

TRANSCRIPTION

Council of the County of Maui on 2023-03-10 9:00 AM - Regular Meeting

MEMBERS, WE'RE ALMOST READY. >> WILL THE COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 10TH, 2023, PLEASE COME TO ORDER. [ GAVEL ] MEMBERS, IF YOU WOULD LIKE, THE GREETING FOR TODAY IS SALAAM, THAT MEANS "PEACE." SO SALAAM TO ALL. ROLL CALL, MADAM CLERK. >> CHAIR, PROCEEDING WITH ROLL CALL, MEMBERS PARTICIPATING FROM NON-PUBLIC LOTIONS SHOULD STATE WHO IF ANYONE EXCEPT MINORS IS PART OF THEM AS PART OF ROLL CALL. COUNCIL MEMBER PRO TEMPORE TASHA KAMA. >> GOOD MORNING, KAKAHIKA. \r\n\r\nSALAAM. >> VICE-CHAIR YUKI LEI SUGIMURA. >> SALAAM, GOOD MORNING, IT'S A WONDERFUL DAY AND GRATEFUL TO HAVE SO MANY PEOPLE IN OUR CHAMBERS TO BE WITH US FOR OUR MEETING. >> COUNCIL MEMBER TAMARA PALTIN. >> ALOHA KAKAHIKA KAKOU. >> COUNCIL MEMBER GABE JOHNSON? >> ALOHA CHAIR. \r\n\r\nCOUNCIL MEMBERS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS, SALAAM TO ALL OF YOU. THERE ARE NO TESTIFIERS AT THE LANAI DISTRICT OFFICE AND I'M HERE, AND READY TO WORK. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU. >> COUNCIL MEMBER KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> ALOHA KAKAHIKA, CHAIR, MY MOLOKA'I AHINA AT THE MOLOKA'I DISTRICT OFFICE, ALONE AT THE OFFICE AND THERE'S NO TESTIFIERS. MAHALO, CHAIR. \r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. >> COUNCIL MEMBER TOM COOK? >> SALAAM, CHAIR. IT'S A WONDERFUL ALOHA FRIDAY. GLAD TO HAVE EVERYBODY HERE IN THE CHAMBERS TODAY. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. \r\n\r\n>> COUNCIL MEMBER NOHELANI UU-HODGINS. >> GOOD MORNING, CHAIR, SALAAM. >> GOOD MORNING. >> COUNCIL MEMBER SHANE SINENCI? >> ALOHA AND SALAAM FROM THE HANA DISTRICT OFFICE. I'M HERE ALONE, NO TESTIFIERS. >> AND COUNCIL CHAIR ALICE LEE? \r\n\r\n>> ALOHA KAKOU, SALAAM EVERYONE. >> CHIEF OF STAFF, THERE ARE NINE MEMBERS PRESENT, NONE ARE ABSENT. A QUORUM IS PRESENT TO CONDUCT THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL. FOR THE RECORD, I AM COUNTY CLERK MOANA LUTEY AND PRESENT WITH ME IS DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK RICHELLE THOMSON AND WE HAVE OUR LEGISLATIVE DIVISION STAFF HERE, JOYCE MURASHIGE, LAUREN SALDANA AND DELL YOSHIDA AND JOINING THE MEETING FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATION COUNSEL IS SONYA TOMA. >> OPENING REMARKS THIS MORNING WILL BE PROVIDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER SHANE SINENCI. >> MAHALO, CHAIR AND TO RECOGNIZE THE TEAMWORK OF THE WRESTLERS AND ALSO THE TEAMWORK OF THE COUNCIL WITH THE COMMON GOAL OF MAKING MAUI COUNTY THE BEST HOME POSSIBLE. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING TOGETHER, AND CREATING PUBLIC POLICY WITH FUTURE GENERATIONS IN MIND. \r\n\r\nIN THIS PROCESS OF TEAMWORK AND BALANCE, WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE UP TO OUR MANTRA, SO THAT RIGHTEOUSNESS IS OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLE. TODAY'S AGENDA PROVIDES AN EXAMPLE OF THAT. THIS MORNING I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND HONOR OUR COLLECTIVE SUPPORT FOR THE MAYOR'S DIRECTORS AND HIS BOARD APPOINTEES. DURING OUR DELIBERATIONS, WE HEARD A LOT OF OPTIMISM, AND SAW FIRSTHAND THE MAYOR'S COMMITMENT TO OUR COMMUNITY. I WAS PARTICULARLY MOVED TO HEAR HIS COMMITMENT TO THE SMALLER ISOLATED COMMUNITIES LIKE HANA, MOLOKA'I AND LANAI. COMMUNITIES THAT IN THE PAST OFTEN GET OVERLOOKED. CHAIR, AS WE BEGIN OUR BUDGET PROCESS, I HOPE WE CAN CONTINUE THIS FOCUS OF EQUALITY AND EQUITY AND COMMUNITIES RATHER SMALL OR LARGE ARE PART OF THIS TRI-ISLAND COMMUNITY. WE'RE THE NO. \r\n\r\n1 DESTINATION NOT JUST FOR VISITORS, BUT INVESTMENT COMPANY AND FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS LOOKING TO INVEST IN MAUI REAL ESTATE. OUR COUNTY BUDGET IS LARGELY BASED UPON THESE REAL PROPERTY TAXES. PROPERTY VALUATIONS HAVE GROWN SIGNIFICANTLY, RAISING THE NET WORTH OF PROPERTY OWNERS. HOWEVER, HIGH PROPERTY VALUES HAVE ALSO CAUSED SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN RENT. MEMBERS, WE NEED TO RECOGNIZE OUR WORTH AND MAKE SURE WE TAKE CARE OF OUR PEOPLE, OUR RESIDENTS, AND OUR LOCAL FAMILIES FIRST. AS WE ANTICIPATE AN ECONOMIC RECESSION, WE HAVE THE ABILITY NOW TO HOUSE OUR PEOPLE WHILE PROTECTING OUR CULTURAL SITES, AND WE HAVE THE MEANS TO SUPPORT PEOPLE IN NEED OF VITAL SOCIAL SERVICES. CHAIR, I LOOK FORWARD TO VISITING ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES, BOTH LARGE AND SMALL, NEXT MONTH, DURING OUR BUDGET VISITS, AND TO HEAR DIRECTLY FROM OUR RESIDENTS ON WHAT IS MOST NEEDED FOR OUR WORKING FAMILIES AND FOR OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES. \r\n\r\nKAKOU,

MAHALO. >> THANK YOU, MEMBER SINENCI. EVERYONE, PLEASE JOIN ME IN RECITING THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. PLEASE STAND. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. >> BEFORE WE PROCEED WITH TODAY'S AGENDA, MAY I PLEASE REQUEST THAT EVERYONE KEEP THEIR MICROPHONES MUTED, UNLESS IT'S YOUR TIME TO SPEAK. DECORUM SHALL BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES.\r\n\r\nWE WILL BE ENFORCING THE RULES OF DECORUM IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL RULE 6A5, AND ROBERT'S RULES CHAPTER 61. ANY PERSON WHO BEHAVES IN A MANNER THAT DISRUPTS, DISTURBS OR IMPEDES THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF ANY COUNCIL MEETING CAN, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER OR A MAJORITY OF PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS BE EJECTED, OR BANNED FROM COUNCIL MEETINGS, OR IF PARTICIPATING REMOTELY, MUTED OR DROPPED FROM THE MEETING. EXAMPLES OF DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO HECKLING, SHOUTING USE OF PROFANITY, THREATENING OR SLANDEROUS REMARKS MADE TO ANY COUNCIL MEMBER, STAFF, OR GENERAL PUBLIC. ORAL OR WRITTEN TESTIMONY WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING, AND PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL'S DELIBERATION ON EACH SECTION OF THE AGENDA. EACH TESTIFIER WILL BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK FOR UP TO THREE MINUTES ON EACH ITEM. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY TESTIFY IN-PERSON, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OR AT COURTESY TESTIMONY SITES. INDIVIDUALS PARTICIPATING REMOTELY MAY SIGN UP TO TESTIFY IN THE MEETING CHAT. INSTRUCTIONS ARE POSTED IN THE CHAT, ALONG WITH THE LINK TO THE TESTIFIER LOG.\r\n\r\nIF YOU WISH TO TESTIFY ANONYMOUSLY, YOU MAY INDICATE THAT WHEN YOU SIGN UP TO TESTIFY IN THE CHAT, OR WHEN YOU SIGN UP AT THE DESK OUTSIDE THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. YOUR SCREEN NAME WILL MATCH THE NUMBER YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO TESTIFY ANONYMOUSLY. PLEASE DO NOT CHANGE YOUR SCREEN NAME FROM THE ANONYMOUS NUMBER ASSIGNED TO YOU. AS A REMINDER, THE CHAT SHOULD BE USED ONLY TO SIGN UP FOR TESTIMONY, AND NOT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTARY ON THE MEETING. IT WILL BE CONSIDERED A BREACH OF DECORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO USE THE CHAT FOR ANYTHING OTHER THAN TESTIMONY SIGN-UP. AN EXCEPTION TO THE PRACTICE OF TAKING TESTIMONY AT EACH SECTION OF THE AGENDA WITHOUT OBJECTION, JUST FOR THE TWO CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS. I WILL ASK THE CLERK TO CALL UP TESTIMONY ON EACH RESOLUTION INDIVIDUALLY.\r\n\r\nMS. CLERK, PLEASE PROCEED. >> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. INDIVIDUALS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER MAY SIGN UP TO TESTIFY WITH THE STAFF MEMBER LOCATED AT THE DESK IN THE 8TH FLOOR LOBBY; INDIVIDUALS AT COURTESY TESTIMONY SITES MAY SIGN UP WITH STAFF AT THAT SITE. INDIVIDUALS CONNECTING BY PHONE ARE AUTOMATICALLY MUTED TO PREVENT DISRUPTION OF MEETING. WHEN CALLED TO TESTIFY, YOU WILL BE UNMUTED AND ALLOWED TO TESTIFY. INDIVIDUALS CONNECTED BY VIDEOCONFERENCE SHOULD KEEP BOTH THEIR VIDEO AND MICROPHONES OFF, AND SHOULD TURN THEM ONLY WHEN CALLED TO TESTIFY.\r\n\r\nAT THIS TIME, WE'LL BE ACCEPTING TESTIMONY ON RESOLUTION 23-103, EXTENDING CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF LATE TRE' EVANS-DUMARAN. CHAIR, THE FIRST PERSON SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY AND THE OM PERSON SO FAR SIGNED UP IS LUCIENNE DE NAIÉ. MS. DE NAIÉ, GO AHEAD. >> LUCIENNE DE NAIÉ, IT'S YOUR TURN TO TESTIFY ON RESOLUTION 23-103. PLEASE, GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE. >> MADAM CLERK, ANYBODY ELSE? >> MADAM CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE ELSE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY ON RESOLUTION 23-103 -- EXCUSE ME, THERE'S SOMEONE COMING DOWN FROM THE CHAMBER.\r\n\r\n>> ALOHA KAKOU. J.C. LAU FROM KULA. MY CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF TRE' EVANS-DUMARAN. >> ANY OTHER TESTIFIERS? >> WELL, WE'LL GIVE ANOTHER CALL TO LUCIENNE DE NAIÉ. >> CAN YOU FOLKS HEAR ME? >> YES, PLEASE, GO AHEAD.\r\n\r\n>> ALL RIGHT. I JUST WANT TO THANK THE COUNCIL VERY MUCH FOR INTRODUCING THIS RESOLUTION AND HONORING THIS YOUNG MAN WITH HIS WHOLE LIFE AHEAD OF HIM. I HAPPENED TO BE IN THAT IMMEDIATE AREA ON THAT IMMEDIATE DAY WHEN HE WAS SWEEPED DOWN, AND IT WAS TERRIFYING THE CONDITIONS THAT WERE THERE, WATCHING THE WATER RISING FEET HIGH IN A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, EVEN THOUGH IT WAS BARELY RAINING IN KIHEI. AND I MUST SAY THAT OUR SITUATION IS SOMETHING THAT WE CAN FIX, AND WE NEED TO AVOID PUTTING OUR EMERGENCY PERSONNEL AT-RISK OF LIFE AND LIMB. THERE WAS A CONDITION THAT CAUSED THAT PARTICULAR SUBDIVISION AND THAT PARTICULAR SUBDRAIN WHERE FIREMAN DUMARAN WAS SO SADLY ENTRAPPED. THAT WAS A MAN MADE CONDITION. THE WATERS WERE DIVERTED,

AND FLOODED THAT NEIGHBORHOOD. THEY COULD HAVE COME INTO A FLOODPLAIN, BUT THEY DIDN'T, BECAUSE THERE WAS A BARRIER ERECTED THERE, PERHAPS BY THE COUNTY? SO WE REALLY SHOULD NOT ONLY HONOR THIS FALLEN HERO, BUT LOOK CAREFULLY INTO THE SITUATION THAT SURROUNDED THIS TRAGEDY. THANK YOU. >> MEMBERS, ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS FOR THE TESTIFIER? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ANY OTHER TESTIFIERS? >> MADAM CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY. THIS IS THE LAST CALL FOR TESTIMONY ON RESOLUTION 23-103. CHAIR THERE'S NO ONE ELSE TO TESTIFY. >> PARDON ME? >> THERE'S NO ONE ELSE TO TESTIFY. >> MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO CLOSING PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND ACCEPTING WRITTEN TESTIMONY ON RESOLUTION 23-103? >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> SO ORDERED. MS. CLERK. >> CHAIR, YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU RESOLUTION 23-103 EXTENDING CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE TRE' EVANS-DUMARAN. WHEREAS, COUNTY OF MAUI FIREFIGHTER TRE' EVANS-DUMARAN PASSED WAY IN THE LINE OF DUTY ON FEBRUARY 4, 2023 AT THE AGE OF 24; AND WHEREAS, HIS PASSING MARKS A TIME TO REFLECT UPON AND APPRECIATE HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS DURING HIS YOUNG LIFE; AND WHEREAS, TRE' WAS BORN ON MAUI ON APRIL 1ST, 1998, AND GRADUATED IN 2016 FROM KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS HIGH WHERE HE WAS AN ALL-STAR IN BOTH FOOTBALL, AND TRACK AND FIELD; AND WHEREAS, ON DECEMBER 27, 2019 TRE' GRADUATED AS A MEMBER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY AS 35TH RECRUIT CLASS; AND WHEREAS, AS A FIREFIGHTER, TRE' LEARNED TO SHAVE IN THE FIREHOUSE, AND WHEN NOT WORKING, ENJOYED TINKERING ON HELICOPTERS AND CARS, AND MAKING PEOPLE LAUGH WITH JOKES, BUT ACCORDING TO FIRE CHIEF BRADFORD VENTURA, HE DID NOT ENJOY SPIDERS; AND WHEREAS, AS A GENEROUS AND SELFLESS PUBLIC SERVANT, TRE' MADE AN HEROIC EFFORT TO ASSIST RESIDENTS IMPACT BY FLOODING ON THE ISLAND OF MAUI ON JANUARY 27, 2023; AND WHEREAS, TRE' CARED FOR HIS COMMUNITY, AS EXEMPLIFIED BY HIS REGULAR DONATIONS OF BLOOD, CARRYING A 270-PIECE TOOLKIT TO ASSIST ANYONE IN NEED, AND SHOWING A DEEP LOVE FOR HIS FAMILY AND COLLEAGUES; AND WHEREAS, THE HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL, WHICH HAD HONORED TRE' SEVEN YEARS AGO FOR WINNING THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN THE BOYS 110-METER HURDLES WHILE A STUDENT AT KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS HAWAI'I, RECOGNIZED HIS HEROISM BEFORE ITS MEETING ON FEBRUARY 8, 2023; AND WHEREAS, MORGAN BLANN, A NEW JERSEY TEENAGER, REPRESENTING THE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION RUNNING 4 HEROES HONORING TRE'S SACRIFICE BY RUNNING A ONE-MILE TRIBUTE CARRYING A FLAG IN HIS HONOR, ACCOMPANIED BY FIREFIGHTERS OF HER HOMETOWN; AND WHEREAS, -- -- SOME TIMES THE QUALITY OF LIFE WELL-LIVED; AND WHEREAS, SOMETIMES THE QUALITY OF A LIFE WELL-LIVED, RATHER THAN THE QUANTITY OF YEARS IS WHAT MATTERS MOST; AND WHEREAS, THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI HAVE BENEFITED FROM THIS YOUNG MAN'S CONTRIBUTIONS, AND HIS LIFE IS WORTHY OF EMULATION NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI: 1, THAT IT EXTENDS ITS CONDOLENCES AND DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE TRE' EVANS-DUMARAN AND THAT CERTIFIED COPS OF THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO CHELSIE EVANS, TRE'S MOTHER, THE HONORABLE JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR. PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; THE HONORABLE JOSH GREEN, M.D., GOVERNOR, STATE OF HAWAI'I; LEHUA M. VEINCENT PO'O KUMU KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS HAWAI'I; THE HONORABLE HEATHER KIMBALL, CHAIRWOMAN, HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL; ROBERT H. LEE PRESIDENT HAWAI'I FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION IAFF LOCAL 1463 AFL-CIO; KYLE GINOZA, CHAIR, FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION COUNTY OF MAUI; BRADFORD VENTURA FIRE CHIEF, DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, COUNTY OF MAUI; AND THE HONORABLE RICHARD T. BISSEN JR., MAYOR, COUNTY OF MAUI. >> MR. COOK, WOULD YOU CARE TO MAKE THE MOTION. >> CHAIR, I MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-103. >> SECOND. >> OVERWHELMING. >> I'M TRYING TO DECIDE WHO SAID SECOND FIRST? I DON'T KNOW. ALL RIGHT. VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA SECONDED THE MOTION. NOW FOR DISCUSSION, MR. COOK. >> TRE' EVANS-DUMARAN WAS AN EXTRAORDINARY INDIVIDUAL WHO ACCOMPLISHED MANY THINGS IN HIS LIFE. HE WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED BY HIS COMMUNITY FOR BEING KIND-HEARTED YOUNG MAN, WHO WAS DEVOTED TO HELPING OTHERS, DEFINING WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN HONORABLE FIREFIGHTER AND PUBLIC SERVANT. ALTHOUGH WE WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO FULLY REPAY HIM FOR HIS YEARS' OF SERVICE AND HIS SACRIFICE, TODAY WE CAN HONOR TRE' EVANS-DUMARAN, WHO

