EDB Committee

From: David Fitzgerald <dvd_ftzgrld@yahoo.ca>

Sent: Sunday, April 07, 2019 4:59 AM

To: EDB Committee

Subject: Proposed Tax increase

The proposed property tax increase for short term rental units is outrageous. I've owned and rented to happy vacationers for forty years. My costs have increased for everything and property taxes are high now for the size of the property, but the proposed tax increase is out of proportion. I strongly object.

Pauline Fitzgerald,

164-2737 S. Kihei Road

Hale Kamaole.

Sent from my iPad

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From: D Keliipuleole <dkeliipuleole@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, April 07, 2019 9:30 PM

To: EDB Committee

Cc: Jessica.Crouse@co.maui.hi.us

Subject: Budget Meeting Testimony on First-Time Home Buyer's Program Offered by Maui

Housing Division

P.O. Box 1665 Kihei, Hawaii 96753 April 7, 2019

Honorable Members of the Economic Development and Budget Committee Maui City Council

Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Meeting
Kihei Community Center, April 9, 2019
Testimony on First-Time Home Buyer's Program of the Maui Housing Division

Aloha. I am writing in support of the proposal to fund the First-Time Home Buyer's Program of the Maui Housing Division with \$2,000,000 for fiscal year 2020.

I recently received the opportunity to participate in this program. The program will assist with a grant of up to 30% of the purchase price (up to \$30,000) of a home. I am so very grateful for the opportunity to leave renting.

The rental market is a stressful one. Rent on Maui is costly and moving is stressful. I have moved twice in 5 years, and I pay about 40% of my after tax income on rent. However, that is not enough. I share the full rent with another family to afford a modest home. I also noticed that many households include multiple families for the same reason.

This First-Time Home Buyer's Program is critical for supporting those who desire to own their own home. Please support the continued funding of this program and other innovative efforts to support home ownership.

Sincerely,

Donalyn Keliipuleole

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From:

Hank <bank@maui.net>

Sent:

Sunday, April 07, 2019 10:00 AM

To:

EDB Committee

Subject:

Coqui frogs

Coqui frogs are expanding their territory on Maui.

Please give more money to MISC before it becomes economically impossible to control their expansion.

Thank you

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