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,

I am in support of Makila Farms. We need to encourage and support as many of these workforce housing projects as possible. It's too bad there are only nineteen proposed homes, but I guess this is the best chance of satisfying all the legitimate concerns from opponents of the project.

My niece and her husband were over for dinner the other night telling us how they wrote letters in favor of this project. They are both hard working young people that service this community. They are very excited about possibly winning the lottery and being able to stay on Maui to raise their family. They don't see how they will be able to afford a home otherwise.

I think everyone agrees we need affordable housing, but many object when it is proposed for their neighborhood. We can't keep turning down these opportunities and think our local developers will continue to try to include workforce homes into their projects.

Thank you, Bill Valle