GAVE HIS LIFE IN THE SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF MAUI. I ASK FOR THE MEMBERS' SUPPORT OF MY MOTION. >> THANK YOU, MR. COOK. VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MEMBER COOK, FOR BRINGING THIS RESOLUTION FORWARD, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNCIL. WE HAVE A CHAMBER FULL OF SUPPORTERS FOR TRE'. I THINK WE ALL WERE GRIEVING WHEN WE HEARD THE SAD NEWS OF HIS PASSING, AND APPRECIATED HIM FOR HIS BRAVERY, AND WHAT HE HAS GIVEN THE COMMUNITY. I HAVE TO SAY THOUGH WITH EVERYTHING THAT WAS MENTIONED IN THE RESOLUTION, WHAT I REALLY LIKED WHAT WAS FIND OUT SOMEONE SO BRAVE AND ALL OF THE THING HE HAS DONE IS AFRAID OF SPIDERS. I COULD RELATE TO THAT. I SPOKE TO THE FAMILY, AND ON MARCH 21ST-23RD, I JUST WANT TO ANNOUNCE THERE'S GOING TO BE A BLOOD DRIVE, AND WHEN WE LOST TRE', HIS MOM PUT OUT A CALL FOR PEOPLE WITH TYPE O BLOOD TO DONATE BLOOD ON HIS BEHALF. I AM TYPE O, BUT I FOUND OUT YOU COULDN'T DONATE HERE ON MAUI.\r\n\r\nSO THIS BLOOD DRIVE IS GOING TO HAPPEN ON MAUI, AND IF I CAN, I WILL BE THERE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I SUPPORT THIS RESOLUTION AND OUR LOVE TO THE FAMILY. >> THANK YOU. PERHAPS AS THE DATE GETS CLOSER YOU CAN REMIND US. THANK YOU. MEMBER JOHNSON.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I RISE IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE RESOLUTION. I MENTIONED IT BEFORE, BUT ANYTHING WE CAN DO FOR THE FAMILY, PLEASE LET US ALL KNOW. THIS COUNCIL, WE SUPPORT YOU GUYS. THE LOVE THE PERSONAL STORIES, BUT OUR FIREFIGHTERS AND OUR FIRST-RESPONDERS, THEY'RE THE ONES ON THE LINE, AND WHEN THIS UNFORTUNATELY HAPPENS, I REALIZE THAT PROTECTION THAT WE ALL HAVE FROM THESE FOLKS, AND I THANK THEM SO MUCH FOR THAT. >> THANK YOU. ANYONE ELSE?\r\n\r\nMEMBER VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. I SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION. TRE' EVANS-DUMARAN WILL FOREVER BE REMEMBERED AS A HERO. HIS WILLINGNESS TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE IS INSPIRING. I CAN ATTEST TO HIS PASSION FOR LIFE, AND STRENGTH TO ENDURE THE TOUGHEST CHALLENGES. MOLOKA'I MOURNS HIS LOSS, AND WILL FOREVER CELEBRATE HIS LEGACY OF ALOHA.\r\n\r\nWE SEND OUR LOVE AND MAHALO TO HIS 'OHANA AND MAHALO FOR BEING BLESSED BY THIS WONDERFUL SOUL. MAHALO. >> THANK YOU. THAT WAS VERY BEAUTIFUL. ANYONE ELSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS? I THINK WHAT THE MEMBERS SHARED CAPTURES EVERYTHING THAT ALL OF US FEEL, SO NOW WE'LL TAKE THE VOTE. ROLL CALL, PLEASE.\r\n\r\nCOUNCIL MEMBER PRO TEMPORE TASHA KAMA? >> YES. >> VICE-CHAIR YUKI LEI SUGIMURA? >> YES. >> COUNCIL MEMBER TAMARA PALTIN? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER GABE JOHNSON?\r\n\r\n>> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER TOM COOK? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER NOHELANI UU-HODGINS? >> YES.\r\n\r\n>> COUNCIL CHAIR ALICE LEE? >> AYE. >> CHAIR, THE VOTE IS UNANIMOUS, THE MOTION PASSES. >> MR. SINENCI. >> SO SORRY. >> COUNCIL MEMBER SHANE SINENCI?\r\n\r\n>> AYE. >> CHAIR, THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY. >> THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME, WE'D LIKE TO CALL THE FAMILY, IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO SAY ANYTHING? YOU DON'T HAVE TO OR MAYBE THE CHIEF? BRAD, ARE YOU THERE?\r\n\r\n>> ALOHA CHAIR, GOOD MORNING EVERYBODY. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE TODAY. THANK YOU, COUNCIL, FOR RECOGNIZING OUR FIREFIGHTER. THANK YOU FOR OUR FAMILY FOR BEING HERE WITH US TODAY. AS EVERYBODY MENTIONED, SELFLESSNESS OF OUR FIREFIGHTERS AND WHAT THEY DO FOR OUR COMMUNITY GOES UNSEEN SOMETIMES, BUT WE AND OUR COMMUNITY SHOULD KNOW THAT WE'RE THERE TO PROTECT EVERY DAY, NO MATTER THE CONDITIONS AND WHAT WE FACE. AND WE'RE HERE TO SUPPORT THE FAMILY, AS WE MOVE THROUGH THESE DIFFICULT TIMES, AND ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND ALLOWING US TO BE PART OF THEIR PROCESS. SO WE CAN GET THROUGH THIS TOGETHER.\r\n\r\nMAHALO TO EVERYBODY, MAHALO TO CHELSIE AND YOU CHAIR, FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY. ALOHA. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WOULD ANYONE ELSE LIKE TO SHARE ANY COMMENTS? IF NOT, THEN WE'LL TAKE A FEW MINUTES, AND ASK THE FAMILY TO COME DOWN TO RECEIVE SOME LEIS. MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO TAKING A FIVE-MINUTE RECESS. >> NO OBJECTIONS.\r\n\r\n>> SO ORDERED RECESS. [ GAVEL ] MEMBERS, WILL THE MARCH 10TH COUNCIL MEETING PLEASE RECONVENE. [ GAVEL ] MAY WE HAVE SILENCE IN THE AUDIENCE PLEASE. THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME, WE'LL BE -- CALLING ON MS. CLERK FOR THE NEXT RESOLUTION. >> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.\r\n\r\nAT THIS TIME, WE'LL BE ACCEPTING TESTIMONY ON RESOLUTION 23-104. CONGRATULATING THE FOUR WRESTLERS FROM THE MAUI INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE FOR WINNING GOLD AT THE 2023 TEXACO/HHSAA STATE WRESTLING

CHAMPIONSHIP. MADAM CHAIR, AT THIS TIME, THERE'S NO ONE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY. THIS IS LAST CALL FOR TESTIMONY ON THIS ITEM. 23-104. OH, I SEE SOMEONE MAKING THEIR WAY DOWN. HANG ON. >> GOOD MORNING. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.\r\n\r\n>> I'M FROM LAHAINA. I WASN'T GOING TO SAY ANYTHING -- USUALLY WE'RE SCRATCHING, FIGHTING AND TRYING TO PROTECT WHATEVER WE CAN FOR THE WEST SIDE AND IT'S THE FIRST TIME I HAVE TO MAKE THE SHIP TO COME HERE FOR SOMETHING WHAT I SEE AS POSITIVE. I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU GUYS FOR RECOGNIZING OUR STATE FINISHERS, BUT I ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE ALL OF THE WRESTLERS OF MAUI, BECAUSE THEY WORK JUST AS HARD AND NOT ALL OF THEM GET TO MAKE IT TO THE TOP. AND IT'S A HARD -- WRESTLING IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE WORST SPORTS YOU CAN EVER PARTICIPATE IN. IT TAKES A LOT OF COMMITMENT BY THE FAMILIES AND THE KIDS, BUT WHAT I WANT TO SAY ALSO WRESTLING, EITHER THOUGH IT'S AN INDIVIDUAL SPORT, YOU DEPEND ON YOUR TEAM TO PUSH YOU AT PRACTICES AND GET YOU WHERE YOU WANT TO BE. THOUGH WE HAVE THESE FOUR STATE CHAMPS AND I DON'T WANT TO TAKE ANYTHING AWAY FROM THEM. I CONGRATULATE THEM.\r\n\r\nJUST TO LET YOU GUYS KNOW IT TOOK ALL OF THE PEOPLE OF MAUI AND THE COMPETITION GALVANIZING THESE KIDS TO GET THEM STRONGER AND WHERE THEY ARE TODAY. THE LAST THING ON BEHALF OF THE LAHAINA KIDS, I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IT'S AN INDIVIDUAL SPORT. THEY GO ON THE MAT AND THEY ARE THERE BY THEMSELVES. BUT IN LAHAINA, WE GOT SOMETHING CALLED THE LAHAINA WAY AND YOU REPRESENT YOUR PLACE AND YOUR FAMILY AND COMMUNITY FIRST AND YOURSELF LAST AND WHAT WE PREACH ALL THE TIME. , AS MUCH AS THESE KIDS GOT TO THE TOP, THEY TOOK THE COMMUNITY AND OVER AROUND THEM TO HELP THEM GET THERE. I WANT TO THANK THE WHOLE ENTIRE COMMUNITY AND THE WHOLE MAUI COMMUNITY FOR HELPING THESE KIDS OUT. THANK YOU, GUYS.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS FOR THE TESTIFIER? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ANYONE ELSE? >> MADAM CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE ELSE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY. THIS IS LAST CALL FOR TESTIMONY. SEEING NONE, MADAM CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE ELSE TO TESTIFY.\r\n\r\n>> MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO CLOSING PUBLIC TESTIMONY, AND ACCEPTING WRITTEN TESTIMONY ON RESOLUTION 23-104? >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> SO ORDERED. MS. CLERK. >> CHAIR, YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU RESOLUTION 23-104, CONGRATULATING THE FOUR WRESTLERS FROM THE MAUI INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE FOR WINNING GOLD AT THE 2023 TEXACO/HHSAA STATE WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP. >> MEMBER TAMARA PALTIN. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nI MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-104. >> SECOND. >> MOVED BY MEMBER TAMARA PALTIN AND SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR YUKI LEI SUGIMURA. MEMBER PALTIN, DISCUSSION. >> THANK YOU. I WOULD LIKE TO READ THE RESOLUTION IN ITS ENTIRETY BEFORE THE DISCUSSION. RESOLUTION 23-104 CONGRATULATING THE FOUR WREST LEVERS FROM THE MAUI INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE FOR WINNING GOLD AT THE 2023 TEXACO/HHSAA STATE WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP. WHEREAS, MIKAH LABUANAN OF KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS MAUI AND NAIOMI KULUKULUALANI-SALES, KEAWE KANE-KEAHI AND KIAH CABALLERO OF LAHAINALUNA HIGH SCHOOL CAPTURED GOLD MEDALS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE WEIGHT CLASSES AT THE 2023 TEXACO/HHSAA STATE WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT ON FEBRUARY 24-25, 2023 AT THE GEORGE Q. CANNON ACTIVITIES CENTER IN LA'IE, HAWAII; AND WHEREAS, THESE OUTSTANDING STUDENT-ATHLETES REPRESENTED MAUI COUNTY AT THE STATE TOURNAMENT AFTER WINNING THE MAUI INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT ON FEBRUARY 18, 2023 AT MAUI HIGH SCHOOL; AND WHEREAS, MIL CHAMPION MIKAH LABUANAN ENTERED THE STATE TOURNAMENT AS THE NO. 1 SEED IN THE BOYS 132-WEIGHT CLASS, AND HAD A 5-4 VICTORY OVER THE NO. 1 SEED IN THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH; AND WHEREAS, AFTER WINNING THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP LAST SEASON, MIKAH LABUANAN HAS BECOME THE FIRST WRESTLER TO WIN TWO CONSECUTIVE STATE TITLES IN THE HISTORY OF KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS MAUI; AND WHEREAS, MIL CHAMPIONSHIP NAIOMI KULUKULUALANI-SALES ENTERED THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP AS THE NO. 1 SEED AND DEFEATED THE NO. 2 SEED BY FALL 1 MINUTE, AND 33 SECONDS INTO THE SECOND PERIOD OF THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH; AND WHEREAS, MIL CHAMPION KEAWE KANE-KEAHI ENTERED THE STATE TOURNAMENT AS THE NO. 1 SEED AND HAD A 3-2 VICTORY OVER THE NEXT TO 2 SEED IN THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH; AND WHEREAS, MIL CHAMPION KIVAH CABALLERO ENTERED THE STATE TOURNAMENT AS THE NO. 2 SEED AND SCORED A 2-POINT TAKE-DOWN IN THE FINAL SECONDS OF THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH TO WIN 5-4 OVER THE NO. 1,

CLAIMING THE GIRLS 122-WEIGHT CLASS TITLE WINS AND WHEREAS, WITH THE SUPPORT GUIDANCE OF THEY ARE DEDICATED COACHES MICHAEL LABUANAN OF KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS MAUI AND ZANE MONTELEONE OF LAHAINALUNA HIGH SCHOOL THESE CHAMPIONS HAVE ATTAINED GLORY AND EXCELLENCE IN WRESTLING THROUGH COMMITMENT AND HARD WORK; AND WHEREAS, THE EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE, DEDICATION, AND SPIRIT OF THESE PHENOMENAL STUDENT-ATHLETES BRING PRIDE AND HONOR TO THEIR 'OHANA, THEIR SCHOOLS AND THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI COL THAT IT CONGRATULATES MIKAH LABUANAN OF KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS OF MAUI AND NAIOMI KULUKULUALANI-SALES AND KEAWE KANE-KEAHI AND KIVAH CABALLERO OF LAHAINALUNA HIGH SCHOOL FOR WINNING GOLD AT THE 2023 TEXACO/HHSAA STATE WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIP AND THAT CERTIFIED COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO MIKAH LABUANAN OF KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS MAUI; NAIOMI KULUKULUALANI; KEAWE KANE-KEAHI AND KIVAH CABALLERO OF LAHAINALUNA HIGH SCHOOL, MICHAEL LABUANAN, WRESTLING COACH, KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS MAUI; ZANE MONTELEONE WRESTLING COACH, LAHAINALUNA HIGH SCHOOL; KALEO PAHUKULA, PRINCIPAL, KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS MAUI, RICHARD CAROSSO, PRINCIPAL, LAHAINALUNA HIGH SCHOOL, REBECCA WINKIE, SUPERINTENDENT, HANA-LAHAINALUNA-LANA'I-MOLOKAI-MAUI COMPLEX AREA, OF EDUCATION IMPLEMENT JOSEPH BALANGITAO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MAUI INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE; CHRISTOPHER CHUN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, HAWAII HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION; AND THE HONORABLE RICHARD T. BISSEN, JR.\r\n\r\nMAYOR, COUNTY OF MAUI. >> DISCUSSION. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. ALL FOUR WRESTLERS WERE PART OF A GROUP THAT TRAVELED TO FARMINGTON, UTAH IN JUNE 2022 TO COMPETE IN THE WESTERN STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS. MIKAH BECAME A TRIPLE CROWN CHAMPION BY WINNING INDIVIDUAL TITLES IN ALL THREE STYLES OF WRESTLING, FOLK, FREESTYLE AND GRECO ROMAN AND KEAWE KANE-KEAHI AND KIVAH CABALLERO PLACED THIRD IN FOLK STYLE AND FOURTH IN FREESTYLE, NAIOMI KULUKULUALANI-SALES SUSTAINED A CONCUSSION AND HAD TO WITHDRAW FROM THE TOURNAMENT. NOW A SOPHOMORE, AND HIS SECOND TIME BEFORE US, STARTED WRESTLING AT 5 YEARS OLD AND HE WAS 21-1 RECORD FOR THE SEASON, FIRST PLACE IN THE 52ND ANNUAL IVY MAUI INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT IN DECEMBER 22, SECOND PLACE IN THE 2022 HAWAII OFFICIALS TOURNAMENT IN DECEMBER, FIRST PLACE IN THE 2022 MIL CHAMPIONSHIPS. HE IS THE FIRST TWO-TIME KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS MAUI CHAMPION AND IS ON-TRACK TO BECOMING MAUI'S FIRST BOY FOUR-TIME CHAMPION AT THE STATES.\r\n\r\nAND HE IS NOW TRAINING FOR THE 2023 WESTERN STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS. THE REST OF THE WRESTLERS ARE SENIORS FROM LAHAINALUNA, KULUKULUALANI-SALES STARTED WRESTLING AT 12 YEARS OLD AND THIS SEASON WITH A 15-1 RECORD AND LAST YEAR'S STATE RUNNER-UP. SHE EARNED SECOND PLACE AT THE 52ND ANNUAL MAUI INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT AND FIRST PLACE AT THE DECEMBER 2022 CHALLENGE, AND TWO-TIME MIL CHAMPIONSHIP AND NOW TRAINING FOR THE 2023 WESTERN STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS AS WELL. AND PLANS TO WRESTLING IN COLLEGE, BUT IS UNDECIDED ON WHICH CAR. KEAWE KANE-KEAHI WAS UNDEFEATED THIS SEASON. LAST YEAR'S STATE RUNNER-UP. HE ALSO PLACED FIRST PLACE IN THE 52ND ANNUAL GRAINER IVY MAUI INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT IN DECEMBER, AS WELL AS FIRST PLACE AT THE 2022 HAWAII OFFICIALS TOURNAMENT IN DECEMBER.\r\n\r\nHE IS A TWO-TIME MIL CHAMPION, STANDOUT FOOTBALL PLAYER FOR THE LAHAINALUNA HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM, AND PLANS TO PLAY FOOTBALL IN COLLEGE, BUT IS UNDECIDED ON WHICH SCHOOL, BUT LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, WE HAVE KIVAH CABALLERO, WHO STARTED WRESTLING AT AGE 5 WITH A 0-3 RECORD FOR THIS SEASON, PLACED FIRST IN THE 52ND GRAINGER IVY MAI INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT IN DECEMBER 2022, AND SECOND PLACE AT THE DECEMBER 2022 CHALLENGE, THIRD PLACE AT THE 2022 HAWAII OFFICIALS TOURNAMENT IN DECEMBER, AND IS A THREE-TIME MIL CHAMPION, WHO IS NOW TRAINING FOR THE 2023 WESTERN STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS, AND PLANS TO WRESTLE IN COLLEGE AS WELL , BUT IS UNDECIDED ON WHICH SCHOOL. THANK YOU, CHAIR. I HUMBLE ASK THE MEMBERS' SUPPORT OF THIS RESO. >> MY MORE DISCUSSION, MEMBERS? VICE-CHAIR YUKI LEI SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU. EXCEPTIONAL, SUPER STARS.\r\n\r\nEXCELLING IN ALL OF THE ACTIVITIES AND SPORTS A I BET YOU ALL THEY ARE SUPER STUDENTS SCHOLASTICALLY AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SUPPORTING THIS RESOLUTION. AND IN THE TYPICAL LAHAINA WAY; RIGHT? THEY TRAIN THEIR

KIDS. THEY MAKE THEM THINK OF THE COMMUNITY FIRST AND I BET YOU ALL OF THE OTHER SCHOOLS PROBABLY TRAIN THEIR ATHLETES THE SAME WAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE SPEAKER TO SHOW US THE KIND OF SPIRIT IT TAKES TO BRING THESE KIND OF CHILDREN FORWARD TO EXCEL IN THE THINGS THAT THEY DO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> YES, WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THESE OUTSTANDING YOUTH.\r\n\r\nI AM A LITTLE CURIOUS HOWEVER WHEN YOU GO TO NORTH CAROLINA, HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE FOR THEM TO PRONOUNCE YOUR NAMES? [LAUGHTER ] JUST WONDERING. ROLL CALL, MS. CLERK. >> COUNCIL MEMBER PRO TEMPORE TASHA KAMA? >> YES. >> VICE-CHAIR YUKI LEI SUGIMURA?\r\n\r\n>> YES. >> COUNCIL MEMBER TAMARA PALTIN? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER GABE JOHNSON >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ? >> EXCUSED. >> COUNCIL MEMBER TOM COOK?\r\n\r\n>> YES. >> COUNCIL MEMBER NOHELANI UU-HODGINS >> YES. >> COUNCIL MEMBER SHANE SINENCI? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL CHAIR ALICE LEE? >> AYE. >> CHAIR, YOU HAVE EIGHT AYES, ONE EXCUSED.\r\n\r\nMOTION CARRIES. >> >> AT THIS TIME, WE WOULD LIKE TO ASK ANYONE WITH THE TEAM OR TEAM MEMBERS TO COME UP AND SAY A FEW WORDS. DON'T BE SHY. AND WHY YOU DO COME UP TO THE MICROPHONE, COULD YOU PLEASE SAY YOUR NAME AND WHERE YOU'RE FROM, WHAT SCHOOL. >> ALOHA EVERYONE. MY NAME IS RYAN AND I'M FROM LAHAINA. >> HI.\r\n\r\nMY NAME IS KIVAH CABALLERO, FROM LAHAINA. >> ALOHA. MY NAME IS KEAWE, FROM LAHAINA. >> HI. MY NAME IS NAIOMI KULUKULUALANI-SALES AND I'M FROM LAHAINA. GOOD MORNING EVERYBODY, IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE TO REPRESENT LAHAINALUNA WRESTLING TEAM AS WE CELEBRATE THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE YOUNG ATHLETES THAT YOU SEE BEHIND ME, AS WELL AS MIKAH, AND HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS THIS YEAR AT THE STATE TOURNAMENT. I HAD THE PLEASURE OF WITNESSING THIS YOUNG MAN AND THESE YOUNG WOMEN GROW UP INTO THE ADULTS THAT THEY ARE TODAY.\r\n\r\nTHEY ALL FACED INDIVIDUAL OBSTACLES THIS YEAR THAT THEY OVERCAME TOO COME OUT ON TOP AND WE AS A STAFF COULD NOT BE PROUDER. WE HAVE ALWAYS BUILDING WE'RE NOT JUST BUILDING WRESTLERS, BUT RESPECTABLE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN OF OUR COMMUNITY AND THIS GROUP HAS GONE ABOVE AND BEYOND OUR EXPECTATIONS. WRESTLING IS THE TOUGHEST SPORT IN THE WORLD. IF YOU CAN BE SUCCESSFUL IN WRESTLING, YOU CAN BE SUCCESSFUL IN ANYTHING, BUT BEING SUCCESSFUL TO ME ISN'T ABOUT HOW MANY MATCHES THAT YOU WIN, BUT INSTEAD, WHAT YOU LEARN FROM YOUR JOURNEY THAT HARD WORK, SPORTSMAN SHIP, LOYALTY, RESPECT, HUMILITY AND INTEGRITY ARE ALL THINGS TO WORK TOWARDS AND NOT JUST THINGS THAT BUILD GOOD WRESTLERS, BUT ALSO WHAT BUILDS GOOD HUMANS, WHICH IS SOMETHING THAT THIS WORLD NEEDS A LITTLE MORE OF. IN CLOSING I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL AGAIN TO HAVE US HERE TO CELEBRATE THESE WRESTLERS AND WISH THEM THE BEST IN THEIR FUTURE ENDEAVORS, WHEREVER THE ROAD MIGHT LEAD. MAHALO AND ALOHA. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nANYONE ELSE WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS? >> I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR HAVING US HERE, RECOGNIZING US, AND OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND I JUST WANT TO RECOGNIZE MY COACHES FOR GETTING ME TO MY GOAL, AND MY FAMILY FOR SUPPORTING ME. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. >> THE SAME THING, I JUST WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY WHO SUPPORTED US FROM OUR FAMILIES, FRIENDS, EVERYBODY, THE TOWN, THE WHOLE TOWN WAS BEHIND US. AND THAT IS ALL I GOT TO SAY. >> OH, MY GOSH, I'M NERVOUS.\r\n\r\nHE SAID I ALWAYS TALK IN PRACTICE. I'M SO QUIET. THANK YOU FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY. I'M SO GRATEFUL TO BE HERE. THAT'S IT. >> THANK YOU. [LAUGHTER ] >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND GOOD LUCK.\r\n\r\n[ APPLAUSE ] >> ALOHA COUNCIL. MY NAME IS MICHAEL LABUANAN, I'M THE HEAD WRESTLING COACH FOR KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS. IT'S BEEN A LONG ROAD. SEEING YOU LAST YEAR AND HOPE TO SEE YOU NEXT YEAR. JUST KIDDING. I'M HIS COACH, AS WELL AS HIS FATHER, AND IT DOES TAKE A LOT OF WORK, LIKE LAHAINA, I BELIEVE WHAT KAI SAID, IT'S TRUE. LAHAINA IS LIKE THAT; WE STRIVE TO BE LIKE THAT AS WELL, BUT THEIR THEY'RE SOLID.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. >> ALOHA, FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BEST SUPPORT SYSTEM I COULD EVER ASK FOR, MY COACHES, MY 'OHANA AND NONE OF THIS IS POSSIBLE WITHOUT YOU GUYS, ALL OF YOU PUSHING ME TO BEST PERSON, ATHLETE, WRESTLER AND SON AND FRIEND I CAN POSSIBLE BY BE EVERY SINGLE DAY AND THIS FOR RECOGNIZING ALL OF US. MAHALO. [ APPLAUSE ]. >> THANK YOU. MEMBERS, ANY QUESTIONS? MEMBERS, I HAVE

