AH Committee

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To: AH Committee

Subject: Affordable Housing Project (Chapter 201H, Hawaii Revised Statutes) (Independent Development of

Makila Farms; Lahaina) AH-1(3) Sub(3)

Aloha,

I am writing to express my support of the Makila Farms Work force project.

I have lived in West Maui for over 15 years and have seen many people that have been forced to move to the mainland because of the high cost of living here. Others are forced to move from one rental property to another, trying to find an affordable home. My husband and I have also struggled, without luck, to find an affordable single-family home.

I have researched Makila Farms and it an excellent solution for those who qualify for workforce housing. I have heard the concerns of the nearby residents and it seems that the developer is working hard to address them.

From what I've learned, the project is designed to mitigate fire concerns, access in and out, water runoff and septic issues. Additionally, they will take care of water issues by drilling an agriculture well for the subdivision.

We are in desperate need of affordable housing on Maui. Makila Farms is a project I would like to see approved so that more families can stay on Maui and continue to contribute to the community.

Thank you.

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