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May 9, 2019

Honorable Keani Rawlins-Fernandez Chair, Committee Economic Development and Budget 200 S. High Street Wailuku, Hawai'i 96793

Dear Chair Rawlins-Fernandez :

## SUBJECT: PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO COUNTY PROPERTY TAX AMENDMENTS (EDB-24)

Thank you for your letter of request to the Department of Finance regarding, (EDB-24). This request echoes my thoughts and recommendations that I have been wanting to move forward on for a while. Our administration is already in the process of sending legislation down to the council. This seems only appropriate with the recent passing of Mr. Tavares, to review this code.

We are wanting to collaborate with you and your committee members in trying to amend the code, to address the current RPT situation, its long standing issues, and concerns. I believe a comprehensive overview of the RPT system is long overdue.

My administration looks forward to working with you on this issue.

Mahalo,

Maui County Mayor

MPV:dna cc: Scott Teruya, Department of Finance Michele Yoshimura, Budget Department