TO SHARE THIS WITH YOU, MIKAH'S FATHER, USED TO BE MY TRAINER, AND THEN AFTER A FEW WEEKS, HE GAVE UP. [LAUGHTER] HE SAID, OH, PO'O -- MS. CLERK. >> DID YOU WANT TO TAKE A BREAK FOR PHOTOGRAPHS? >> I SEE DID MS. RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ WANT TO SAY SOMETHING? I HEARD CHAIR? OH, OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WITH THE ATHLETES; RIGHT? AND THE ATHLETES AND THEIR COACHES. WHO DO YOU WANT TO BE IN THE PICTURE? AND THE COACHES, OKAY. MS. CLERK. MADAM CHAIR, PROCEEDING WITH TESTIMONY ON ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA. THE FIRST TESTIFIER TO SIGN UP IS MALIA MCNABB, TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-105, FOLLOWED BY ALAN MORENO. MS. MCNABB. >> COULD YOU CALL THEM UP AGAIN? OH, SHE'S HERE. >> MY NAME IS MALIA MCNABB AND I WORK AT THE HOSPITAL. I AM A CARDIAC MONITOR TECH FOR 12 YEARS AND BEFORE THAT I WAS A NURSE'S AIDE FOR TEN YEARS. SO I HAVE BEEN WORKING THERE FOR OVER 22 YEARS. AS A CARDIAC MONITOR TECH, OUR JOB IS TO WATCH OUR PATIENTS' HEART RHYTHM, MAKE SURE THAT ANYTHING THAT IS UNUSUAL FOR THE PATIENT, WE TELL OUR NURSES WHAT'S GOING ON. AND WE ARE WATCHING THREE UNITS HALE'AKALA SOUTH AND EAST IS ON THE 5TH FLOOR AND THEY JUST ADDED THE WAILUKU TOWER ICU, WHICH IS CALLED PCU, THE WAILUKU PCU UNIT. SO WE'RE WATCHING THREE UNITS, AND SOMETIMES THE NUMBER OF PATIENTS CAN GO UP TO THE 50S THAT WE HAVE TO WATCH. MOST OF THE TIME, THERE'S ONLY ONE CARDIAC MONITOR TECH THAT WATCHES, BECAUSE WE'RE SO SHORT STAFFED. WHAT WE DO, WE TRY TO HELP OUT AND STAY A COUPLE OF HOURS TO HELP THE INCOMING TECH JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERY PATIENT IS BEING WATCHED. AFTER WE DID OUR STRIKE, MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM ARE PUTTING TRAVELER RNS IN THERE, AND THERE'S ALWAYS TWO RNS, AND THESE RNS ARE MAKING TRIPLE THE PAY THAT WE'RE GETTING. ALL WE WANTED BASICALLY IS FAIR WAGES. LIVABLE CONDITIONS, AND SAFE STAFFING FOR US AND OUR PATIENTS. BUT MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM TRIES TO IGNORE US. THEY PUSH US TO DO THIS STRIKE. TO OUR COMMUNITY, WE LOVE YOU. WE DON'T WANT TO INCONVENIENCE YOU, BUT IT'S BEEN OVER NINE MONTHS THAT WE HAVE BEEN WAITING CONTRACT TO BE SIGNED. AND THEY WON'T GIVE US THE STUFF THAT WE NEED, LIVABLE WAGES, LIVABLE CONDITIONS, FAIR WAGES AND SAFE STAFFING FOR EVERYBODY. THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBERS, FOR HEARING US AND BRINGING US INTO THIS COUNCIL TO HEAR OUR CRY. THANK YOU EVERYONE. GOOD MORNING. >> THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS, MEMBERS? IF NOT, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT TESTIFIER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS ALAN MORENO, TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-105. FOLLOWED BY LAURA ZURICH ON 23-105. >> GOOD MORNING, COUNCIL AND THANKS FOR YOUR TIME. MY NAME IS ALAN MORENO, I'M AN INTENSIVE CARE UNIT NURSE AIDE. I HAVE BEEN SERVING THE MAUI COMMUNITY WITH FERVOR FOR NEARLY FIVE YEARS. LIKE MANY OTHERS HERE IN THIS CAMERA COURTROOM AND THOSE PICKETING PUTTING OWE LIVES ON THE LINE AGAIN FOR THIS COMMUNITY. THROUGH THE PANDEMIC THAT THE WORLD NEVER SEEN BEFORE, WE SHOWED UP DAY IN AND DAY OUT, SANITIZING ROOMS AND PREPARING LIFE-SAVING MEDICATION AND SETTING UP EQUIPMENT AND INSTRUMENTS, ADJUSTING VENTILATOR SETTINGS, FOR PEOPLE GASPING FOR OXYGEN AS THEY FOUGHT FOR THEIR LIVES. BIOMEDICAL EQUIPMENT NEEDED TO BE CALIBRATED AND MAINTAINED DUE TO SOARING HIGH USE AND PATIENTS, LINENS TO BE SANITIZED PROPERLY TO BE USED AND COMFORTABLY ACCOMMODATING FOR PATIENTS AND HOSPITAL MEALS AND EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN MAUI'S COMMUNITY SAFETY AND EACH AND EVERY ONE OF IN ROOM, AS WELL AS FIRST-RESPONDERS. EACH AND EVERY OCCUPATION REPRESENTED BY THE UNITED PUBLIC WORKERS UNION IS A VITAL THREAD IT TO THE FABRIC OF MAUI'S 'OHANA AND IT'S SURPRISING TO BE HERE, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF MY CO-WORKERS. I WISH I TO REPORT TO BE WEE BEING COMPENSATED BARELY OR OUR DILIGENT AND VALIANT EFFORT, BUT WE'RE ASKED TO SERVE THIS COMMUNITY UNDERSTAFFED, UNDERPAID AND UNDERAPPRECIATED. FORGIVE ME IF I BUTCHER THIS, BUT I THOUGHT IT WAS VERY IMPORTANT, AND WHEN I READ IT, IT STUCK OUT TO ME AND I WANTED TO SAY IT. I BELIEVE THAT IS THE RIGHTEOUSNESS -- THE LIFE OF THE LAND IS PERPETUATED IN RIGHTEOUSNESS AND I TRULY BELIEVE THAT. YOU KNOW, THANK YOU FOR HEARING US OUT AND FOR GIVING US YOUR TIME. >> THANK YOU. QUESTIONS, MEMBERS? MEMBER KAMA HAS A QUESTION. >> THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE, MR. MORENA. YOU ARE AN INTENSIVE CARE TECH. >> YES, MA'AM. >> AND THE PREVIOUS SPEAKER WAS A CARDIAC MONITOR TECH. >> YES. >> SO THE ISSUE YOU BRING FORTH IS ABOUT YOU FOLKS



HAVING TO WORK WITH MACHINES THAT YOU NEED TO PUT YOUR PATIENTS UPON, AND THAT'S AREA -- I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT IF YOU WORK WITH PATIENTS DIRECTLY?

>> SORRY I WAS GIVING EVERY JOB DESCRIPTION REPRESENTED HERE BY THE UPW. AND EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US PLAY A DIFFERENT ROLE. >> RIGHT. >> AS A NURSE AIDE, ME IN ICU, HELPING SET UP LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT; SHE IS IN A DIFFERENT DEPARTMENT THAT ACTUALLY WATCHES HEART RHYTHMS OF PATIENTS THROUGHOUT THE HOSPITAL, AND THE REASON WE CAME HERE IS TO LET YOU KNOW WITH ALL THE ADVERSITY WE'RE DEALING WITH, WE CONTINUE TO DO OUR JOB, BUT WE ALSO WANT TO BE PAID FAIRLY. HAVE MORE STAFF, HAVE MORE EDUCATION, SO PEOPLE CAN MOVE UP, AND TO RETAIN PEOPLE, BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN THERE FOR DECADES AND WORKED, AND WE WANT TO CONTINUE DOING OUR JOBS AND SERVING THE COMMUNITY SAFELY. THAT IS WHY WE'RE HERE. >> SO CHAIR, IF I MAY, ONE LAST QUESTION FOR MR. MORENO. MR. MORENO, YOU FOLKS ARE AT KAISER, OR ARE YOU AT THE HOSPITAL? >> I BELIEVE THE HOSPITAL IS AN AFFILIATE OF KAISER PERMANENTE. >> ONE MORE. SO WORKING IN MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM, OTHER TECHS WORKING IN OTHER FACILITIES OR CLINICS, SITUATIONS LIKE THAT, BUT PROBABLY NOT REPRESENT BY UPW? >> MAUI MEMORIAL, KULA HOSPITAL AND LANAI HOSPITAL AND MAUI OUT-PATIENT CLINIC ARE ALL REPRESENTED BY UPW AND THEY ARE IN EVERY DEPARTMENT. TECHS ARE IN EVERY DEPARTMENT, AND IT'S JUST AN UMBRELLA TO ALL THE HEALTH CARE WORKERS ESSENTIALLY. >> OKAY. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, MEMBERS FOR YOUR INDULGENCE. >> >> YOUR LAST ONE, THREE TIMES. MEMBER COOK.

>> CHAIR, WITH YOUR PERMISSION, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. IT SOUNDS LIKE ALL OF YOU ARE THE DEFINITION OF "ESSENTIAL WORKERS." IS IT TRUE WHAT I HEARD THAT BASICALLY YOU DID NOT GET HAZARD PAY THROUGH THE PANDEMIC? >> WE DID NOT. NEVER DURING THE PANDEMIC WERE WE GIVEN HAZARD PAY. WE HEARD ABOUT OTHER COUNTY WORKERS GETTING HAZARD PAY, THAT WERE NOWHERE NEAR THE FRONT LINES. WE WEREN'T OFFERED ANYTHING LIKE THAT FOR ANY OF THE PAST TWO YEARS. A LOT OF US HAVEN'T HAD A RAISE IN OVER A YEAR-AND-A-HALF. SO WHAT THEY'RE ASKING US TO TAKE IS KEEPING US AT POVERTY-LEVEL. >> MR. COOK. >> JUST A FOLLOW-UP COMMENT. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU WHO ARE CONSISTENTLY SERVING THE COMMUNITY UNDER BEING IS SO UNAPPRECIATED AND THAT I HOPE PEOPLE HEAR THIS AND THAT NEGOTIATIONS WILL TURN MORE POSITIVE TO REWARD AND TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK THAT YOU DO. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU, SIR. APPRECIATE YOU. >> MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. MR. MORENO, THANK YOU FOR COMING. I WANT TO GIVE A RANGE. CAN I GIVE US A RANGE OF HOURLY WAGES OR IF YOU WANT TO TELL YOU HOW MUCH YOU ARE MAKING? YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL US, BUT I UNDERSTAND NURSES' ADES ARE ONE OF THE LOWEST PAID POSITIONS IN OUR HOSPITALS AND THEY ARE WITH THE PATIENT. >> MEMBER JOHNSON, COULD YOU MOVE THE MICROPHONE CLOSER TO YOU. >> IN 2018, I STARTED MAKING \$16.32 WHEN I MOVED HERE FROM CALIFORNIA. I LOST 50% OF MY WAGE, I CAME FROM KAISER FROM SANTA CLARA AND AT THE PRESENT TIME, I DON'T MAKE OVER \$21 AN HOUR. A LOT OF US IN THE UPW DON'T GET OUT OF THE 20S GIVEN THE PERCENTAGES OF INCREASE, OR WHATEVER PACKAGE THEY'RE DEALING WITH. THERE'S ON ONE SPECIFIC GROUP THAT MAKES ABOVE THAT, RESPIRATORY THERAPISTS, BECAUSE THAT IS HIGH-LEVEL EDUCATION AND WE UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT THEY'RE ALSO TRYING TO PLAY THAT ON SAYING WE'RE NOT EDUCATED, BUT THAT IS FALSE, BECAUSE I'M A CERTIFIED EMT IN CALIFORNIA AND PHARMACY TECHNICIANS THAT GO TO SCHOOL FOR THEIR JOBS AND NURSES HAVE TO GO THROUGH CERTIFICATION AND SCHOOLING PROCESS AND ABOVE THAT, ALL THE EXPERIENCE THAT EVERYONE HAS, YOU KNOW? A LOT OF US CAN ASSESS PATIENTS, AND WE DO OUR VERY BEST TO BE THE HELPING HAND TO NURSES, BECAUSE WE CAN TELL THEM WHEN SOMETHING IS GOING ON. AS MALIA SAID, THEY REPORT TO NURSES EPISODES FOR PATIENTS. WE'RE ALL EYES AND EARS OF THE HOSPITAL AND TETHERED TOGETHER. THE HOSPITAL DOESN'T WORK AS A WHOLE WITHOUT ONE OF US. >> SO THE COST OF LIVING HERE IS MORE THAN CALIFORNIA AND YOU ARE MAKING, DID YOU SAY HALF, AS MUCH AS YOU WERE IN CALIFORNIA? >> HALF AS MUCH. SO I HAVE TO WORK TWICE AS MANY HOURS. SORRY ABOUT THAT, SIR. >> IS THIS YOUR ONLY JOB? >> NO, I WORK AT THREE OTHER JOBS AS WELL. I DO INSTACART, DOOR DASH AND DO DELIVERY SERVICE AFTER HI 40 HOURS OF WORK IN THE ICU. >> THOSE JOBS, THOSE OTHER JOBS ARE THEY COMPARABLE TO

WHAT YOU ARE MAKING,? >> IF I DO THOSE FOR 40 HOURS, I WOULD PROBABLY MAKE MORE THAN I DID AT THE HOSPITAL. >> THEY WILL PAY YOU MORE TO DELIVER FOOD THAN TO WORK AT THE HOSPITAL? >> PER HOUR, YES.\r\n\r\n>> THAT'S TERRIBLE. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THANK YOU, CHAIR >> MEMBERS, ANOTHER QUESTION. VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I SAW YOU COMING UP IN THE ELEVATOR.\r\n\r\nTHANK FOR YOUR DEDICATION. I WAS WONDERING BESIDES THE PAY THAT YOU SHARED, YOU GET CO-BENEFITS. >> YES. THAT IS THE GOOD THING. I DO LOVE WHAT I DO, NO MATTER THE PRICETAG, BUT IT GETS TO A POINT I'M TRYING TO -- YOU KNOW, PROVIDE FOR MY DAUGHTER. I HAVE AN 11-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER. AND THERE IS BENEFITS FOR WORKING FOR THE HOSPITAL HEALTH CARE FOR ME AND MY CHILD IS HUGE AND PROBABLY WHY A LOT OF PEOPLE WORK IN THE HOSPITAL.\r\n\r\nTO CONTINUE DOING WHAT I'M DOING, BUT I WANT TO BE COMPENSATED FAIRLY, AND HOPEFULLY MOVE UP IN MY EDUCATION, AND CONTINUE TO SERVE MY COMMUNITY. >> THANK YOU FOR LOVING YOUR JOB AND LOVING OUR COMMUNITY. >> THANK YOU. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS, MEMBERS? IF NOT, THANK YOU. NEXT TESTIFIER, PLEASE. >> MADAM CHAIR, NEXT TESTIFIER IS LORA ZURICH TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-105. >> THANK YOU FOR HAVING US.\r\n\r\nI'M A RESPIRATORY THERAPIST AT THE HOSPITAL AND TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA WHAT A RESPIRATORY THERAPIST DOES AND TO READ MY STATEMENT, SO I DON'T GET OFF IN THE WEEDS. TAKES CARE OF PEOPLE LIFE SUPPORT EQUIPMENT. WHEN PEOPLE CAN NO LONGER BREATHE ON THEIR OWN, AND THEY NEED ASSISTANCE, WE PUT THEM ON THE MACHINE THAT ASSISTS THEM. SO THESE ARE ACUTE PATIENTS THAT ARE IN OUR INTENSIVE CARE UNIT AND MY PROFESSION, RESPIRATORY THERAPIST MANAGES THE VENTILATORS, THE MACHINES THAT ARE ASSISTING THE PATIENTS TO BREATHE. WE ASSIST PHYSICIANS AND PROCEDURES, WE ARE VERY PREVALENT IN THE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT AND IN THE ER, RESPONDING TO ALL MEDICAL EMERGENCIES, WHETHER IT'S CODE, CARDIAC ARREST, TRAUMA COMING INTO ER OR RAPID RESPONSE ON THE FLOOR THAT SOMEONE IS DETERIORATING VERY QUICKLY. WE GO IN AND ASSESS THE PATIENT, AND THAT IS WHEN OUR SKILLS GO INTO ACTION. SO JUST TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF WHAT AND I WILL READ MY TESTIMONY.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. AT FIRST OFF I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW OUR STRONG SUPPORT FOR THIS RESOLUTION AND TO URGE MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM TO RESOLVE THE ONGOING LABOR DISPUTE WITH UPW. KAISER PERMANENTE'S ACTIONS OF NOT BARGAINING IN GOOD FAITH HAS PUT ITS EMPLOYEES AND THE MAUI COUNTY COMMUNITY AT-RISK. I HAVE BEEN A RESPIRATORY THERAPIST FOR YEARS AND WORKS IN EVERY ASPECT OF THE HEALTH CARE CONTINUUM AND WORKING AT MAUI MEMORIAL. I'M A FORMER STATE EMPLOYEE, AND WENT THROUGH THE MERGE WITH KAISER PERMANENTE. I WORK TIRELESSLY ALONG WITH MY UPW COLLEAGUES THROUGH THE COVID PANDEMIC UNDER EXTREMELY DIFFICULT CONDITIONS. OUR DEPARTMENT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING PATIENTS ON VENTILATORS AS WELL AS RESPONDING TO ALL MEDICAL EMERGENCIES WITHIN THE HOSPITAL.\r\n\r\nDURING COVID, OUR DEPARTMENT EXPERIENCED BARRIERS TO PROPER PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT WHILE CARRYING OUT OUR DUTIES AND TAKE CARE OF COVID PATIENTS. IN THE BEGINNING OF THE PANDEMIC RESPIRATORY THERAPISTS WERE ONLY OFFERED N-95 EVERY FIVE DAYS WHILE WORKING IN THE COVID UNITS, WHILE NURSES WERE ISSUED N-95S DAILY. THIS DEMONSTRATES HOW ADMINISTRATORS HAD VERY LITTLE CONCEPT OF WHAT A RESPIRATORY THERAPIST DOES. IT CREATED A GREAT DEAL OF STRESS FOR OUR DEPARTMENT AND UNNECESSARY TENSION WITH OUR NURSING MANAGERS, WHO WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR ENFORCING THIS RATION OF N-95 AND SAW ATTRITION. >> COULD YOU CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY? >> WHAT? >> COULD YOU CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY?\r\n\r\n>> SURE. OUR CONTRACT EXPIRED 253 DAYS AGO AND KAISER HAS MORE THAN ENOUGH -- HAS MORE THAN ENOUGH TIME TO RESOLVE THIS DISPUTE. WE HAVE HEARD THERE'S PATIENT SAFETY ISSUES, SUCH AS FLOORS NOT BEING CLEANED PROPERLY, AND A NURSE FELL AND HURT HERSELF AND NOW IS HOME AND UNABLE TO WORK. DOCTORS ARE PERFORMING THE TASKS OF RESPIRATORY THERAPISTS RIGHT NOW. SO WE KNOW THAT PROCEDURES ARE NOT -- ARE BEING POSTPONED IN OR AND OR IS NOT UP AND RUNNING THE WAY IT SHOULD BE. THE HOSPITAL CONTINUES TO REPORT TO THE MEDIA ITS BUSINESS AS USUAL. SO BASICALLY THAT'S WHAT I HAVE TO SAY.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MEMBER KAMA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. SO MY QUESTION IS OUR FIRST TESTIFIER SAID SHE WAS A CARDIAC TECH,

