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Resolution to create a Commission on Healing Solution for Homelessness

This message is in support of the Resolution to Create a Commission on Homelessness for Maui County. The Resolution is scheduled to be heard on June 17, 2020.

Our organization is located on the main highway in Kaunakakai. We see homeless people daily on the street, and some come into our office to request services. Many are malihini but some are local. Most have either mental health challenges or problems with substance abuse. Moloka'i's social services "safety net" is minimal, and there is no specific government agency asked with helping homeless people on our island.

Creating a Commission to work on addressing the problem is an excellent idea, and that is why we strongly support the proposed Resolution.

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