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Please see attached letter in support of Kaupo Community Association, to be submitted at this morning's hearing.

Mahalo, Timmy Chinn Ph. 808.281.2233

May 15, 2019

To: Maui County Economic Development and Budget Committee

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Timmy Chinn. I am a Kaupo resident and landowner. I first came to Kaupo in 1972 as a teenager, and in subsequent years as often as possible. I have been a resident of Kaupo since 1996, and have been a member of the Kaupo Community Association since June of 1997. I was on The Board of Directors of the KCA, and served as Treasurer of the Association from 2007-2017, when I retired from the Board for personal reasons.

I have been a member of the Hawaii State Bar Association since 1987 (HSBA #4462). Currently I am employed by CBS Television as the Location Manager for the television show Hawaii Five-0, where I oversee a department of 10 people, and a budget in excess of \$5 million dollars spread over 10 months, roughly \$500K/month.

In 2007 I was one of the Location Managers on the third Pirates of the Caribbean movie, parts of which were shot both on Molokai and in Kaupo on Maui. In 2013 I brought Hawaii Five-0 to Maui to shoot scenes for an episode for Season 3 of the show, and in 2017 I managed scenes for one of the Jurassic Park movies, which we shot in Kaupo. All of these employed a number of Maui residents and brought income to our county.

I am writing this letter in full support of the current Board of Directors of the Kaupo Community Association and its current projects and activities.

It is well known that in recent years there have been a few negative and disruptive forces at work, both in Kaupo and within the community at large, with the specific goal and intent of derailing the work of both the Association and its Board. This is very unfortunate, and has been needlessly very stressful for all concerned.

Please note, that all current members of the Board of Directors of the Kaupo Community Association have been duly elected to their positions by the members of the Kaupo Community Association. Several of these people have been elected repeatedly. This in itself speaks volumes to the amount of trust that the community has had and continues to have in its Board members.

I implore you to take all of this into account in your business with the KCA, and to please not give credence to any single individual's vindictive assaults and totally unsubstantiated accusations and allegations.

Each and every one of the members of the KCA Board of Directors are dedicated to their duties, and this is all done on a strictly volunteer basis. They are doing incredible work, and we need your support.

Please know, there is much, much more that I could write here in support of the current Board of Directors of the KCA, but I think I have made my support for them totally clear, and I believe that my credentials and my past history on the Board validates this support.

I am sorry that I am not able to be present to testify in person as to my support for the Board, but if any of you have any questions for me or would like further comment from me, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Very Truly Yours,

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