AND OUR SECOND TESTIFIER SAID HE WAS AN INTENSIVE CARE UNIT TECH. SO HOW MANY TECHS RESPIRATORY THERAPIST TECHS ARE WHERE YOU ARE AT? I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW MANY TECHS WE'RE TALKING ABOUT? \r\n\r\nAND HOW MANY ARE NEEDED FOR EVERY SHIFT THAT YOU FOLKS HAVE TO COVER WHATEVER IT IS THAT YOU ALL NEED TO? >> SURE. SO THE UPW AND THE HOSPITAL MY UNDERSTANDING WE'RE ABOUT 500 EMPLOYEES AND RESPIRATORY THERAPISTS, ABOUT 20. AND WE WORK PROBABLY ANYWHERE FROM 3-5 THERAPISTS ON A DAY SHIFT AND ANYWHERE FROM 3-5 ON THE NIGHTSHIFT. AND WE COVER THE ENTIRE HOSPITAL. THE ER, THE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT, AND ALL OF THE FLOORS. >> SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nI WILL COME BACK. THANK YOU. >> OTHER QUESTIONS? MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. DURING -- THE PREVIOUS TESTIFIER WAS SAYING THEY ARE GETTING ADDITIONAL WINGS UNDER THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES. YOU GUYS DO THE WHOLE HOSPITAL; RIGHT?\r\n\r\nARE YOU GETTING MORE AND MORE PATIENTS? >> WELL, THE HOSPITAL HAS BEEN LIKE AT 120% CAPACITY FOR QUITE SOME TIME MOW. AND OUR RESPONSIBILITY IS IT TAKE CARE OF ANYBODY WITH RESPIRATORY NEEDS AND RESPIRATORY-SPECIFIC ORDERS. SO OUR WORKLOAD AS INCREASED AS THE CONSENSUS OF THE HOSPITAL HAS INCREASED. ALSO STATISTICALLY YOU CAN SEE THE ACUITY OF THE PATIENTS EVEN BEFORE COVID, JUST MY EIGHT YEARS WORKING HERE, THE ACUITY OF THE PATIENTS. PATIENTS ARE SICKER THAN THEY USED TO BE, TOO. SO NOT ONLY IS OUR CONSENSUS OF THE NUMBER OF PATIENTS GOING UP CONSISTENTLY, THEY'RE SICKER.\r\n\r\nSO SICKER PATIENTS REQUIRE OUR SERVICES. SO OUR DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN VERY, VERY, VERY BUSY. >> THAT'S IS WHERE I WAS HEADED WITH THAT QUESTION. THANKS FOR YOUR RESPONSE. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? MEMBER KAMA.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. SO THANK YOU, MS. ZURICH. MY QUESTION, THE HOSPITAL IS WHERE YOU'RE AT; RIGHT? AT THE HOSPITAL. SO HOW MANY -- DO YOU WORK IN -- DO YOU EVER GET TO WORK IN THE DIALYSIS FACILITY AS A THERAPIST? >> WE HAVE A DIALYSIS UNIT WITHIN THE HOSPITAL, BUT WE ALSO HAVE A CLINIC THAT IS FOR DIALYSIS.\r\n\r\nWE ONLY EVER SEE DIALYSIS PATIENTS IF THEY HAVE A RESPIRATORY NEED. >> OKAY. >> WHICH DOES HAPPEN ON OCCASION. >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> NO OTHER QUESTIONS. THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nMS. CLERK. >> CHAIR, NEXT TESTIFIER IS HEIDI RUST TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-105, FOLLOWED BY SCOTT HOPKINS. >> GOOD MORNING. >> GOOD MORNING. >> MY NAME IS HEIDI AND I WORK IN THE OR DEPARTMENT. I CAME TO THE ISLAND IN 2020 FROM THE MAINLAND IN CALIFORNIA.\r\n\r\nI STARTED HERE AT MAUI MEMORIAL AS AN ANESTHESIA TECHNICIAN, STARTING IN AUGUST OF 2020. SO I CAME HERE AROUND THE COVID TIMES, AND ON THE MAINLAND I WAS PAID FOR ANESTHESIA TECH \$30 AN HOUR AT MAUI HEALTH, I GOT TO \$23.80, WHICH IS A LARGE PAY DECREASE. CAME BACK TO THE ISLAND TO BE CLOSER TO FAMILY WHICH IS WHY I TOOK IT, BUT IT IS VERY -- THE STARTING WAGES REALLY NEED TO BE RAISED. NOW I'M SURGICAL TECH IN THE SURGICAL TECH PROGRAM AND WITH OUR CONTRACT RIGHT NOW, WE WERE -- FROM WHAT WE WERE TOLD WE WERE SUPPOSED TO GET A RAISE IN OCTOBER AND THAT NEVER HAPPENED AND HERE WE ARE FIVE MONTHS LATER WITHOUT A RAISE. AFTER SPEAKING TO SOME OF OUR STAFF MEMBERS FROM THE OR DEPARTMENT, OUR OR STAFF HOUSEKEEPERS HAVEN'T HAD A DECENT RAISE IN YEARS. THERE ARE HOTELS IN MAUI THAT START AT \$25 AN HOUR FOR HOUSEKEEPING. OUR HOUSEKEEPERS OR AIDES ARE THE BACKBONE OF OUR DEPARTMENT. THEY CLEAN UP BLOOD, BONES, I MEAN AFTER ALL OF OUR SURGERIES THEY MAKE EVERYTHING READY FOR THE NEXT CASES.\r\n\r\nTHEY ARE VERY HARD WORKERS. OUR TECHS THAT WORK IN THE OR DEPARTMENT, WE HAVE A VERY DEDICATED STAFF THAT HAS BEEN WITH MAUI MEMORIAL THROUGH THICK AND THING, EVEN THOUGH THE COVID PANDEMIC, WITH THE KINDNESS OF THEIR HEARTS WITHOUT ANY HAZARD PAY FROM MAUI MEMORIAL. OUR SURGICAL TECHNICIANS, 1, 2 AND 3 ARE SEVERELY UNDERPAID AND ASSIST SURGEONS WITH OPERATIONS NEED AND AND PROCEDURES IN COMPARISON TO OTHER HOSPITALS FOR SURGICAL TECHNICIANS GETTING PAID \$45-50 AN HOUR. MAUI HEALTH DOES NOT OFFER THIS. OUR OPERATING DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE APPRECIATED AND HONORED WITH FAIR WAGES. >> 30 SECONDS. >> CONSIDERING WE'RE THE ONLY OR HOSPITAL ON THE ISLAND OF MAUI.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. MEMBERS QUESTIONS? MEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I HAVE A CLARIFYING QUESTION. WHEN YOU SAID THAT YOU WERE MAKING \$30 IN CALIFORNIA, AND \$19 WHEN YOU ARRIVED HERE.\r\n\r\n>> YES. >> WAS THE ENTITY IN CALIFORNIA YOU WERE WORKING FOR ALSO A KAISER

HEALTH SYSTEM? >> IT WAS NOT, NO. KAISER ON THE MAINLAND GIVE MORE, BUT I BELIEVE BECAUSE KAISER IS NOT 100% KAISER AT MAUI HEALTH, SO WE DON'T GET THERE. IT'S HALF MAUI HEALTH AND HALF KAISER. >> AND THE OTHER RESPIRATORY TECH THAT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT THAT MAKE \$45-50. >> THOSE ARE SURGICAL TECHNICIANS. >> DO YOU KNOW IF THAT WAS KAISER HOSPITAL'S AS WELL?\r\n\r\n>> YES OTHER KAISERS THEY DO. OUT OF ALL OF THE HOUSEKEEPING, FROM THE OR DEPARTMENT, THE HOUSEKEEPING THAT DOES THE OR DEPARTMENT, OR AIDES, SPD, ALL THE START WAGES REALLY NEED TO BE RAISED BECAUSE IT'S ALL \$10 BELOW FROM WHAT WE SHOULD MAKE. >> AND THOSE THAT ARE MAKING THE HIGHER WAGE FOR KAISER IS THAT ON THE CONTINENT OR IN HAWAII? >> I'M NOT SURE ABOUT O'AHU, BUT I KNOW ON THE MAINLAND IT IS. >> THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. >> ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.\r\n\r\nMAY WE HAVE THE NEXT TESTIFIER, PLEASE. >> THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS SCOTT HOPKINS, TESTIFYING ON COMMITTEE REPORT 23-9, FOLLOWED BY KAM KA'ANA KANALOA. >> ALOHA. SCOTT HOPKINS ONLINE VERIFYING THAT I CAN BE HEARD? >> YES. >> OKAY. ALOHA, AND SALAAM MEMBER CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE MAUI COUNTY COUNTY.\r\n\r\nSCOTT HOPKINS, CURRENTLY SERVING AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FEED THE SHEEP AND IN SUPPORT OF ADOPTING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF LORI TSUHAKO. NUMBER OF INTERACTIONS THROUGH THE ALLIANCE. MS. TSUHAKO HAS BEEN A RELIABLE VOICE WITHIN THAT BODY, ENABLING MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS TO BANE AN ACCURATE AND EFFECTIVE UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THE COUNTY OF MAUI IS DOING TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS. HER ADVOCACY HAS ENABLED SERVICE AGENCIES LIKE OURSELVES TO COORDINATE WITH COUNTY'S EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION OF THOSE IN NEED, AND TO EXPEDITE OUR MUTUAL PROGRESS. LORI TSUHAKO HAS BROUGHT AN HIGH-LEVEL OF PROFESSIONALISM, INTEGRITY AND KNOWLEDGE AND STRATEGY TO THE PARTICIPATION AND IN SO DOING HAS ENABLED MEMBERS TO A SIMILAR STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE OF THOSE OF US WHO OPERATE WITHIN THE SPACE OF SERVING THE HUNGRY AND HOMELESS, FEEL A GREAT MANY IDEAS TO FIX HOMELESSNESS AND MANY WELL MEANING, BUT TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION FOR THE HOMELESS AND FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE. IT'S MY OPINION THAT LORI TSUHAKO HAS PROVIDED IMPORTANT FOCUS IN PROPERLY EVALUATING THE NEEDS AND ADDRESSING THEM IN A SYSTEMATIC PATH FORWARD WITH STEADY, MEASURABLE PROGRESS.\r\n\r\nLORI TSUHAKO'S TRACK RECORD AND ENDORSEMENT BY THE MAYORAL ENDORSEMENT SHE REALLY THE BEST CHOICE FOR THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS. THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBERS, FOR TAKING A MOMENT TO CONSIDER MY TESTIMONY. >> THANK YOU. QUESTIONS, MEMBERS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT TESTIFIER, PLEASE. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS KAM KANA KANILOA, FOLLOWED BY JOYCE KAWAKAMI.\r\n\r\n>> ALOHA, CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL. MY NAME IS KAM KANA, GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS MANAGER FOR UPW AND OBVIOUSLY UPW IS IN STRONG SUPPORT AND PROVIDED WRITTEN TESTIMONY AND LARGELY STAND ON THAT. BUT I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT STATE DIRECTOR WERNER WISHES THAT HE COULD BE HERE PERSONALLY TO TESTIFY IN SUPPORT, BUT COINCIDENTALLY THE EMPLOYER SCHEDULED MEDIATION THIS MORNING AT 9:00 A.M., WHICH OBVIOUSLY COINCIDED WITH THE START OF THIS COUNCIL MEETING. AGAIN, WE'RE IN STRONG SUPPORT, AND WE HUMBLLY ASK THAT THE COUNCIL SUPPORT THIS MEASURE. MAHALO. >> THANK YOU. MEMBERS, QUESTIONS?\r\n\r\nIF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS JOYCE KAWAKAMI TESTIFYING ON COMMITTEE REPORT 23-109, FOLLOWED BY HAZELLEY RIGHT. >> THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALLOWING ME TO TESTIFY. GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, AND COUNCIL MEMBERS. I'M HOPING YOU CAN HEAR ME. PERFECT.\r\n\r\nI WOULD FIRST LIKE TO THANK OUR MAYOR BISSEN FOR HIS CHOICES AND SINCE HE STARTED AS THE NEW MAYOR, I BELIEVE THERE SEEMS TO BE -- WE NEED TO SUPPORT HIS DECISIONS. SO THAT HE HAS A CHANCE FOR SUCCESS AS THE NEW MAYOR. HIS HISTORY SHOWS HE IS A VERY INTELLIGENT INDIVIDUAL AND WORKING FOR BEST OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI AND THE MAYOR HAS PUT TIME AND EFFORT TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT PEOPLE FOR THE JOB. WITH THAT BEING SAID, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK FOR SUPPORT OF THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT LORI TSUHAKO AS DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS. SHE HAS PROVEN THAT HAD SHE HAS ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS, AND WILLINGNESS TO ENGAGE WITH OTHERS AND SPEND TIME AND ENERGY TO TRY TO FIND SOLUTIONS TO OUR CHALLENGES. SHE IS COMMITTED

TO THIS COMMUNITY AS IT'S HER HOME AND I BELIEVE SHE IS BEST PERSON FOR THIS JOB. IT'S MY PRAYER THAT THE COUNCIL WILL APPROVE DIRECTOR TSUHAKO'S APPOINTMENT AND TO INFORM EVERYONE I WAS A FORMER COMMISSION ON THE COMMISSION OF HEALING SOLUTIONS FOR HOMELESSNESS AND TO TESTIFY SHE IS AN ATTENTIVE PARTICIPANT AT EVERY MEETING AND ANXIOUS TO RECEIVE VIABLE RECOMMENDATIONS TO WORK ON.\r\n\r\nBECAUSE OF THIS, THERE'S NOW A PROGRAM OF STREET MEDICAL FOR THE HOMELESS, WHICH IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE BOTH MEDICAL AND MENTAL TREATMENT. THIS IS A PROGRAM THAT WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE HOMELESS COMMISSION. AND I HOPE YOU WILL TAKE MY RECOMMENDATIONS INTO CONSIDERATION, AND THANKS SO MUCH FOR ALLOWING ME TO TESTIFY. MEMBER KAMA I WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT WHEN YOU OPENED YOUR STATEMENTS ABOUT SUPPORTING MAYOR BISSEN, AS OPPOSED TO MAYOR BIDEN. YOU MEANT MAYOR BISSEN. >> OH, >> GEE, I'M SO SORRY, YOU FOLKS MAKE ME SO NERVOUS AND I'M TRYING TO READ HERE. YES, MAYOR BISSEN.\r\n\r\nI SAID BIDEN, OH, MY GOODNESS, PLEASE FORGIVE ME FOR THAT ONE. YES, I WOULD LIKE US TO SUPPORT HIS -- I DO KNOW HE WORKED VERY HARD ON THIS. >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.\r\n\r\nNEXT. >> CHAIR, NEXT TESTIFIER IS HAZELLEY RIGHT, FOLLOWED BY KUI NOHOI. >> HAZELLEY WRIGHT, IT'S YOUR TURN TO TESTIFY. YOU CAN UNMUTE. >> ALOHA, MY NAME IS HAZELLEY WRIGHT . SUPPORTING AUNTIE LORI. I WAS HOMELESS FOR SEVEN YEARS AND I DID TURN AROUND MY LIFE AND HELPED ME FORTUNATELY -- ALL THOSE DOCUMENTS THAT I DIDN'T HAVE FOR YEARS TO HELP ME WITH HOUSING, HELPED ME TO START A NEW LEAF. I REALLY APPRECIATED IT.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. >> THANK YOU SO MUCH. MEMBERS, DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS KUI KALAHEO -- EXCUSE ME IF I MISPRONOUNCED YOUR NAME. >> ALOHA MADAM CHAIR, COUNCIL. ALOHA GABE.\r\n\r\nMAHALO. SO MY NAME IS KUI, I WORK AT KULA HOSPITAL AND I HAVE BEEN THERE FOR 28 YEARS. 27 YEARS WITH THE UNIT THAT I WORK IS HALE MAKALEI AND I'M NOT SURE BECAUSE NOT MANY HEAR ABOUT HALE MAKALEI. HALE MAKALEI IS THE ONLY INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES. IN THE STATE OF HAWAII. IT'S A SMALL UNIT. WE HAVE CURRENTLY EIGHT CLIENTS. BUT THE ACUITY IS HIGH.\r\n\r\nTHE EXPECTATIONS TO TAKE CARE OF THESE CLIENTS INCLUDES JUST NOT NURSING, BUT ALSO TEACHING. SO A LOT OF COMPASSIONATE ACTION SO IT IS A UNIQUE SPECIALIZED UNIT THAT PROVIDES SPECIFIC INDIVIDUALIZED CARE, AND ACTIVE TREATMENT PROGRAMS, WHICH IS REQUIRED BY FRED ROW, AS WELL AS STATE LAW. SO THESE CLIENTS FOR HOW FRAGILE THEY ARE, IS NOT LIKE YOUR NORMAL NURSING. IT REQUIRES A LOT OF TIME, ONE-ON-ONE INTERACTION. SO IN MY 27 YEARS WITH THEM, I HAVE BEEN WITH THEM SINCE THEY WERE BABIES. THE YOUNGEST, WHICH BACK THEN WAS 3-MONTHS-OLD. THEY ARE ALL NOW GROWN, AND THEY ARE YOUNG ADULTS.\r\n\r\nSO THE RATIONALE FOR SHARING THIS BRIEF INFORMATION ABOUT HALE MAKALEI IS TO BRING TO LIGHT THAT NEGATIVE IMPACTS PLACED UPON CAREGIVERS IS RESULTING IN A NEGATIVE OUTCOME FOR THESE CLIENTS, AS WELL AS THE COMMUNITY. IT AFFECTS THE FAMILY. IT DEFINITELY AFFECTS ALL OF MY WORKERS. SO KULA HOSPITAL ITSELF IS ALL ABOUT 'OHANA, AT LEAST IT HAS BEEN PRIOR TO THE TRANSITION; RIGHT? SO SINCE THE TRANSITION OUR 'OHANA HAS BEEN BROKEN. AND SO MY CO-WORKERS WANTED ME TO BRING TO YOU, AND LET YOU KNOW THEIR CONCERNS. AND OF COURSE, MONEY IS NOT ALWAYS, YOU KNOW, IS ALWAYS AT THE FOREFRONT.\r\n\r\nBUT FOR KULA HOSPITAL, A LOT OF IT HAS TO DO WITH STAFF SHORTAGES. >> EXCUSE ME, CAN YOU CONCLUDE? >> I CAN. >> THANK YOU. >> I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND I KNOW THAT WHATEVER DECISION AND SUPPORT THAT WE HAVE FROM THE COMMUNITY IS REALLY GOING TO BENEFIT WHY WE ARE HERE TODAY, AND WHAT MAUI NEEDS TO DO AS A COMMUNITY, AS A WHOLE, TO MOVE FORWARD TO MAKE THIS HEALTH SYSTEM AND TO CORRECT IT, AND TO BRING IT BACK TO WHAT IT NEEDS TO BE. MAHALO. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nMEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, MS. NO HOANI. I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY, MONEY IS THE THING, BUT CAN YOU CLARIFY WHAT ELSE IT IS? >> YES, I CAN. STAFF SHORTAGES; RIGHT?\r\n\r\nIMPROPER TRAINING -- SO HALE MAKALEI, WHAT WE NEED IS CONTINUALLY -- BECAUSE YOU HAVE TRAVEL NURSES, NEW-HIRES AND WE'RE SHORT-STAFFED ALREADY, THEY COME WITH A DIFFERENT MINDSET, THAT IS NOT NECESSARILY GEARED TOWARDS THE RESIDENTS, AND WHAT IS EXPECTED. THERE'S ALSO THE CONSISTENT HIGH

