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January 16, 2020

The Honorable Alice L. Lee Council Chair County of Maui Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Lee:

SUBJECT: RESTORATION OF THE MAUI COUNTY SEAL TAPESTRY IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER (PAF 20-002)

May I request the attached proposed resolution, entitled "RESTORATION OF THE MAUI COUNTY SEAL TAPESTRY IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER," be placed on the next Council meeting agenda.

Sincerely,

YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA Councilmember

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Enclosure

COUNTY COMMUNICATION NO. 20-68

Resolution

No. _____

RESTORATION OF THE MAUI COUNTY SEAL TAPESTRY IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

WHEREAS, the Maui County Building was dedicated on August 13, 1972; and

WHEREAS, the budget included for the design, fabrication, and installation of a tapestry weave depicting the concept of the County Seal, to be located directly behind the chair occupied by the Chair of the Council of the County of Maui; and

WHEREAS, the tapestry was designed and woven by Alice Kagawa Parrott, a renowned American fiber artist with roots in Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, the Maui County Seal tapestry is a unique piece of art, made of yarn personally spun by Ms. Parrott, and dyed with plant material that she carefully selected and combined to create the vibrant colors evoking the character of Maui County, as specified and approved by the local government; and

WHEREAS, the late Ms. Parrott's work has been recognized as significant and worthy of an exhibition at the Museum of Arts and Design, and she was named an American Craft Council Fellow; and

WHEREAS, in August 2019, the Maui County Seal tapestry was removed from the Council Chamber and replaced by an industrially produced seal constructed out of wood and foam absent similar historical significance; and

WHEREAS, the Maui County Seal tapestry meets the standards of items belonging to the State Foundation of Culture and Arts Public Art Collection and deserves to be restored to its proper location in the Council Chamber representing all of Maui County; now, therefore,

Resolution No. _____

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

- 1. That the Maui County Seal tapestry be restored to its proper location in the Council Chamber, after completion of necessary cleaning and restoration, where it can be viewed by the people of Maui County; and
- 2. That certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the County Clerk, and Paul Kagawa and Diane Leavitt, Trustees, The Alice Kagawa Parrott Family Trust.

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