 3 WORKING DAYS) [] SPECIFY DUE DATE (IF IMPOSED BY SPECIFIC CIRCUMSTANCES): REASON: FOR CORPORATION COUNSEL'S RESPONSE BY: kku ASSIGNED TO: JMO ASSIGNMENT NO. 2017-0098 TO REQUESTOR: MAPPROVED | | DISAPPROVED | OTHER (SEE COMMENTS BELOW) [] RETURNING--PLEASE EXPAND AND PROVIDE DETAILS REGARDING ITEMS AS NOTED COMMENTS (NOTE - THIS SECTION NOT TO BE USED FOR LEGAL ADVICE): __

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Resolution

No.

AUTHORIZING THE COUNCIL CHAIR TO CONTRACT FOR A PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR CONTROL

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3-6 of the Revised Charter of the County of Maui (1983), as amended ("Charter"), the Council has the authority to conduct investigations of the operation of any department or function of the County and any subject upon which the Council may legislate; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 8-13.5 of the Charter, the Department of Liquor Control is responsible for investigating violations of the liquor control laws of the State and of rules established by the Liquor Control Commission, and investigating applications for liquor licenses; and

WHEREAS, in the performance of those investigations, including the processing of liquor license applications, the Director administers certain practices and procedures to implement State requirements; and

WHEREAS, although Chapter 281, Hawaii Revised Statutes, applies statewide, it appears the manner of implementation has diverged from the way in which other counties in the State implement those same laws and, in fact, have diverged from implementation of those laws as previously performed by Maui County; and

WHEREAS, the Council's confidence in the performance of the Department of Liquor Control is waning; and

WHEREAS, gains in operational integrity and efficiency that would benefit the Department and the public could be identified through a thirdparty performance audit, to be funded through the Council Services Program budget for audits; now, therefore,

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

1. That it hereby authorizes the Council Chair to contract for a performance audit of the Department of Liquor Control; and

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2. That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, the Director of Liquor Control, and the Chair of the Liquor Control Commission.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

JENNFER M.P.E. OANA Deputy Corporation Counsel

County of Maui 2017-0098

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