TURNOVER OF WORKERS THAT COME IN. FOR SOME REASON KULA HOSPITAL CAN'T RETAIN THEM LONG ENOUGH. SO THAT PUTS A STRAIN ON THE CNAS AND THE WORKERS. FREQUENT MANDATORY OVERTIME WITH REPERCUSSIONS, YOU KNOW? SO YOU CAN VOLUNTEER, WHICH IS A LOT -- WHAT A LOT OF US DO IS BECAUSE WE'RE SHORT, WE'RE GOING TO STAY, I'M GOING TO STAY BACK AND HELP. SO YOU STAY BACK, YOU HELP, YOU VOLUNTEER TWO DAYS OVERTIME.\r\n\r\nTHAT THIRD DAY THERE'S A CRISIS AND NOBODY SHOWS UP AND WE'RE SHORT ALL OF A SUDDEN. NOW YOU'RE MANDATED TO WORK AND THIS IS A DAILY BASIS. SO WE ALWAYS QUESTION, WHEN IS THIS CRISIS GOING TO END? WE DON'T SEE IT -- IT'S BEEN EVER SINCE THE TRANSFER; RIGHT? EVERYBODY WHO RETIRED THOSE POSITIONS WERE NEVER REPLACED. THEN YOU GET ANOTHER GROUP THAT LEAVE TO GO TO WORK FOR THE COUNTY OR STATE, AND THOSE ARE OTHER AREAS THAT HAVEN'T BEEN FULLY REPLACED. A LOT OF REPLACEMENTS IS TRAVEL NURSES.\r\n\r\nNOW I APPRECIATE TRAVEL NURSES. I REALLY DO. BUT AT SOME POINT, WE NEED TO LOOK WHAT IS BEST FOR MAUI? WHAT IS BEST FOR HAWAII? THANK YOU. >> MEMBER KAMA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE.\r\n\r\nMY QUESTION YOU TAKE THE IDD PATIENTS FROM TIME OF BIRTH. >> YES. >> AND KEEP THEM THEIR ENTIRE LIFETIME? >> THE GOAL IS TO TRAIN THEM, OR GET THEM TO A POINT WHERE WE CAN JUST TRANSITION THEM OUT INTO THE COMMUNITY. AND FOR A LOT OF THESE PATIENTS, THAT IS NOT POSSIBLE. SO THE BEST THAT WE CAN DO IS TO HELP GIVE THEM LIFE, ENJOYMENT, AND AT THE SAME TIME, LEARNING THE MOST SIMPLE TASKS FOR ACTIVE DAILY LIVING. >> SO THE SHORTAGES THAT YOU SPOKE ABOUT AT KULA HOSPITAL, ARE SOME OF THEM OR MANY OF THEM COVERED BY THE UPW CONTRACTS?\r\n\r\n>> YES, MOST OF THEM -- WE DON'T HAVE THAT MUCH UPW MEMBERS. IT'S MOSTLY TRAVEL TRAVELERS. IN MY UNIT, FOR EXAMPLE, AS A LICENSED NURSE, I'M ALSO THE SUPERVISOR, AND I HAVE JUST TWO REGULAR STAFF THAT ARE CNAS. MOST OF THE TIME I DON'T GET THEM TOGETHER, THEY GET ROTATED AROUND. SO I'LL HAVE ONE REGULAR STAFF, AND ONE TRAVEL STAFF. NOW IF SOMEONE IS SICK, THE TRAVELER BY THEIR CONTRACT DOES NOT -- CANNOT GET MANDATED TO STAY. SO NOW YOU ARE LOOKING AT MY STAFF THAT ARE HAVING TO BE MANDATED, AND OFTEN TIMES, LIKE I SAID, HAVE ALREADY DONE TWO DAYS' OF VOLUNTARY WORK AND NOW REQUIRED TO STAY WHETHER THEY LIKE IT OR NOT.\r\n\r\nSO THEY HAVE TO CHOOSE BETWEEN FAMILY OR WORK? >> SO MANDATORY OVERTIME IS MANDATORY VOLUNTEERISM, BASICALLY. >> NO, YOU'RE MANDATED. YOU STAY. YOU REFUSE, YOU GET REPRIMANDED. >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\n>> YOU'RE WELCOME. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS? I DON'T SEE ANY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> YOU'RE WELCOME. MAHALO. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS LUKE BAILEY, TESTIFYING ON COMMITTEE REPORT 23-13, FOLLOWED BY TYLER MALLARD.\r\n\r\n>> ALOHA KAKOU. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT MY NOMINATION THERE WERE SOME QUESTIONS. SO I WAS PRESENTING MYSELF TODAY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS FOR COUNCIL. >> SORRY, WHO IS THIS AGAIN? >> LUKE BAILEY. >> THIS IS NOT REALLY THE TIME.\r\n\r\nTHIS IS FOR TESTIMONY THIS TIME HERE, AND WE'LL BE MAKING UP NOMINATIONS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS LATER. SO IF YOU WANT TO REJOIN US LATER. MEMBER PALTIN. >> I JUST HAD A QUESTION FOR THE TESTIFIER, BECAUSE HE HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN ON THE FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION AND OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT HE MOVED AWAY IN HIS TERM. SO THE THINK THE MAIN QUESTION, DOES HE LIVE HERE NOW AND WOULD HE FINISH THE TERM? >> DID YOU HEAR THE QUESTION? >> I DID HEAR THE QUESTION.\r\n\r\nYES, THANK YOU. SO I SPLIT TIME BETWEEN HAWAII FROM MAUI AND I'M FROM KULA ORIGINALLY. SO I SPLIT TIME RIGHT NOW BETWEEN THE MAINLAND AND HAWAII, AFTER GRADUATING IN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS, I WILL BE RETURNING HOME. IF THERE'S ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS OR FOLLOW-ON TO THAT? >> JUST THAT QUALIFICATIONS ARE TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF AND COMMISSION, YOU NEED TO BE A MAUI COUNTY RESIDENT. SO DO YOU QUALIFY FOR THE OWNER-OCCUPIED STATUS? >> I DO.\r\n\r\nI STILL HAVE PROPERTY IN KULA. SO I WOULD BE ABLE TO ATTEND MOST MEETINGS REMOTELY, AND OTHER MEETINGS WHILE AT HOME, IN-PERSON. >> OKAY, JUST CLARIFYING, NOT THAT YOU OWN A HOME, BUT THAT YOU QUALIFY FOR THE OWNER-OCCUPIED TAX CLASSIFICATION? >> CORRECT. I WILL, YES. >> THANK YOU, THAT CONCLUDES MY QUESTIONS. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.\r\n\r\nI'M NOT SURE WHAT TIME WE'LL BE TAKING UP YOUR ITEM, BUT PROBABLY A COUPLE OF HOURS FROM NOW. DO YOU WANT TO CHECK BACK? >> I WILL CHECK BACK. THANK YOU. >> NEXT TESTIFIER. >> MADAM CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS

TYLER MALLARD, TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-105, FOLLOWED BY VALERIE SANCHEZ. >> AND MEMBERS, WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A SHORT RECESS AT 11:00. >> ALOHA COUNCIL MEMBERS.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO HEAR THE CRY OF UPW. I HAVE A STATEMENT HERE WRITTEN, IF YOU DON'T MIND ME READING TO DEPRESS MY DEEP CONCERN WITH THE ONGOING UPW STRIKE AND IT'S IMPACT ON YOUR COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY ON THE PATIENTS, WHO RELY ON HEALTH CARE SERVICES PROVIDED BY MEMBERS OF UPW. I URGE YOU TO GET INVOLVED IN THIS MATTER, AND ENCOURAGE KAISER TO COME TO THE BARGAINING TABLE TO END THIS STRIKE. AS SOMEONE WHO WORKED AT THE HOSPITAL TEN MONTHS AGO, I CAN ATTEST TO YOU THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF SHORT STAFFING. AN INADEQUATE PAY, AND QUALITY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES PROVIDED. I WAS FORCED TO LEAVE MY JOB DUE TO THESE ISSUES. I KNOW THAT MANY OF US ARE THE SAME, LOW PAY OFFERED BY KAISER IS NOT ENOUGH TO ATTRACT AND RETAIN QUALIFIED HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS, WHICH MEANS THAT OUR ONLY HOSPITAL ON THIS ISLAND IS SUFFERING FROM A SHORTAGE OF SKILLED WORKERS.\r\n\r\nTHIS SHORTAGE HAS A REAL SIGNIFICANT CONSEQUENCE FOR OUR COMMUNITY. PATIENTS WHO NEED MEDICAL ATTENTION MAY HAVE TO WAIT LONGER TO RECEIVE TREATMENT, OR MAY NOT RECEIVE THE LEVEL OF CARE THAT THEY NEED DUE TO THE LACK OF STAFF. THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE. AND WE MUST DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. I URGE THAT MAUI COUNTY COUNCIL TO USE ITS INFLUENCE TO BRING KAISER TO THE BARGAINING TABLE AND NEGOTIATE A FAIR AND EQUITABLE CONTRACT THAT WILL ADDRESS THE CONCERNS OF UPW MEMBERS AND PROVIDE FAIR COMPENSATION FOR THEIR HARD WORK. WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT OUR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS ARE PAID WHAT THEY'RE WORTH, SO THAT WE CAN ATTRACT AND RETAIN THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST TO WORK IN OUR HOSPITAL. I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR ALLOWING US TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE SAFETY OF THIS COMMUNITY.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? NO QUESTIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS VALERIE SANCHEZ, FOLLOWED BY THOMAS PRATT. MS.\r\n\r\nSANCHEZ WILL BE TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-105. >> ALOHA. GOOD MORNING. I'M WRITING ON BEHALF OF THE OPERATING ROOM AT MAUI MEMORIAL MEDICAL CERTIFICATE AND I ASSIST SURGEONS AND RNAS AND ALL CARDIOVASCULAR PROCEDURES BY PREPARING THE TABLE AND STERILE INSTRUMENTS AND SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR PROCEDURES. WE ANTICIPATE WHAT THE SURGEON NEEDS, AND PASS INSTRUMENTS TO THE SURGEON AND/OR ASSISTANT AND RESPONSIBLE FOR SPECIMENS, MEDICATIONS THAT ARE ON THE FIELD. WHILE DOING ALL OF THIS, OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP THE ENTIRE STERILE FIELD WITHOUT MILL AND ANOTHER TECHNICIANS THE OR HOSPITAL AND COMMUNITY SUFFERS SEVERELY. THERE'S A VERY LIMITED STAFF THAT CAN DO WHAT WE DO AND BEING THERE'S NO SCHOOLING ON MAUI FOR SURGICAL TECH IT'S DIFFICULT TO FILL THE POSITION. WE ARE ALL THAT MAUI HAS.\r\n\r\nAN OPERATING ROOM SUCCESS BEGINS WITH THEM. WITHOUT A CLEAN AND STERILE ROOM SURGERIES CANNOT BE PERFORMED -- SORRY I GET EMOTIONAL. AN HOUSE KEEPERS ARE SPECIAL POSITIONS AND TERMINAL CLEANING THAT IS DONE IN AN OPERATING ROOM TAKES SPECIAL TRAINING AND EDUCATION, THERE'S SEVERAL PIECES OF EQUIPMENT AND DISPOSABLE ITEMS THAT MUST BE CLEANED, STERILIZE AUTHENTIC DISPOSED OF PROPERLY, NOT TO MENTION THE DISPOSURE TO BLOOD AND OTHER BODY FLUIDS. INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NEVER STEPPED FOOT IN AN OPERATING ROOM ARE CLEANING THE ONLY ROOM ON MAUI. THAT IS TERRIFYING WHEN YOU THINK OF CROSS-CONTAMINATION THAT CAN OCCUR DURING THIS STRIKE, YOU CAN ONLY PRAY IT DOESN'T. WITHOUT CLEANED AND STERILIZED INSTRUMENTS, SURGERIES CANNOT BE PERFORMED. AS SOMEONE WHO STARTED IN SPD, STERILE PROCESSING, I CAN HONESTLY SAY IT WAS THE HARDEST JOB I HAVE EVER DONE. AFTER A SURGERY, THE INSTRUMENTS GO TO AN AREA WE CALL THE DECONTAM ROOM, WHERE THE INSTRUMENTS GET SCRUBBED, CLEANED AND PUT INTO HIGH-PERFORMANCE WASHER.\r\n\r\nAFTER THE WASHING IS COMPLETE, TECHS EXAMINE FOR ANY BIO BURDEN AND THIS ENTAILS KNOWING ALL OF THE INSTRUMENTS. WHEN THE ASSEMBLY AND WRAPPING IS COMPLETE, THE INSTRUMENTS GO INTO AN AUTOCLAVE AND MACHINE WHERE THE INSTRUMENTS ARE STERILIZED AND WHEN COMPLETE, EXAMINED FOR MORE POSITIVE INDICATORS THAT SHOW THAT THE PROCESS IS COMPLETE. DOCUMENTATION IS DONE FOR EVERY SINGLE TRAY. THIS IS ANOTHER AREA WHERE MAUI -- AGAIN, WE'RE AIL THAT MAUI HAS. >> 30 SECONDS. >> OUR SURGICAL BACKBONE PREPARE ROOMS AND SUPPLIES AND

INSTRUMENTS FOR EVERY PROCEDURE WHILE BEING AVAILABLE FOR OTHER NEEDS SUCH AS TURNING OVER ROOMS TAKING SPECIMENS AND PICKING UP PATIENT, ET CETERA. THE RNS COUNT ON THEM TO BE VARIABLE TO GRAB WHAT IS NEEDED, SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO LEAVE THE ROOM.

ALL OF US ARE OUTSIDE ON THE PICKET LINE RIGHT NOW, MEANWHILE THE OPERATING ROOM ON MAUI, THE ONLY ONE ON MAUI IS OPERATING DANGEROUSLY WITH VERY LIMITED STAFF. WHO ARE NOT PROPERLY TRAINED. WE'RE ASKING FOR FAIRNESS, IN PAY, SCHEDULING. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. >> THANK YOU. MEMBER JOHNSON. >> IF YOU CAN CLARIFY, YOU SAID THERE'S ONLY ONE OPERATING ROOM AT MAUI MEMORIAL?

>> WE'RE THE OPERATING ROOM. THERE'S ONLY ONE ON THE ISLAND IS WHAT I MEAN. WE HAVE SEVEN OPERATING ROOMS TOTAL. >> SO THE STAFF, IS THAT WHAT YOU CONSIDER A STAFF OF PEOPLE. >> THE STAFF OF PEOPLE, YES. >> OKAY. THANK YOU FOR THAT CLARIFICATION.

MEMBER KAMA. >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE THIS MORNING. >> YOU'RE WELCOME. >> MS. SANCHEZ, HOW MANY SURGICAL TECHS ARE THERE? >> CURRENTLY WE HAVE FOUR PERMANENT SURGICAL TECHS AND WE HAVE FIVE IN TRAINING.

SO WE HAVE NINE. THE FOUR THAT CAN WORK BY THEMSELVES. >> SO WE HAVE SEVEN OPERATING ROOMS. SO IF WE HAD ALL OF THE OPERATING ROOMS GOING AT FULL SPEED, WOULD THEY ALL BE ABLE TO BE COVERED BY THE SURGICAL TECHS THAT YOU HAVE NOW? >> WE HAVE A FEW, VERY FEW RNS THAT CAN SCRUB. MOST OF OUR RNS THAT CAN SCRUB ARE CHARGED NURSES THAT TAKES AWAY FROM THEIR DUTIES WHEN WE HAVE TO PLACE THEM IN OTHER ROOMS. >> SO HOW MANY OR HOUSEKEEPERS DO YOU HAVE?

I AM UNSURE. WE HAVE, I THINK, THREE PERMANENT. WE HAVE TWO DURING THE DAY. THAT IS IT. >> AND HOW MANY OR AIDES DO YOU HAVE? >> CURRENTLY, THREE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS? NEXT TESTIFIER, PLEASE. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS THOMAS PRATT, TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-105. FOLLOWED BY LAWRENCE CARNICELLI. >> I WASN'T PLANNING ON SPEAKING, BUT THIS ISSUE WE'RE HAVING ON THE ISLAND, WE'RE IN CRISIS AT THE HOSPITAL. FOR TWO YEARS, WE HAVE BEEN IN A CRISIS, I MEAN, NOBODY KNOWS IT, BECAUSE YOU ARE ALL HEALTHY RIGHT NOW.

BUT LET ME TELL YOU, IF YOU GO INTO THE HOSPITAL, YOU WANT THE BEST CARE YOU CAN GET I'M SORRY, MY NAME IS THOMAS PRATT, THEY CALL ME TOMMY TWO FINGERS AT THE HOSPITALS, BECAUSE I'M A NURSE -- I CHOSE MAUI. I'M LICENSED IN EIGHT STATES. AND I USED TO COME BACK AND FORTH TO THE HOSPITAL, BECAUSE IT WAS A GREAT HOSPITAL TO WORK FOR. IT REALLY WAS. WHAT MADE IT A GREAT HOSPITAL WAS THE AIDES. THEY TAKE SO MUCH BURDEN OFF THE NURSES. PATIENTS GOT GOOD CARE, WHEN THEY WOULD COME IN STINKY AND DIRTY, THEY COULD GET ON THEM LIKE ANTS AND CLEAN THEM UP.

NOW WE DON'T HAVE THAT ANY MORE. THE PATIENTS AREN'T GETTING THE CARE THAT THEY NEED AND THE ONLY TIME YOU SEE IT, MAYBE IF ONE OF YOUR OWN FAMILY OR 'OHANA WERE IN THE HOSPITAL. I CHOOSE MAUI. I WORKED AT STANFORD, YOU KNOW WHAT THEY WANTED TO PAY ME OUT ANY OVERTIME? \$160,000 A YEAR. THAT IS WHAT I WOULD HAVE MADE AT STANFORD, EVEN WITH THE HIGH COST OF LIVING IT WOULD HAVE BEEN A LIVABLE AGE. I TOOK A JOB HERE UNDER \$85,000 AND MY CHOICE FOR CHOOSING THIS PLACE WAS THE AIDES.

THEY WERE WONDERFUL. IT'S NOT -- THEY'RE NOT UNEDUCATED. THEY'RE TRAINED. YOU OUGHT TO SEE THEM. THEY'RE THE BEST. AND WHEN KAISER TOOK OVER, ALL OF A SUDDEN THE HELP LEFT. AND IT DIDN'T LEAVE, IT'S LIKE THEY DIDN'T PAY THEM, AND THEY -- YOU KNOW, KEEP IT GOING.

SO ONE THING I WANT TO SAY DURING THE CRISIS OF COVID, THOSE GUYS, WE GOT A NURSE RIGHT THERE. AND OUR FLOOR, THE FIRST ONES THAT GET COVID AND WE HAD NO IDEA WHAT COVID WAS, OKAY? AND WE WENT IN, BECAUSE IT WAS OUR JOB TO GO IN. WE DIDN'T KNOW IF WE WERE GOING IN TO GET KILLED. YOU KNOW? LIKE A FIREFIGHTERS, THEY SEE THE FIRE AND THEY ARE GOING INTO ACTION. WE WENT IN TO A BLIND WHATEVER IT WAS, BECAUSE WE HAD NO IDEA WHAT IT WAS PUTTING OUR LIVES ON THE LINE THE AIDES WERE RIGHT WITH US AND FOR \$18 AN HOUR TO START TO PUT YOUR LIFE ON THE LINE AND NOBODY CARES ABOUT IT.

>> 30 SECONDS IT'S REALLY SAD. SAME THING, RESPIRATORY THERAPISTS. YOU KNOW HOW MANY ARE ON THE FLOOR NOW? THERE ARE EVERY. THEY ARE NOT JUST IN SPECIALIZED UNITS, BUT IN MEDSURGE UNITS. WE NEED TRAINED PEOPLE. TRAVELERS, THEY DON'T DO IT.

THEY DON'T KNOW THE 12:59:12 CULTURE. >> MR. COOK. >> THANK YOU. YOUR TESTIMONY WAS PASSIONAL, SINCERE AND GENUINE AND THE FACT YOU HAVE CHOSEN TO WORK



