

## CARE Committee

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Aloha Rayna & Nicole,

Attached is Mayor Victorino's response to the letter request for the following;

SUBJECT: REQUIRING LARGE, NEW HOMES TO BE ZERO NET ENERGY HOMES (CARE-42)

Mahalo, Dar

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September 10, 2021

Kelly Takaya King  
Chair, Climate Action, Resilience, and Environment Committee  
Maui County Council  
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Dear Chair King:

**SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON REVISED  
PROPOSED BILL REQUIRING LARGE, NEW HOMES TO BE ZERO  
NET ENERGY HOMES (CARE-42)**

In alignment with my previous response to your request for comment on the revised proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 16.16B.R401.2, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO ENERGY CODE COMPLIANCE FOR LARGE RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS", I believe this proposed bill to be a positive step towards improving the energy efficiency of our residential housing stock across Maui County, thereby reducing our environmental impacts as they relate to contributions to climate change associated with residential energy use as well as reducing the cost of home ownership as it relates to home energy costs. Targeting new large one- or two-family residential buildings with over 5,000 square feet of conditioned space to be zero net energy homes is a good incremental approach to piloting a future zero net energy pathway for all residential buildings, and eventually commercial buildings as well.

I continue to recommend that, should CARE 42 be adopted, County Council should work closely with our Administration, as well as with our Department of Public Works, Development Services Administration who has a representative who serves on the Hawaii State Building Code Council, to ensure that this bill aligns with the adoption of the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) and attached amendments to the code, in accordance with HRS 107-28(a). In addition, although I do believe that the implementation of high performance building design practices will lead to long term energy savings for all households, the County should monitor to ensure that this bill does not have unintended consequences of negatively impacting

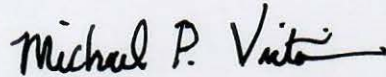
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multigenerational households who pursue the construction of large homes intended to house large local multigenerational families.

In accordance with HRS 107-24, the Hawaii State Building Code Council adopted on December 15, 2020 that no later than December 15, 2022, each county in the State of Hawai'i must amend and adopt the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) and attached amendments to the code, in accordance with HRS 107-28(a). This will require an update to Maui County Code Chapter 16.16B Energy Code. The CARE Committee should take into consideration upcoming Maui County Code updates to Chapter 16.16B as they relate to the adoption of the 2018 IECC in its deliberations regarding CARE-42.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael P. Victorino". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MICHAEL P. VICTORINO, Mayor  
County of Maui