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Subject: Maui County Package Support
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To Whom it May Concern:

On behalf of the Hawaii Alcohol Policy Alliance, please accept this letter of support for the Maui County Package regarding, "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE USE OF INTOXICANTS WHILE OPERATING A VEHICLE."

Mahalo for your time, and please contact me if you have any questions.

Richard Collins



October 9th, 2019

President Joey Manahan and Members of the Executive Committee
Hawaii State Association of Counties
% Honolulu City Council
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Subject: Support for "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE USE OF INTOXICANTS
WHILE OPERATING A VEHICLE"

Dear President Manahan and Members of the Executive Committee:

The Hawai'i Alcohol Policy Alliance (Alliance) is a volunteer-based organization of private citizens made up of members from all four counties within the State. Our mission is to advocate for research-based responsible alcohol policies that are in the best interest of the people of Hawai'i, and that reduce alcohol-related harms in our communities. Our vision is a Hawai'i free of alcohol-related injuries, disease, and death.

The Alliance is in support of Maui County's Legislative Package related to "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE USE OF INTOXICANTS WHILE OPERATING A VEHICLE."

The research is clear that reducing the blood alcohol concentration of persons operating vehicles from .08 to .05 is an effective policy for lowering DUI rates and reducing alcohol-related vehicle crashes and fatalities on our roads¹.

In addition to supporting this item in the Maui County Package, the Alliance is committed to leveraging its resources to advocate for the passage of this proposed legislation.

Mahalo for your time and attention to this urgent matter.

¹ Teutsch, S., et al. (July 17, 2018). "Getting to Zero Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities: A Comprehensive Approach to a Persistent Problem." *The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine*. Retrieved from <http://www.nationalacademies.org/hmd/reports/2018/getting-to-zero-alcohol-impaired-driving-fatalities.aspx>



Hawai'i
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Sincerely,



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