IN MAUI, BECAUSE OF MAUI'S PEOPLE. >> YES. >> SPEAKS VOLUMES.\r\n\r\nAND MY HEART JUST GOES OUT TO YOU VERY MUCH VERY MUCH MAHALO. >> THANK YOU. CAN I SAY ONE MORE THING? TWO YEARS AGO, BECAUSE OF THE SHORTAGE I HAVE RUPTURED DISKS IN MY BACK AND HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO WORK. WHY IS MY BACK RUPTURED? WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY AIDES AND I WAS DOING EVERYTHING, TWISTING AND EVERYTHING AND I RUPTURED BY DISK. I'M STILL AN EMPLOYEE, BUT I'M OUT WITH A COUPLE OF RUPTURES DISKS.\r\n\r\nIT WAS THE AIDES, PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE HAPPENED. AND THE AIDES CARE. THEY ARE PROFESSIONALS. THEY ARE NOT UNEDUCATED >> THANK YOU. >> MEMBER KAMA. >> THANK YOU. MR.\r\n\r\nPRATT, COULD YOU COME BACK TO THE PODIUM, PLEASE? >> ONE MORE QUESTION. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. SO MR. PRATT, THE STRIKE THAT YOU FOLKS ARE DOING RIGHT NOW, DOES THAT COVER THE AIDES, AS WELL AS TECHS? >> I'M SORRY? >> DOES THE STRIKE THAT YOU FOLKS ARE FIGHTING FOR DOES IT COVER THE AIDES,, AS WELL AS THE TECHS?\r\n\r\n>> OH, YES. THAT IS WHAT I MEAN, THE AIDES, THE TECHS AND ESPECIALLY THE RESPIRATORY THERAPISTS. >> ALL THE THERAPISTS, INCLUDING THE HOUSEKEEPERS. >> CORRECT. >> SO WHAT DO YOU ACTUALLY WANT US TO DO BESIDES SUBMITTING THE RESOLUTION? >> I WANT YOU TO BE ABLE TO INTERVENE, BECAUSE YOU HAVE POWER. YOU ARE THE POLITICS OF THIS ISLAND.\r\n\r\nTHE MAYOR, WELL HE WAS HERE. HE HAS SOME POWER. THE OTHER MAYOR CAME TO VISIT AND I FORGET WHICH COUNCIL PEOPLE CAME. I DIDN'T SEE THE MAYOR, AND HE SAYS HE IS FOR THE PEOPLE. THAT IS WHY I VOTED FOR HIM. AND I JUST DON'T SEE ANY HELP FROM HIM COME TO SUPPORT THE PEOPLE OF THE ISLAND. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> MEMBER PALTIN. >> OH, MR. PRATT, CAN I ASK YOU A QUESTION AS WELL SORRY ABOUT YOUR RUPTURED DISK. >> MEMBER PALTIN. >> GO AHEAD. >> I WAS JUST WONDERING, IS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE ANOTHER HEALTH STILL TO COME IN BESIDES KAISER?\r\n\r\nOR WOULD YOU LIKE IT TO GO BACK TO THE STATE-RUN? >> YOU DON'T WANT MY ANSWER ON THAT. I WILL STAY AWAY FROM THAT ONE. THAT IS UP TO YOU GUYS. I'M AN RN, BUT I STAND UP FOR THESE PEOPLE. >> BECAUSE DURING COVID, WE WERE TRYING TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF THEM NOT ALLOWED TO WEAR A MASK, AND THEN N-95S AND MR. RAMBUS CAME IN AND SAID EVERYTHING IS GREAT.\r\n\r\n>> IF NEVER WAS. THAT WAS A BUNCH OF FALSEHOOD. IT'S A FALSEHOOD. IF EVERYBODY THINKS THAT THEY ARE SAFE RIGHT NOW ON THE ISLAND, IT ISN'T. IT'S A VISCERAL THING FOR ME. SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE DONE. WE'RE RUNNING AT 120% CAPACITY AND AS ANOTHER HOSPITAL, RENOVATE THIS ONE, TURN IT INTO A PLACE FOR KUPUNA AND FOR ALL OF THE HOMELESS. YOU KNOW WHAT -- WHAT WE HAVE TO PUT UP WITH?\r\n\r\nALL THE HOMELESS THROWING DOO-DOO AT US AND KICKING US AND ALL THEY WANT IS DRUGS AND WE HAVE TO SERVE THEM WITH A SMILE. THIS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM FOR THE PEOPLE OF MAUI, IF YOU REALLY CARE, NEEDS TO BE TOTALLY REDONE. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? >> NO, THANK YOU. NOT FROM ME. >> THANK YOU FOR HEARING ME. THANK YOU.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. NEXT TESTIFIER, AND THEN WE'LL TAKE A BREAK. >> MADAM CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS THELMA KEALOHA. >> I THOUGHT IT WAS MR. CARNICELLI. >> HE IS GOING TO TESTIFY WHEN ITEM COMES UP. >> I SEE.\r\n\r\nHI THELMA, YOU CAN START. >> GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBERS. THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME TESTIFY. MY NAME THELMA KEALOHA OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES AND TESTIFYING IN SUPPORT OF LORI TSUHAKO AS THE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS AND TO THANK MAYOR BISSEN FOR ALSO SEEING HER AS THE BEST PERSON, AND BELIEVING THAT, AND RE-APPOINTING HER. I AGREE WITH THE OTHER TESTIFIERS ON LORI'S BEHALF TODAY AND AT THE LAST HEARING THAT SHE HAD. I STILL FEEL THE SAME. SHE IS KNOWLEDGEABLE AND INTELLIGENT, WITH PASSION AND COMPASSION AND CARES ABOUT THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY.\r\n\r\nSHE RESPECTS POCKS AND VALUES AND HONESTY AND I TOTALLY SEE HER AS SOMEONE WITH INTEGRITY AND SHE IS VERY HONEST. SHE IS A PROFESSIONAL WITH LOTS OF EXPERTISE. I THINK IT WAS COUNCIL MEMBER SUGIMURA AT LAST TIME THAT BROUGHT IT TO OUR ATTENTION THAT LOTS OF PEOPLE ARE TESTIFYING ABOUT THE HOMELESS ISSUE, BUT SHE DOESN'T ONLY COVER THAT AREA. SHE COVERED THE WHOLE HUGE DEPARTMENT, AND SHE HAS KNOWLEDGE IN THE MANY DIFFERENT AREAS AS WELL. YOU KNOW, I HAVE TO SAY THAT SHE'S STILL -- I SEE HER AS A VERY COMPASSIONATE, AND PASSIONATE PERSON, WHO REALLY CARES ABOUT THE COMMUNITY. I CANNOT STRESS THAT ENOUGH. I JUST WANTED TO ALSO THROW OUT THAT SHE MAKES PERSONAL CALLS TO PEOPLE, WHEN SHE FEELS IT'S A CONCERN FOR THEM, FOR THE AREA THAT THEY ARE, WORKING,

WHATEVER THEY ARE DOING IN THE COMMUNITY.\r\n\r\nI HAVE GOTTEN CALLS FROM HER CONCERNING KAHUI LANA'I, CONTRACTING IT OUT FOR MANAGEMENT. WHEN BEING CONCERNED, BEING CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR PARENTS AND THEIR AUNTIES AND WHOEVER THAT THEY KNOW AND RELATED TO, SHE CALLS ME, AND LET'S ME KNOW THIS IS A HEADS-UP, YOU KNOW? BE AWARE OF THIS. IT'S NICE TO KNOW THOSE ISSUES AND CHALLENGES BEFORE IT BECOMES A BIG THING. I HAVE GOTTEN DIRECTION CALLS, EVEN THOUGH I DON'T HANDLE THE MANAGEMENT OF THAT AREA. >> 30 SECONDS. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. AND I HOPE THAT YOU FOLKS DO SUPPORT HER AS THE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS. >> ANY QUESTIONS, MEMBERS? I DO NOT SEE QUESTIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, THELMA. >> THANKS NOW WE'LL TAKE A BREAK. SO THIS MEETING IS IN RECESS UNTIL 11:17. [ GAVEL ] [ GAVEL ] WILL THE MARCH 10TH MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL PLEASE RECONVENE.\r\n\r\nMS. CLERK, NEXT TESTIFIER. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. NEXT TESTIFIER IS MARY QUOTRON, TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-105, FOLLOWED BY EUGENA VALERO. >> COULD THE NEXT TESTIFIER PLEASE BE READY SO WE CAN MOVE THIS A LITTLE QUICKER? THANK YOU. >> ALOHA, GOOD MORNING.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE. ALTHOUGH I AM HERE ON BEHALF OF MY UPW, COHORTS AND MY LIVELIHOOD AND SPEAKING FOR MYSELF. I HAVE BEEN ON MAUI 25 YEARS AND PHARMACY IS A THANKLESS JOB, BUT IT WAS THE PHARMACY THAT GOT US THROUGH THE COVID PANDEMIC, BECAUSE THE TECHS WERE MIXING THOSE VACCINES, NOT -- >> COULD YOU BRING YOUR MICRO PHONE A LITTLE CLOSER SO THE PHARMACY TECHS WERE MAKING THESE VACCINES. BUT NOBODY KNEW ABOUT THAT. WHEN WE CAME IN WITH IVS AND NEW CURES THE PHARMACY TECHS WERE MAKING THOSE. I WAS PULLING TRIPLE SHIFTS, WORKING MY REGULAR ONCOLOGY AND MAKING CHEMO IVS FOR CANCER PATIENTS AND I WOULD HELP THE REGULAR PHARMACY AND I WOULD COME IN AND COVER GRAVEYARD SHIFT. ASIDE FROM PHARMACY, I HAVE A SECOND JOB AS A VALET AT THE HOSPITAL.\r\n\r\nI GAVE UP PHARMACY IN AUGUST, SO I COULD GO TO THE SURGICAL TECH PROGRAM. SO I'M MANY IN THE OR ROOM, BUT THE MOTIVATING FACTOR WAS INITIALLY WAS PAY. WHEN THAT CAME, SO DID MY RENT AND I LIVE ALONE. I'M IN A RELATIONSHIP, BUT I DON'T -- WE KEEP OUR MONEY SEPARATE. SO I HAVE TO GET SOME VALET SHIFTS. MY RENT WENT UP MORE THAN \$300. AND I HAVE MEDICAL BILLS. I HAVE CAR INSURANCE.\r\n\r\nI NEED TO LIVE ON THIS ISLAND AND I KNOW THAT I HAVE TO PAY THE PRICE FOR PARADISE, BUT THIS IS HOME NOW. AND I CAN'T GIVE IT UP FOR ANYTHING. I DO REMEMBER AUNTIE, YOU ASKED WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE THE CHANGE TO BE? LOOK AROUND, THIS IS YOUR 'OHANA. THIS IS OUR COMMUNITY, IT'S DISCOURAGING WHEN I KNOW THESE TRAVELERS COME IN, THE PHARMACY TECH TRAVELERS GOT OFFERED \$100 AN HOUR. THEY'RE ALSO BEING PUT UP AT FANCY HOTELS AND GETTING RENTAL CARS AND THEY GET PAID ROOM AND BOARD, BUT THOSE TRAVELERS WILL BE GONE IN THREE MONTHS AND YOU WILL STILL HAVE US. WE'RE THE ONES THAT CARE.\r\n\r\nWE ARE THE ONES THAT WANT TO BE HERE. WE WANT TO SAVE THIS ISLAND, BUT IF I HAVE TO WORK TWO JOBS JUST TO LIVE, IT'S HARD TO CONCENTRATE, BECAUSE I HAD TO WORRY ABOUT -- >> 30 SECONDS. >> WHERE I AM GOING TO LIVE AFTER THIS? WHAT DOES CRAIGSLIST SAY TODAY AND TO LOOK AT WHAT THEY ARE SUPPLYING US WITH AND IT'S JUST NOT ENOUGH. >> THANK YOU. MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TO TESTIFIER IS EUGENA VALERIA, FOLLOWED BY ROBIN KNOX . >> GOOD MORNING EVERYONE. I'M EUGENIA VALERIA, CAREGIVER IN MAUI HOSPITAL. I HAVE BEEN THERE WORKING FOR 16 YEARS. WE'RE THE FIRST TO TAKE CARE OF OUR 'OHANA DURING PANDEMIC. IT'S SO HARD BREAKING THAT -- WORKING IN THE HOSPITAL, WORK SO HARD, RISK THEIR LIFE AND HEALTH TO WORK OUR 'OHANA HAS BEEN NOW IN THIS SITUATION ME AND MY FAMILY WE HAVE HAVE HAD THAT SICKNESS. WE HAVE COVID, JUST BECAUSE WHEN WE ARE WORKING IN THE HOSPITAL, WE ARE TOLD NOT TO WEAR THE MASKS.\r\n\r\nTHEY DON'T LET US WEAR MASKS, AND SO FROM THE PATIENT THAT I CARE, I WAS HAVING MY PATIENT COUGHING IN MY FACE BECAUSE THE PATIENT COULDN'T EAT BY HIMSELF. I GOT COVID AND THE SAD THING ABOUT IT, MY HUSBAND ALMOST DIED BECAUSE OF IT, BECAUSE OF CARING FOR MY PATIENTS, AND PASSED ALSO TO MY DAUGHTER. HE IS SUPPOSED TO BE CELEBRATING HIS 18TH BIRTHDAY DAY AND DURING COVID, WE'RE ALL IN OUR HOUSE, NO CELEBRATION, NOTHING. WE ARE JUST STAYING IN THE HOUSE. JUST TO TAKE CARE OF OUR PEOPLE, WHO GOT SICK FROM US. SO IT'S HEARTBREAKING THAT DURING THAT PANDEMIC, WE WORKED WITHOUT HAZARD PAYMENT, AND

WE'RE STILL THERE TO TAKE CARE OF OUR 'OHANA. IT'S SO SAD AFTER ALL OUR HARD WORK, THE MANAGEMENT DOESN'T SEE IT.\r\n\r\nIT'S HEARTBREAKING THAT ALL OUR EFFORTS AND OUR HARD WORK, THE CARE THAT WE PUT FOR OUR PATIENTS HAS NEVER BEEN SEEN BY OUR MANAGEMENT. THE PATIENTS ARE THE ONES FIGHTING FOR US AND WE'RE ALL THANKFUL TO OUR COMMUNITY, TO ALL OF THE PEOPLE THAT GAVE US SUPPORT FROM THIS FIGHT. THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH. >> THANK YOU. MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. CLARIFYING QUESTION.\r\n\r\nSO NO ONE GOT HAZARD PAY, EVEN IF THEY GOT COVID? >> THEY TOOK THAT AWAY FROM US WITHOUT OUR KNOWING. EVERYONE THAT HAS SUPPORT FROM THE GOVERNMENT, BUT FOR THE CAREGIVERS IN THE HOSPITAL, WE DON'T HAVE IT. IT'S SO SAD? >> I ASSUME THE HOSPITALS GOT PPE AND COVID MONIES, BUT YOU DIDN'T GET COVID HAZARD PAY. >> NO. >> EVEN IF YOU GOT COVID.\r\n\r\nI WANT TO THANK YOU, AUNTIE FOR YOUR BRAVERY AND SERVICE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> THANK YOU. >> I HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS, CHAIR. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. M THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS ROBIN KNOX, TESTIFYING ON 23-105, FOLLOWED BY DEBORAH VIAL. >> GOOD MORNING, CHAIR, GOOD MORNING COUNCIL >> GOOD MORNING. >> I WANT TO TESTIFY ON THIS RESOLUTION ABOUT SUPPORTING THE HOSPITAL WORKERS. THANK YOU, MEMBER JOHNSON, FOR BRINGING IT FORWARD. I URGE YOU ALL TO UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORT IT. I HAD A LOVED ONE IN THE HOSPITAL DURING COVID. THEY DID NOT HAVE COVID, BUT THEY WERE ON THE VENTILATOR TWICE.\r\n\r\nSO WE'RE DEFINITELY SUPPORTED BY SOME OF THE PEOPLE THAT ARE IN THE POSITIONS THAT HAVE BEEN SPEAKING TO YOU TODAY. THE SAME FAMILY MEMBERS CURRENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL, AND NEEDED TO MAKE A DECISION ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT TO HAVE SURGERY? AND SADLY, THAT DECISION WAS INFLUENCED BY THE QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT THE OPERATING ROOM WOULD BE ADEQUATELY CLEANED? AND MY LOVED ONE ASKED ME, CAN I GO TO ANOTHER HOSPITAL? AND THE ANSWER WAS NO, BECAUSE OUR COMMUNITY IS HELD HOSTAGE BY A MONOPOLY THAT IS HELD BY A FOR-PROFIT HEALTH CARE COMPANY. SO THIS IS AN INHERENTLY DANGEROUS, HAZARDOUS SITUATION FOR OUR COMMUNITY. I APPRECIATE YOU BRINGING FORTH THIS RESOLUTION, BUT I ALSO URGE YOU TO DO EVERYTHING IN YOUR POWER TO BRING US MORE OPTIONS TO EITHER CONTROL THIS MONOPOLY BETTER, OR TO HAVE OTHER OPTIONS FOR OUR PEOPLE TO GO TO.\r\n\r\nIN ADDITION CONSIDER THIS MIGHT BE AN ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR COUNTY AS WELL. WE'RE ALL HEARING HOW WORKERS ARE BEING BROUGHT IN FROM OFF-ISLAND, AND PAID MORE. WHEREAS, OUR PEOPLE WHO LIVE HERE, WHO PROVIDE THESE SERVICES AREN'T BEING TAKEN CARE OF. SO IF WE CAN BREAK OPEN THIS MONOPOLY, AND MAKE THIS A MORE FAIR MARKET, WE CAN ALSO OFFER ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY TO THESE DEDICATED PEOPLE, WHO ARE IN SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY. SO I URGE YOU TO VOTE UNANIMOUSLY FOR THIS RESOLUTION, AND TO ALSO DO EVERYTHING ELSE IN YOUR POWER TO CHANGE THIS SITUATION. MAHALO. >> >> THANK YOU, QUESTIONS, MEMBERS?\r\n\r\nIF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS DEBORAH, TESTIFYING ON COMMITTEE REPORT 23-13, FOLLOWED BY PAULSON MCCOMBER. >> HI. CAN YOU HEAR ME? THIS IS DEB VIAL. >> YES. >> MY NAME IS DEBORAH VIAL, HERE TO -- I APPLIED TO BE ON THE BOARD OF VARIANCES AND APPEALS.\r\n\r\nFIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO THANK THE CHAIR AND COMMITTEE FOR SEEING ALL THIS STUFF, CONSIDERING HOW THE GRAVITY OF THESE OTHER SITUATIONS, I FEEL KIND OF TRITE TO DISCUSS THIS. I PUT IN MY APPLICATION. SO SINCE THEN, MY ADDRESS WAS CHANGED AND I HAVEN'T BEEN RECEIVING ANY INCOMING INFORMATION ABOUT THIS. BUT FORTUNATELY, I WAS PERFORMING AT IN KIHEI AND FOUND OUT I WAS UP FOR THIS POSITION. I WAS BEEN HERE 19 YEARS. I HAVE LIVED ALL OVER MAUI, KIHEI, KULA, AND NOW HAIKU. I HAVE LIVED IN EVERY POSSIBLE ZONING, I THINK, AND THAT IS WHAT THIS POSITION IS REFERRING TO.\r\n\r\nI'M ON AGRICULTURAL LAND, I'M A REALTOR WITH SOUTHERBY'S, WHICH IS GREAT, BECAUSE I ENJOY THE LEGISLATIVE SIDE AND ALL OF THE INFORMATION. I ENJOY READING CONTRACTS. BUT MY COMMUNITY ACTIVITY, I'M A SINGER. I WAS IN THE WILLIE K'S BLUE FEST EVERY YEAR AND WON THE NAHO'OK AWARD IN 2015. THAT IS WHAT I DO, BUT IN ORDER TO HAVE MY DAY GIG, I'M A REALTOR. THAT IS ALL I CAN OFFER, I LIKE READING CONTRACTS AND I ENJOY THE IDEA OF LEARNING. MY BROKER WAS THE ONE THAT WAS ADVOCATING THAT I GET INVOLVED IN COUNTY BUSINESS, BECAUSE HE THOUGHT IT WAS SOMETHING THAT I WOULD EXCEL IN AND ENJOY. I'M HERE FOR THE EDUCATION AND BECAUSE I

WANT TO PARTICIPATE.\r\n\r\nTHANKS. >> THANK YOU. MEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK FOR YOUR TESTIMONY AND WILLINGNESS TO SERVE. I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY, YOU ONLY HAD HEARD ABOUT THIS NOMINATE LAST NIGHT? >> YES, I DID.\r\n\r\nTYPICALLY MAUI. >> TO BELIEVE IN THE COMMITTEE THAT EACH OF THE NOMINEES WERE VETTED BY THE NEW ADMINISTRATION'S NOMINATION COMMITTEE, AND QUALIFICATIONS. SO THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN? >> NO. I HAVE SUBMITTED THIS IN 2020 AND WAS TOLD THAT I WAS GOING TO BE SENT UP FOR APPROVAL NEXT TIME -- I GOT AN EMAIL BACK IN 2020, SAYING THAT NEXT TIME THERE WAS AN OPENING, THAT I WOULD GET NOTIFIED. AND SUBSEQUENTLY IN THE LAST THREE YEARS, I HAVE BEEN DIVORCED AND I DO NOT HAVE THAT ADDRESS, OR ANY OF THE SAME PHONE NUMBER. SO I JUST FORTUITOUSLY HEARD ABOUT THIS.\r\n\r\n>> YOU'RE FAMILIAR WITH THE BOARD OF VARIANCES AND APPEALS HOW OFTEN THEY MEET AND HAVE YOU WATCHED ANY OF THE MEETINGS? >> I WONDER IF SHE IS FROZEN? >> I GUESS I'LL YIELD. >> IS SHE STILL ON THE CALL? >> MAYBE SHE'LL COME BACK. MEANWHILE, LET'S TAKE ANOTHER TESTIFIER. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS PAULSON MCCOMBER, FOLLOWED BY PEARLA PERGOD.\r\n\r\n>> HELLO, MY NAME IS PAULSON MCCOMBER, AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT LORI. I HAVE BEEN HOMELESS FOR ALMOST TWO DECADES WITH STATE AND FEDERAL RESOURCES. SO I WAS ENCOUNTERED AT THE RIVER. I ENTERED THE PROJECT AND GOT CONNECTED TO MEDICAL AND RESOURCES. ACCESS TO HOUSING AND MY DISABILITY WAS DOCUMENTED THIS PROGRAM REALLY WORKS FOR ME. I WAS HOMELESS FOR ALMOST TWO DECADES, AND I DON'T KNOW WHERE I WOULD BE TODAY? I'M DOING PRETTY GOOD TODAY NOW, THANK YOU.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? I SEE NO HANDS. THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT.\r\n\r\n>> >> CHAIR, NEXT TESTIFIER IS PEARLA TESTIFYING ON RESOLUTION 23-105, FOLLOWED BY KALANI WERNER. >> GOOD MORNING EVERYONE. ALREADY GOOD AFTERNOON TO ALL. MY NAME IS PERLA PARGOD A HOUSEKEEPING AIDE AT THE MAUI HOSPITAL, THE ONLY ACUTE HOSPITAL IN MAUI. I SUBMITTED MY TESTIMONY, BUT MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO CAME TO GIVE ORAL TESTIMONY ARE ALL IN MEDICAL SIDE, AND THEY'RE ALL TECHS. THEY'RE NURSE AIDES, PHARMACY TECHS. THERE IS NONE ON THE NON-MEDICAL.\r\n\r\nSO I COME TO YOU, TO HEAR MY TESTIMONY AS I REPRESENT THE NON-MEDICAL SIDE. THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, WHICH IS COMPOSED OF THE HOUSEKEEPING AND THE LAUNDRY WORKERS, AND THE KITCHEN WORKERS. YOU KNOW, NOT ONLY DOCTORS, NURSES, NURSES AIDES, PHARMACIES AND ALL OF THE TECHS THAT TESTIFIED ARE CONSIDERED HEALTH CARE WORKERS. WE, TOO, THE HOUSEKEEPERS, THE LAUNDRY WORKERS, THE COOKS, THE KITCHEN WORKERS ARE CONSIDERED HEALTH CARE WORKERS ESPECIALLY IF WE WORK IN A HOSPITAL, WHICH IS CONSIDERED A HEALTH CARE FACILITY. THE COOKS, THE KITCHEN WORKERS PREPARE THE FOOD FOR THE PATIENTS. THE LAUNDRY WORKERS, THEY WASH THE LINENS. THE SOILED LINENS USED BY THE PATIENTS.\r\n\r\nWE, THE HOUSEKEEPERS, WE CLEAN ALL, ESPECIALLY PATIENTS' ROOMS. IF A PATIENT HAS A CLEAN ENVIRONMENT, GOOD FOOD TO EAT, THESE ALL WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR FAST RECOVERY, BECAUSE IF A PATIENT HAS ALL OF THOSE SERVICES, THEY WILL FEEL HAPPY. THEY WILL BE MOTIVATED ENOUGH TO HELP THEMSELVES RECOVER FASTER. AND THEY WILL GO HOME EARLIER TO THEIR 'OHANA. BUT SINCE WE STARTED THE STRIKE LAST FEBRUARY '22, ALL OF THOSE BASIC WORKERS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO PATIENT'S CARE, AND LIKE I SAID, THEIR RECOVERY FROM ILLNESS, ARE OUT IN THE STREET, CRYING OUTLOUD. TO GET WHAT WE CALL CONTRACT. A HOUSEKEEPER NOT ONLY CLEANS A PATIENT'S ROOM.\r\n\r\nWE ALSO CLEAN COMMON AREAS, LIKE THE RESTROOM AND EVERYTHING, THE HALLWAYS, TO MAKE THE HOSPITAL LOOK NICE, AND GOOD. AND ALSO THE LAUNDRY WORKERS, THEY ONLY -- THEY NOT ONLY CLEAN AND WASH ALL OF THE SOILED LINENS, THEY DELIVER TO ALL UNITS CAN YOU CONCLUDE, PLEASE? >> I CONCLUDE MY STATEMENT THAT WE HOUSEKEEPERS, LAUNDRY WORKERS, AND COOKS AND KITCHEN WORKERS OUR HARD WORK WAS NEVER RECOGNIZED. THEY NEVER, LIKE WHAT EVERYBODY SAID, WE WORKED HARD DURING THE PANDEMIC. WE RISKED OUR LIVES SERVING THE PATIENTS OF THE HOSPITAL, AND YET, WE WEREN'T NEVER RECOGNIZED. WE NEVER GET THE HAZARD PAY. THAT IS ALL I CAN SAY, AND I HOPE ALL OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND HOPING AND PRAYING THAT YOU WILL PASS THIS RESOLUTION AUTHORED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GABE JOHNSON, WHO WAS THE FIRST TO COME AND SEE HOW ARE WE DOING IN OUR STRIKING GROUND?\r\n\r\nAND WE THANK HIM FOR HIS LOVE AND CARE TO

