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July 18, 2018

Ms. Michele Chouteau McLean, Director  
Department of Planning  
County of Maui  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Ms. McLean:

SUBJECT: **SHORT-TERM RENTAL HOMES ON MOLOKAI** (LU-30)

May I please request your written response to the following:

1. Language in the proposed bill states that existing permits in the East Molokai Community Plan area will remain valid and eligible for renewal and that short-term rental home ("STRH") permit applications that have been deemed complete by your department shall be reviewed according to the standards in effect prior to the enactment of this proposed ordinance, but will not be allowed to renew in the future. In a similar item under this Committee's consideration (LU-54, Visitor Accommodations in the Paia-Haiku Community Plan Area), you mentioned that the Department will continue to process new STRH permit applications in the Paia-Haiku Community Plan area, but will not approve them or schedule them for consideration before their respective Planning Commission while the proposed bill is pending. The bill for that item contained similar language as the proposed bill in regards to permit renewal. Given this similarity, will the Department be processing permit renewals in the same way for properties in East Molokai? How will the Department process pending permit applications while LU-30 is pending before the Committee?
2. Language in the 2001 Molokai Community Plan and the proposed Molokai Community Plan Update currently pending in the Council's Planning Committee recommends against the proliferation of visitor accommodations in the East Molokai region. If no action is taken by the

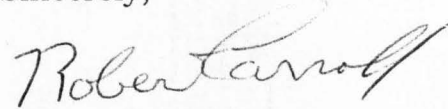
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Council to amend Chapter 19.65, Maui County Code, to cap the number of STRH's on Molokai, how will your Department decide upon STRH permit applications for properties in East, West, and Central Molokai, respectively? Please also explain (1) whether your Department will consider STRH permits on Molokai viable up to the cap of 40; (2) if the Department will consider STRH permits as not capable of being granted, given language in the Community Plan Update and/or current Community Plan; or (3) if the Department will consider these permits in some other manner.

May I please request your response by **August 14, 2018**. To ensure efficient processing, please include the relevant Committee item number in the subject line of your response.

Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Alec Wagner at ext. 7662, or Rayna Yap at ext. 8007).

Sincerely,



ROBERT CARROLL, Chair  
Land Use Committee

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cc: Sybil Lopez, Molokai Planner, Department of Planning