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Honorable Michael P. Victorino Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, HI 96793

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Keani Rawlins-Fernandez Chair, Economic Development & Budget Committee Maui County Council 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

SUBJECT: MAUI COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS SENT TO MAUNA A WAKEA

Dear Chair Rawlins-Fernandez:

This letter is in response to the letter sent to Mayor Victorino, and copied to Chief Faaumu, on July 17, 2019. The following are the responses to your questions:

1. Exactly how much money will our taxpayers be expected to pay for the travel expenses for Maui County police presence on Mauna Kea?

None. The County of Maui taxpayers will not incur any costs in relation to the travel and police presence on Mauna Kea. The County of Hawaii will be responsible for all associated costs.

2. How much overtime will be paid out?

All pay associated with overtime will be incurred by the County of Hawaii.

3. How many officers are being deployed to the County of Hawaii and how will the loss of these officers be covered in our county in their absence?

MPD personnel were sent at the request of the Hawaii Police Department's operational assessment and need. The Department's Specialized Emergency Enforcement Detail (SPEED) supported this request. The comprised officers were chosen from various units and shifts to ensure that the deployment would not impact police service on Maui. For security reasons, the

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number and travel dates of the officers will not be released.

4. Were interdepartmental or interfund transfers used to pay for any of these expenses, and if so who approved these transfers?

Under the Charter for the County of Maui, Section 8-12.4(5) provides that the Chief of Police shall "[h]ave such powers and duties as may be assigned by the mayor or as may be provided by law." Pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes § 52D-5, the law provides that the Chief of Police of each county, and duly authorized subordinates, shall have and may exercise all powers, privileges, and authority necessary to enforce the laws of the State, in a county other than the county in and for which the chief has been appointed, if:

The concurrence of the chief of police of the county in which the power, privilege, and authority sought to be exercised is obtained.

The Chief of Police for the County of Hawaii requested assistance from our Department to assist with public safety and welfare. No funds were transferred. By correspondence dated June 25, 2019, the County of Hawaii has agreed to be responsible for all costs associated with having MPD personnel assist in maintaining public safety and welfare.

5. Has any county-owned equipment been transported or used in the County of Hawaii? If so, please provide the justification for its removal from our county and how will it be reimbursed, since it is not being used for our county and was not allocated for use in any other County?

Yes. The Department transported the following: (2) SPEED MPD vans to transport personnel. A third vehicle, the Kihei Patrol Wagon, was also transported to supplement movements from the area to the nearest processing facility.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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