US, JUST LIKE WE GIVE OUR CARE TO THE PATIENTS OF THE HOSPITAL. >> THANK YOU. >> I CONCLUDE AGAIN, ONCE AGAIN, AND SAY THAT CLEANLINESS IS NEXT TO GODLINESS. AND LOVE IS LIKE LINEN OFTEN CHANGED THE SWEETER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. HAVE A GOOD DAY. DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS?\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. GOOD JOB. >> THANK YOU. >> ANY QUESTIONS? MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MS.\r\n\r\nPARAGON. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. I REALLY APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU FOR BEING BRAVE ON THE LINE. >> THANK YOU. >> DURING COVID, I KNOW YOU DIDN'T GET HAZARD PAY, BUT DID YOUR WORKLOAD INCREASE? >> YES, SIR.\r\n\r\nWHY? BECAUSE OF THOSE COVID PATIENTS THAT -- EVERYTHING THEY USE IS CONSIDERED ISOLATION. SO WE SEPARATE LIKE THE LAUNDRY WORKERS SEPARATE THOSE AND WE HOUSEKEEPERS, WE ALSO, WHEN WE CLEAN THE ROOM, AN ISOLATION ROOM, WE HAVE TO TERMINAL CLEAN AND TO REMOVE THE CURTAINS AND REMOVE THE COLLECTORS. YOU HAVE TO DO -- THE WALLS. YOU KNOW HOW TALL I AM, BUT WE USE THE SPECIAL TOOLS TO REACH. THOSE ARE EXTRA JOBS FOR US. >> SO ALL OF THE EXTRA JOBS, GETTING COMPENSATION FOR THAT, IS THIS YOUR ONLY JOB?\r\n\r\n>> ACTUALLY, I AM A CERTIFIED NURSE AIDE AND DO WORK FOR FOSTER CARE, BUT ONLY DO THAT DURING MY DAYS OFF, BECAUSE I'M TAKING CARE OF MY 80-YEAR-OLD MOTHER. >> I BELIEVE ONE JOB IS ENOUGH. DO YOU BELIEVE ONE JOB SHOULD BE ENOUGH? >> NO, SIR. IN THIS BEAUTIFUL ISLAND OF MAUI, THEY CALL PARADISE, I DON'T KNOW? INFLATION RAISED TO 9%, IT'S NOT ENOUGH, SIR. BECAUSE WE HOUSEKEEPERS, COOKS, LAUNDRY WORKERS DON'T EVEN GET \$20 AN HOUR RATE.\r\n\r\nJUST IMAGINE GOING TO CRAIGSLIST, I THINK A HOUSE CLEANER GETS \$25-26. HOUSEKEEPERS IN THE HOTEL GET \$26 IS THE LOWEST. >> THEY PAY YOU MORE TO CLEAN A HOTEL THAN THEY WOULD PAY YOU TO CLEAN A HOSPITAL ROOM. >> YES. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS. >> THANK YOU SO MUCH. HAVE A GOOD DAY EVERYONE.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. MS. CLERK. >> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. DEBORAH VIAL SAID SHE WILL BE AVAILABLE WHEN THE BOARD AND COMMISSIONS NOMINATIONS ARE BROUGHT UP. KALANI WERNER. >> MADAM CHAIR, COUNCIL, FAMILY IN THE CHAMBERS.\r\n\r\nI THOUGHT IT WAS ONLY PROPER THAT I COME OUT AND SHARE MY SIDE OF THE STORY HOW WE CAME TO THIS CROSSROAD AND IT GOES KIND OF WITH HISTORY. I WANT TO SWITCH TO PRIVATIZATION, AND THE KAISER TOOK OVER AND THE CONTRACT FROM STATE WORKERS WAS RIPPED APART. PEOPLE WERE BEING PAID LESS THAN THE NEW PEOPLE COMING IN. THE HAZARD PAY IN THE CONTRACT WAS RIPPED AWAY. AND THIS IS THE FIRST CONTRACT THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO NEGOTIATE SOME OF THOSE TERMS BACK INTO IT. TO BE ABLE TO FIGHT FOR WHAT THEY FELT WAS JUST ENOUGH TO SURVIVE ON MAUI. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH AT HIS OPENING-DAY AT THE LEG SALARY AND THE HOUSEHOLD SHOULD BE ENOUGH FOR THAT HOUSEHOLD TO SURVIVE.\r\n\r\nBUT THAT IS NOT WHAT WE HAVE WITH THIS EMPLOYER. LAST TIME I CAME IN FRONT OF YOU FOLKS I EXPLAINED HOW UNION AND EMPLOYER SHOULD HAVE A RELATIONSHIP THAT YOU CAN COME TO A RESOLUTION. THAT IS NOT WHAT WE HAVE. THEY KEEP BELITTLING THE MEMBERS AND TAKING ADVANTAGE AND I CAN'T COMPARE TO BIG FIVE AND CLOSEST I CAN COMPARE IT TO PLANTATION, WHERE THEY ARE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE WORKERS DAY AND DAY OUT, AND BECAUSE OF THAT'S PEOPLE'S BIG HEARTS THAT CARE FOR THE PATIENTS AND LOVE PATIENTS AND KEEP COMING BACK TO WORK IN UNBELIEVABLE WORK CONDITIONS, POOR CONDITIONS DAY IN AND DAY OUT AND STILL MAKE THE SACRIFICE, HOLDING DOWN 2-3 JOBS TO SURVIVE IN THE COST OF MAUI, WHICH IS NOT THE CHEAPEST IN THE STATE. THAT IS JUST WHAT IT IS. HOW DO THEY RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM? THEY BRING IN MORE WORKERS FROM THE MAINLAND TO WORK OUR JOBS AT A HIGHER RATE.\r\n\r\nNONE OF THAT MONEY STAYING HERE IN THE STATE. IT'S ALL GOING BACK OVER TO THE U.S.. NOTHING IS COME BACK INTO THE FAMILY, AND THE SLOGAN IS OUR COMMUNITIES, BUT THE WORKERS HAVE FROM EL PASO, BAKERSFIELD, NEW YORK, NOT FROM THE COMMUNITY. NOT CARING FOR SOMEONE AND ASKING IF THEY ARE WORKLOAD DURING THE PANDEMIC INCREASED? YES, THE AMOUNT OF PRECAUTIONS WITH CHANGING BEDS AND THE AMOUNT OF EXTRA CARE TO TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES BEFORE EVEN ENTERING THE ROOM HAD TO BE IDENTIFIED. POLICIES WAS BEING CHANGED AND UPDATED DAILY DURING COVID, AND NO COMPENSATION OR REPRICING WAS DONE DURING THAT TIME. MONEY CAME FROM FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, BUT NOTHING WENT DOWN. AND THAT WAS THE BIGGEST PROBLEM WE SAW AT THE FEDERAL-LEVEL, THE WATCHDOGS WEREN'T IN PLACE AND ENTITIES LIKE THAT

TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE SITUATION, THAT THEY HAVE BEEN DOING THIS ALL-TIME WITH THE EMPLOYEES OF MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM.\r\n\r\nIT'S A SIMPLE THING, YOU NEGOTIATE, YOU GIVE AN OFFER AND OFFER BACK AND WE CONTINUE. IT'S NOT THE RESOLUTION WHERE YOU SIT DOWN, I GIVE YOU AN OFFER AND YOU WALK AWAY. >> 30 SECONDS. >> OH, WISH I HAD MORE THAN 30. BUT THAT IS HOW WE RESOLVE THIS. THIS IS A BIGGER PROBLEM THAN WHAT WE HAVE HERE IN THIS COUNTY, FOR YOU FOLKS. THIS IS YOU FOLKS GOING BACK TO YOUR FAMILIES AND YOUR COMMUNITIES, AND GETTING THEM TO PUSH THE LEG ON ALL THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE IN THAT HOSPITAL, TO SEE WHERE THE MONEY GOES? TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS?\r\n\r\nWHEN PEOPLE COME IN FROM THE MAINLAND AND GET PAID A HIGHER RATE, THE PERSON WORKING IN THE JOB SHOULD GET THE SAME RATE. MORE IMPORTANTLY, THEY SHOULD BE PAYING HIGHER TAX BECAUSE I GUARANTEE TAXES ARE GOING BACK TO THE MAINLAND. KEEP HAWAII JOBS AND HAWAII MONEY IN HAWAII INTO THE FAMILIES, INTO THE SYSTEM. THAT IS HOW WE RESOLVE THIS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. >> MEMBERS, QUESTIONS? >> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.\r\n\r\n>> GOOD TO SEE YOU. THANK YOU. >> CHAIR, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS LORNA, FOLLOWED BY ANN KAPALI. >> ALOHA. >> DO YOU HAVE ANOTHER DEVICE ON? >> GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS LORNA, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF LORI TSUHAKO. I HAVE BEEN HOUSELESS FOR FOUR YEARS SINCE 2018. MY DAD DID HAVE A HOUSE HERE, BUT HE LOST IT DUE TO FORECLOSURE.\r\n\r\nTHEY HAD FIRST APPROACHED ME IN AND I MOVED INTO THE PALETTE HOMES BEFORE BEING HOUSED IN AUGUST. NOW I HAVE MORE STABILITY. I HAVE A ROOF OVER MY HEAD AND DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT BREAKING INTO MY THINGS, WHERE PEOPLE WERE LOSING A LOT OF THINGS. OTHER PEOPLE MAY THINK THAT OUR THINGS ARE NOT IMPORTANT, BUT TO US, THEY ARE. BECAUSE THAT IS ALL WE HAVE. I'M A SINGLE MOTHER OF A SOLDIER, WHO HAS BEEN SERVING OUR COUNTRY THE PAST 16 YEARS. HE IS CURRENTLY SERVING IN GERMANY.\r\n\r\nI'M ABOUT TO TAKE A TRIP TO GERMANY SOON. I JUST GOT MY PASSPORT, SO I CAN VISIT MY TWO GRANDDAUGHTERS. ONE BORN IN GERMANY WHILE THEY HAVE BEEN HERE. I'M A SINGLE MOTHER WHO RAISED HIM AND NOW HE SERVES OUR COUNTRY. I SUPPORT THIS BILL, AND I SUPPORT LORI AND ALL HER WORKERS. AND I APPRECIATE EVERYTHING THAT THEY HAVE DONE FOR, I'M GRATEFUL AND THANKFUL AND THANKS FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO TESTIFY. AND HOPEFULLY YOU WILL MAKE THE RIGHT DECISIONS.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU SO MUCH. MAHALO NUI LOA. >> THANK YOU, GREAT TESTIMONY. ANYBODY HAVE A QUESTION? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH >> NEXT TESTIFIER TESTIFYING ON 20-105, FOLLOWED BY JOHN PHOENIX. >> REPEAT DO YOU SEE HIM? OKAY.\r\n\r\nHI. HELLO. YOU CAN SPEAK NOW. >> I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S WRONG WITH MY COMPUTER? >> MS. PICATHLEY, ARE YOU ABLE TO TESTIFY? WE'LL COME BACK TO YOU, MS.\r\n\r\nPICATHLEY. THE NEXT TESTIFIER, JOHN ERIC. JOHN ERIC PHOENIX. MS. CLERK, HOW MANY MORE TESTIFIERS DO WE HAVE? BECAUSE WE NEED TO TAKE A LUNCH BREAK. >> INCLUDING MS.\r\n\r\nPICATHLEY, FIVE. >> JUST FINISH. >> OKAY. >> IT LOOKS LIKE JOHN ERIC PHOENIX MAY BE TESTIFYING FROM THE SAME LOCATION AS LORENA MALIA, SO YOU MAY NEED TO SWITCH PLACES. LET'S GO TO JOANNA OVIEDO, TESTIFYING ON COMMITTEE REPORT 23-9. >> AGAIN. >> JOANNA OVIEDO. >> LET'S MOVE ON.\r\n\r\n>> OKAY, THE NEXT TESTIFIER IS NICOLE GLASSEN KOON TESTIFYING ON 23-9. WE'LL CALL THE TESTIFIER JACOB CARTON, TESTIFYING ON COMMITTEE REPORT 23-105. >> ALOHA, MY NAME IS JACOB CARTON FROM SANDHILLS. CAN YOU HEAR ME? >> YES. >> THANK YOU. I'M TESTIFYING IN SUPPORT OF THE RESOLUTION BEFORE THE COUNCIL. AND I WANT TO EXPRESS MY CONCERN ABOUT THE KAISER FOUNDATION'S PRACTICES OF EXTRACTING SO MUCH FROM OUR COMMUNITY. I KNOW FROM SPENDING SOME TIME ON PICKET LINES, BOTH OF THE WORKERS NOW, AND ALSO THE MENTAL HEALTH WORKERS, THAT THIS IS A COMPANY THAT HAS \$58 BILLION IN RESERVE RIGHT NOW.\r\n\r\nTHEY PAY THEIR CEO \$18 MILLION A YEAR. THEY CLEARLY HAVE THE RESOURCES TO SHARE WITH OUR COMMUNITY, AND BE FAIR IN THIS SITUATION. I'M CONCERNED BECAUSE THE WORKERS WHO DO THE WORK RIGHT NOW ON THE PICKET LINE ARE THE FRONT LINE OF INFECTION CONTROL IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND THEY ARE -- THEY MAY BE PAID POORLY, BUT THEY ARE ESSENTIAL AND VERY IMPORTANT TO US. AND THIS COMPANY, KAISER, NEEDS TO RESPECT THE FACT THAT IF THEY COME TO OUR COMMUNITY, AND SIGN A CONTRACT TO PROVIDE HEALTH CARE, THEY NEED TO PROVIDE REAL HEALTH CARE FOR ALL OF US, NOT JUST TO COME HERE AND MAKE MONEY AND CALL THEMSELVES A NONPROFIT. IT IS VERY UPSETTING TO ME THAT THE COUNTY HAS NOT STEPPED

UP MORE TO INVESTIGATE, AND INSPECT THIS HOSPITAL RIGHT NOW FOR WHAT MUST BE A REAL PROBLEM INSIDE IN TERMS OF INFECTION CONTROL, IN TERMS OF CLEANLINESS, IN TERMS OF PROVIDING THE HEALTH CARE THAT WE ALL DESERVE, THAT USE OUR TAX DOLLARS. SO I CALL UPON THE COUNTY TO SUPPORT THIS RESOLUTION AND TAKE A STEP FURTHER AND INVESTIGATE AND INSTRUCT YOUR COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, OUR COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AND REALLY WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE STATE TO FIND OUT WHAT'S REALLY GOING ON INSIDE THIS HOSPITAL?

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY, HONORABLE COUNCIL MEMBERS. >> THANK YOU. QUESTIONS, MEMBERS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT TESTIFIER, PLEASE. >> CHAIR, WE'LL TRY TO GO BACK TO TESTIFIER ANN PITCATHLEY, AND IF YOU UNMUTE ON YOUR END. >> CAN YOU HEAR ME?

>> YES. >> ALOHA. I'M GIVING TESTIMONY ON 23-105. URGING THE RESOLUTION OF THE LABOR DISPUTE. I'M A RETIRED RN. I WORKED AT MAUI MEMORIAL FOR TEN YEARS. AND I RECOGNIZE SOME OF THESE PEOPLE THAT ARE GIVING TESTIMONY TODAY, AND I KNOW THAT THEY MAKE UP THE HARD-WORKING WORKFORCE THERE AT THE HOSPITAL. WE OFTEN REFER TO WORKING AT THE HOSPITAL AS BEING IN THE TRENCHES.

THAT WAS REALLY A COMMON REFERENCE. THESE HEALTH CARE EMPLOYEES ARE FACED WITH HIGHER ACUITY NOW MORE THAN EVER. A LOT OF THAT IS DUE TO THEIR COMORBIDITIES, AGING AND OTHER FACTORS. SO STAFFING IS OFTEN NOT ADJUSTED FOR THAT, AND SO YOU HAVE A POTENTIALLY PATIENTS WHO ARE UNSTABLE AND IMMEDIATE MORE MONITORING. THEIR PAY IS NOT COMMISERATE WITH INFLATION AND ALSO NOT COMPARED WITH WHAT HEALTH CARE WORKERS ARE PAID IN THE MAINLAND OR HONOLULU. THEY HAVEN'T RECEIVED WAGES FOR MANY YEARS AND OF COURSE, THIS AFFECT THE QUALITY AND SAFETY OF WORKERS AT THE HOSPITAL RIGHT NOW. SO ALSO THERE'S DEMAND TO HAVE THEM WORK BACK-TO-BACK.

SO SOME ARE WORKING 16-HOUR SHIFTS AND ACTUALLY THERE FOR 17 HOURS, INCLUDE BREAKS. THAT IS NOT SAFE. THAT IS A DANGEROUS SITUATION. SO IT'S A RISK TO PATIENT SAFETY. I JUST WANT TO SAY THIS IS A CRISIS THAT HAS TO BE RESOLVED. THANK YOU. >> MEMBERS, ANY QUESTIONS?

IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT. >> WE'RE GOING TO GO BACK TO TESTIFIER JOHN ERIC PHOENIX, WHO HAS SIGNED UP AS GUEST NO. 1. MR. PHOENIX, WHEN YOU BEGIN TESTIMONY, GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE AND PLEASE CLARIFY WHICH ITEM YOU ARE TESTIFYING ON? WE'LL GO TO TESTIFIER JOANNA OVIEDO, TESTIFYING ON COMMITTEE REPORT 23-9. . NEXT. WE'LL GO TO TESTIFIER NICOLE GLASSEN KOON, SIGNED AS GUEST NO. 2, TESTIFYING ON COMMITTEE REPORT 23-9 PLEASE UNMUTE ON YOUR END. >> HI. MY NAME IS NICOLE GLASSEN KOON. I'M A CASE MANAGER FOR THE FAMILY CENTER AND HERE TO TESTIFY ON BEHALF OF LORI TSUHAKO. BECAUSE OF THE PROGRAMS THAT LORI HAS IMPLEMENTED, OUR PARTICIPANTS HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ACCESS RESOURCES, WHICH WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN HOUSING AND CREATED OPPORTUNITIES THAT ALLOW PARTICIPANTS TO GROW. WE'RE DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE OF HER LEADERSHIP. WE THANK HER SO MUCH FOR EVERYTHING THAT SHE AS DONE.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MEMBERS, ANY QUESTIONS? IF NOT, >> CHAIR, THE LAST TESTIFIER IS JOSIAH NISHITA, TESTIFYING ON ALL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BILL 17. >> >> THREE MINUTES, JOSIAH. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO TESTIFY HERE BEFORE YOU TODAY. MY NAME IS JOSIAH NISHITA, DEPUTY MANAGING DIRECTOR FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI. JUST AS A CLARIFICATION, I WILL JUST BE TESTIFYING ON COMMITTEE REPORTS 23-1-COMMITTEE REPORT 23-12. I KNOW TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE HERE AND YOU HAVE A LOT OF WORK.

