## **AH Committee**

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**To:** AH Committee

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

the Makila Farms Project (Lahaina)) Agenda Item AH-1 (3)

Tasha Kama, Chair – Housing Committee Maui County Council Kalana O Maui Building, Eight Floor 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

RE: Support Makila Farms AH-1 (3)

Dear Tasha Kama, Chair - Housing Committee

Aloha,

I am writing in support of the Makila Farms development in Launiupoko. I think this "Affordable/Workforce" Housing is a great opportunity for many residents of Maui to pursue the dream of being a homeowner, and maintaining being a positive contribution to the community.

I myself, am part of the workforce of the West Side. I have been an Ocean Safety Officer for the County of Maui since 2002, and I am an MIL swim coach for a local High School for 12 years. Makila Farms offers me the opportunities to continue being a positive influence and contributor to the way of life on Maui, and the West Side. The housing situation has become very difficult for many residents to own our own home. Makila Farms creates this opportunity.

Please support this development, and continue to approve it's forward progress. There are many people who seem to disapprove this project with the thought of "not in my backyard". That really is not the Aloha way, and it is not helpful to the ongoing progress that has been, and will be, experiencing life on Maui.

## Mahalo Aloha!

## - Mike

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