SO WE'LL KEEP THINGS BRIEF. BUT WE DO ASK FOR YOUR FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION OF ALL DEPARTMENT HEADS AND REALLY APPRECIATE THE TIME THAT YOU TOOK TO GET TO KNOW FROM THEM, TO HEAR FROM THEM ABOUT FUTURE PRIORITIES AND PLANS, AND ESPECIALLY WE REALLY -- THE RESPECTFULNESS AND PROFESSIONALISM IN WHICH THE HEARINGS TOOK PLACE, AS WELL AS THE REALLY POINTED QUESTIONS THAT YOU HAD IN REGARDS TO COMMUNITY CONCERNS, AND FEEDBACK. SO THANK TO THE COUNCIL FOR THAT PROCESS THAT YOU HAD SET-UP, AS WELL AS THE COMMENTS AND CONCERNS THAT YOU SHARED WITH OUR DIRECTORS THAT WE CAN GET MOVING ON. KEKU AND I ARE EXCITED TO MOVE AHEAD WITH THE COUNCIL AND HOPEFULLY NEWLY APPOINTED DEPARTMENT HEADS AND WORK TOWARDS THE MAYOR'S GOALS, AS WELL AS POLICIES SET BY THE COUNCIL. SO WE ASK FOR YOUR FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION ON THAT. I CAN BE AVAILABLE LATER, IF NEEDED TO FOLLOW-UP ON ANY OF THE SPECIFIC

RESOLUTIONS WHEN THEY COME UP. AS WELL AS WE HAVE OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS HERE TODAY, WHEN THOSE ITEMS ARE CALLED FORWARD.

THE SECOND ITEM TO TESTIFY ON BILL 17 (2023) THIS IS JUST IN REGARDS TO AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR US FOR OUR HGA MEMBERS FOR THEIR HAZARD PAYMENTS. IN FULL DISCLOSURE FOR THE MEMBERS, WE DO HAVE ENOUGH FUNDS RIGHT NOW TO CONTINUE PAYING THROUGH TO ALLOW IF THE COUNCIL WANTED TO HAVE IT REFERRED TO COMMITTEE, AND TO HAVE A COMMITTEE DISCUSSION. WE WOULD HAVE TO HAVE IT SOMEWHAT EXPEDITED AFTER THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSION BEFORE WE WOULD RUN OUT OF FUNDS AND WOULD HAVE TO STOP. SO DEPENDING ON HOW THE COUNCIL WANTS TO PROCEED TODAY, I CAN MAKE MYSELF AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. IF ACTION IS WANTED TO BE TAKEN ON THE FLOOR, OR IF IT'S DETERMINED TO BE REFERRED TO COMMITTEE, WE DO HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO GO THROUGH THAT PROCESS AS WELL AT THIS TIME. I WOULD BE HAPPY TO BE A RESOURCE FOR THAT, AS NEEDED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, CHAIR AND MEMBERS.

>> THANK YOU, QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. >> WE HAVE ANOTHER TESTIFIER, TESTIFYING ON COMMITTEE REPORT 23-9. >> ALOHA, CAN YOU HEAR ME? >> YES. >> OKAY. HI. THIS IS MARNEY FROM WAILUKU.

I WANTED TO URGE THE PASSAGE OF THE RESOLUTION FOR OUR FRONTLINE MEDICAL WORKERS ON STRIKE RIGHT NOW FOR JUST THEIR BASIC QUALITY OF LIFE, AND TO REALLY URGE EVERYONE TO SUPPORT THE WORKERS, NOT ONLY TO PASS THIS RESOLUTION, BUT TO PRESSURE AND MAKE IT CLEAR TO KAISER, WHO IS REALLY OUR ONLY MEDICAL PROVIDER HERE, REALLY THAT OUR PEOPLE OF MAUI COME FIRST. AND THE MULTI-MILLION PROFITS NEED TO TRICKLE DOWN TO OUR MEDICAL WORKER AND OUR COMMUNITIES THAT ARE SERVED SAFELY AND MORE THAN ADEQUATELY, WHICH WE SHOULD BE AND TO MAKE SURE THIS STRIKE IS RESOLVED, AND THAT THOSE WORKERS GET WHAT THEY DESERVE. SO EVERYONE AND ANYONE WHO HAS THE POWER TO INFLUENCE THE OUTCOME OF THIS STRIKE FOR THESE PEOPLE WHO HAVE GIVEN US SO MUCH NEEDS TO ACTIVATE, AND PASS THE RESOLUTION, BUT ALSO HELP TO RESOLVE THIS CRISIS RIGHT NOW. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. QUESTIONS? IF NOT, THANK YOU.

NEXT TESTIFIER J.C. LAU IS MAKING HIS WAY TO THE PODIUM. MR. LAU IS THE LAST TESTIFIER SIGNED UP. IF THERE'S ANY OTHER PERSON WISHING TO TESTIFY AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING PLEASE SIGN UP NOW IN THE CHAT, OR AT THE TABLE OUTSIDE OF THE CHAMBER. MADAM CHAIR, THANKS FOR YOUR TIME, MADAM CHAIR. SINCE THE MAYOR IS HERE, I WOULD LIKE TO PUT A PROPOSAL OUT THERE, MAYBE FOR THE GREAT COMMITTEE FOR MS. UU-HODGINS.

THAT I'M A BIG PROPONENT OF FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND I DON'T KNOW IF THAT WAS IN THE HAWAIIAN CONSTITUTION? , BUT IT'S OFFENSIVE FOR ME TO KEEP HEARING THE WORD "HOMELESS." AND I WOULD USE DOMICILELESS OR UNSHELTERED, ET CETERA, ET CETERA. I WOULD LIKE MS. TSUHAKO IN LIGHT OF THE MEETING WITH THE PROFESSOR FROM UH THEY ARE BRAINWASHING US TO USE THAT WORD, BUT THERE'S NO "HOMELESS" PEOPLE IN MAUI OR ON EARTH TO PUT IT FURTHER. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. >> THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS?

IF NOT, NEXT TESTIFIER. >> MADAM CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY. THIS IS THE LAST CALL FOR TESTIMONY. 3, 2, 1, SEEING NONE, THERE'S NO OTHER TESTIFIERS IN THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING. >> MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO CLOSING PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND ACCEPTING WRITTEN TESTIMONY FOR THE BEGINNING PORTION OF THE MEETING? >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> NO OBJECTIONS.

>> SO ORDERED. I HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT WE CAN TAKE OUR RECESS NOW, AND RESUME WITH THE REST OF THE CALENDAR WHEN WE RETURN. SO DO YOU WANT TO RETURN AT 1:30? 1:30 SOUNDS GOOD. ALL RIGHT. MEETING WILL BE IN RECESS UNTIL 1:30. [ GAVEL ] THANK YOU. [ GAVEL ] WILL THE COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 10TH, PLEASE RECONVENE. MS.

CLERK. >> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AT THIS TIME, PROCEEDING WITH COMMITTEE REPORTS. IN ITEM J ON THE AGENDA. THE FIRST TESTIFIER IS JOANNA OVIEDO, FOLLOWED BY SHALY POE KUA. >> AGAIN, JOANNA OVIEDO, CAN YOU GO AHEAD AND UNMUTE. WE'LL GO ONTO SHALY PAHU KOA, LAST CALL FOR JOANNA SHALY PAHU KOA.

IF YOU ARE ON THE CALL, PLEASE UNMUTE AND COMMENCE TESTIFYING. CHAIR, THERE'S NO RESPONSE. LAST CALL FOR TESTIMONY ON COMMITTEE REPORTS. ANYONE WISHING TO TESTIFY PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF NOW. COUNTDOWN, 3, 2, 1, CHAIR, NO TESTIFIERS FOR COMMITTEE REPORTS. >> MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO CLOSING PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND ACCEPTING WRITTEN TESTIMONY FOR COMMITTEE REPORTS? >> NO OBJECTIONS, CHAIR.

>> SO ORDERED. MS. CLERK, PLEASE



PROCEED. >> CHAIR FROM THE GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE CR23-1, RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-68, CD 1, APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF KEKUHAUPIO AKANA AS MANAGING DIRECTOR. >> MEMBER UU-HODGINS. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTIONS I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE CLERK TO CALL UP CR23-1 THROUGH CR23-8 AND CR23-10 THROUGH 23-12. >> NO OBJECTIONS.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. >> NO OBJECTIONS, SO ORDERED. PLEASE PROCEED. >> CHAIR, CONTINUING WITH COMMITTEE REPORTS, BEFORE YOU THERE ARE CR23-2, RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-69, CD 1 APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF VICTORY J. TAKAYESU AS CORPORATION COUNSEL AND CR23-3, RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-70, CD 1 APPROVING MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF ANDREW MARTIN AS PROSECUTING ATTORNEY CR23-4, RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-71, CD 1, APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF JOHN STUFFLEBEAN AS DIRECTOR OF WATER SUPPLY, CR23-5, RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-72, CD 1, APPROVING MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF SCOTT TERUYA AS DIRECTOR OF FINANCE. CR23-6, RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-73 CD 1 APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF KATHLEEN AOKI AS PLANNING DIRECTOR. 23-7 RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION 23-74, CD 1 APPROVING MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF JORDAN MOLINA AS DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. CR23-8, RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-75, CD 1 APPROVING MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF SHAYNE AGAWA AS DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT.\r\n\r\nCR 23-10, RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-77 CD 1 APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF MARC TAKAMORI AS DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION. CR23-11, RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-45, CD 1, APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF PATRICK MCCALL AS DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION. CR23-12 RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-46, CD 1 APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF ROGERENE KALI ARCE AS DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE. >> I RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF C23-1 THROUGH 8 AND CR23-10 THROUGH CR23-12. >> MOVED AND SECONDED TO ADOPT THE -- APPROVE THE COMMITTEE REPORTS 23-1, THROUGH 8, AND 10 THROUGH 12. DISCUSSION, MEMBER UU-HODGINS. >> THANK YOU, YOUR GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE MET ON FEBRUARY 21ST AND 22ND OF 2023, TO RECOMMEND THE APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF KEKUHAUPIO AKANA AS MANAGING DIRECTOR. VICTORY TAKAYESU AS CORPORATION COUNSEL, ANDREW MARTIN AS PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, JOHN STUFFLEBEAN AS DIRECTOR OF WATER SUPPLY, SCOTT TERUYA AS DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, KATHLEEN AOKI AS DIRECTOR OF PLANNING. JORDAN MOLINA AS DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS.\r\n\r\nSHAYNE AGAWA AS DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT, MARC TAKAMORI AS DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION. PATRICK MCCALL OF DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION AND ROGERENE ARCE AS DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE. THE DEADLINE IS MARCH 13, 2023. YOUR COMMITTEE HEARD FROM THE MAYOR OF HIS REASONS FOR APPOINTING EACH OF THE DEPARTMENT HEADS, YOUR COMMITTEE ALSO INTERVIEWED THE APPOINTEES. YOUR COMMITTEE EXPRESSED UNANIMOUS SUPPORT FOR EACH OF THE APPOINTEES REPRESENTED THEY BE CONFIRMED. I ASK FOR THE MEMBERS' FULL SUPPORT OF MY MOTION. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION? >> NO MORE DISCUSSION?\r\n\r\nVICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. PROUDLY I STAND AND SUPPORT EVERY SINGLE OF THESE DIRECTORS, WHICH IS PART OF MAYOR BISSEN'S ADMINISTRATION. AND HE WAS PRETTY CLEAR AND STRONG AS HE SAT WITH EVERY SINGLE ONE OF HIS DIRECTORS, WHEN WE TALKED TO THEM, AND ASKED THEM QUESTIONS DURING OUR GREAT COMMITTEE MEETING, WHICH I HAVE TO COMMEND ALSO OUR CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE, WHO DID A REALLY GREAT JOB GOING THROUGH DAYS' OF TESTIMONY. BUT I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT THE MAYOR TRULY SUPPORTS HIS NOMINEES AND HE AND KEKU, THEY LOOK LIKE TWO GUARD DOGS WITH THE DIRECTOR IN THE MIDDLE, AS THEY DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING, BUT YOU KNEW THE MAYOR WAS PAYING ATTENTION. BECAUSE WHEN SHANE SINENCI HAD HIS HAND UP, HE WOULD POINT, TELLING THE CHAIR, WE HAVE MORE QUESTIONS, BUT HE WAS VERY, VERY SUPPORTIVE. AND I TOTALLY SUPPORT EVERY SINGLE ONE.\r\n\r\nI'M GRATEFUL THAT I GOT TO WORK WITH, LIKE, MARC TAKAMORI, AND SHAYNE AGAWA DURING THE LAST TERM. I APPRECIATE SCOTT TERUYA, ALL THE REPEATS, BECAUSE THEY ARE DEFINITELY THE QUALITY DIRECTORS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE WORKING WITH. AND I WILL ALSO COMMENT AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME WHEN WE TAKE UP LORI TSUHAKO,

BECAUSE I GUESS YOU'RE JUST BEING SENSITIVE TO WHAT WE HEARD DURING THE COMMITTEE MEETING. SHE IS EXCEPTIONAL. SO I STAND BEHIND ALL OF THEM. I WILL VOTE GLADLY IN STRONG SUPPORT OF ALL OF THESE DIRECTORS. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO REALLY WORKING WITH THEM.\r\n\r\nI THINK WE HAVE A NEW BRAND-NEW BEGINNING. THANK YOU. >> MEMBER KAMA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I, TOO, AM RISING IN SUPREME SUPPORT OF THE MAYOR'S NOMINEES. SINCE COMING THIS TERM, I HAVE MET WITH EVERY ONE OF HIS DIRECTORS AND JUST SPEAKING WITH THEM AS THEY ARE SPEAKING ABOUT WHAT THEIR GOALS AND WHAT THEIR VISIONS AND VALUES ARE, IT IS JUST LINES UP WITH OUR VALUES HERE, TOO. IT JUST FEELS SO SWEET, REALLY SWEET TO BE ABLE TO BE WORKING WITH DIRECTORS SUCH AS THESE, AND THE TEAM THAT MAYOR BISSEN HAS PUT TOGETHER.\r\n\r\nSO I'M VERY PROUD TO SUPPORT THIS RESO. THANK YOU. MEMBER SINENCI. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO SUPPORT MAYOR BISSEN'S APPOINTMENTS TO HIS DEPARTMENT HEADS. I DID MEET WITH MOST OF THEM, AND OF ALL OF THEM, I SPOKE TO, THEY UNDERSTAND THE CHALLENGES OF EACH DEPARTMENT AS FAR AS SHORTAGES, AND SUPPORT OF THEIR ONE OF THEIR PRIORITIES IS TO PROMOTE AND TO FILL THOSE EMPTY POSITIONS. SO I WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THEM IN THAT REGARD.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU. ANYONE ELSE? MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I RISE IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION AND I APPRECIATE COUNCIL MEMBER UU-HODGINS WORK SHE DID AND I WANT TO THANK THE MAYOR FOR GIVING US EXCELLENT, EXCELLENT CANDIDATES. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THEM, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO THEIR VISIONS AND HOPEFULLY, WE CAN SEE EYE-TO-EYE ON A LOT OF THINGS AND MOVE FORWARD.\r\n\r\nMAHALO, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU. ANYONE ELSE? IF NOT, MEMBER COOK. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THE ADMINISTRATION AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCH WORKING COLLABORATIVELY FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL THE PEOPLE. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nANYONE ELSE? MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ? >> MAHALO CHAIR. I SPEAK IN STRONG SUPPORT OF THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR. I, TOO, WILL COMMEND MEMBER UU-HODGINS FOR HER FACILITATION OF OUR MEETINGS. SHE DID IT VERY SMOOTHLY, VERY FAIRLY, AND I APPRECIATE HER HARD WORK IN MAKING THAT AS PAINLESS AS POSSIBLE FOR EVERYONE INVOLVED. I APPRECIATE, AND I EXTEND DEEP MAHALO TO THE MAYOR FOR HIS NOMINEES.\r\n\r\nTHIS IS ONLY THE SECOND TIME IN MAUI COUNTY HISTORY THAT WE HAVE CONDUCTED THIS CONFIRMATION PROCESS. AND PART OF THIS CONFIRMATION PROCESS IS TO ENSURE GOOD GOVERNANCE BY MAKING SURE THAT THOSE THAT ARE IN LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN THE ADMINISTRATION, IN THE DEPARTMENTS, ARE NOT -- ARE QUALIFIED, AND ARE NOT GIVEN THESE POSITIONS AS POLITICAL FAVORS. THROUGH THE CONFIRMATION PROCESS, I HOPE IT WAS CLEAR TO THE PUBLIC AS IT WAS TO US, IT'S NOT POLITICAL FAVORS. THAT THE INDIVIDUALS THAT CAME BEFORE US ARE NOT ONLY QUALIFIED, BUT THEY'RE SO PASSIONATE ABOUT THE WORK THAT THEY DO AND ABOUT THE SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY. AND I'M ALSO VERY EXCITED ABOUT WORKING WITH EACH OF THEM, AND EXECUTING THE PLANS THAT THEY SHARED WITH US DURING CONFIRMATION AND IN OUR MEETINGS, TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS, SHARED GOALS OF THE COUNCIL AND THE ADMINISTRATION. SO MAHALO AGAIN. I LOOK FORWARD TO VOTING IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION.\r\n\r\nMAHALO, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU. ANYONE ELSE? IF NOT, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION RAISE YOUR HAND AND SAY AYE? >> AYE. >> NINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES. CONGRATULATIONS, MAYOR, AND DIRECTORS!\r\n\r\n[ APPLAUSE ] MS. CLERK. >> CHAIR, YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU UNDER COMMITTEE REPORTS, CR23-9 RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-76, CD 1 APPROVING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF LORI TSUHAKO AS DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS. >> MEMBER UU-HODGINS. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. THANK YOU, CLERK. I MOVE TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF CR23-9. >> SECOND.\r\n\r\n>> MOVED BY MEMBER UU-HODGINS, SECONDED BY VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA TO APPROVE CR23-9, DISCUSSION, MEMBER UU-HODGINS? >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. YOUR GREAT COMMITTEE MET ON FEBRUARY 21ST AND 22ND OF 2023 TO RECOMMEND THE APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT LORI TSUHAKO AS DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 6-2(5) 8-10.2 OF THE REVISED CHARTER OF THE MAUI COUNTY AS AMENDED. THE COUNCIL'S DEADLINE TO CONFIRM OR DENY LORI TSUHAKO APPOINTMENT IS MARCH 13TH, 2023. YOUR COMMITTEE HEARD FROM THE MAYOR ON HIS REASONS FOR APPOINTING MS. TSUHAKO AS DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS AND ALSO REVIEWED NUMEROUS TESTIMONY IN FAVOR OF MS.

TSUHAKO, INCLUDING MANY COMMUNITY MEMBERS, WHOSE LIVES WERE GREATLY IMPROVED BY THE SERVICE SHE DIRECTLY ADMINISTERED. YOUR COMMITTEE ALSO DISCUSSED THE CHARTER AMENDMENT APPROVED IN THE 2022 GENERAL ELECTION TO BIFURCATE THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN CONCERNS, EFFECTIVE JULY 1ST, 2024. YOUR COMMITTEE NOTED MS. TSUHAKO IF REAPPOINTED BY THE MAYOR WOULD REQUIRE COUNCIL CONFIRMATION AGAIN AT THAT TIME. YOUR COMMITTEE EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR MS. TSUHAKO'S APPOINTMENT AND VOTED 8-1 TO RECOMMEND HER APPOINTMENT TO BE CONFIRMED. I AGAIN ASKS FOR THE MEMBERS AE FULL SUPPORT OF MY MOTION. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER UU-HODGINS FOR REMINDING US WHAT HAPPENED IN THE COMMITTEE. I DON'T WANT TO GO TO MY ONE DISSENTING VOTE. I RESPECT MS. TSUHAKO AND OUR DISAGREEMENTS ARE ONLY PROFESSIONAL AND NOT PERSONAL. I LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING A DIFFERENT VISION IN THAT DEPARTMENT, AND I JUST WANT TO MOVE FORWARD WITH A FRESH FACE. SO THAT IS WHY I WON'T BE VOTING FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE RESO, BUT I SUPPORT HER AS A PERSON. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU. I STRONGLY SUPPORT LORI TSUHAKO AS THE DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND HUMAN CONCERNS. IF YOU REMEMBER WHEN SHE WAS -- WHEN SHE SAID SHE IS NOT USED TO TALKING ABOUT HERSELF, BUT TALKING ABOUT A COUNT OF HOW MANY PEOPLE SHE TOOK FROM HOMELESS TO FINDING HOUSING, AND I THINK IT WAS 300 SOMETHING SHE CAN PROUDLY REMEMBER ALSO THAT THE PEOPLE THAT CAME TO SUPPORT HER WERE ACTUALLY PEOPLE WHO SHE CHANGED THEIR LIVES THROUGH HER HOMELESS AND NOW HAVE A HOUSE AND ROOF OVER THEIR HEADS. THAT TO ME SPOKE VOLUMES, AS WELL AS THE QUALITY OF THE OTHER DIRECTORS WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. THEY ARE WELL-RESPECTED FOR THE HOMELESS POPULATION, OR HOUSELESS POPULATION. SHE IS A HARD WORKER. I SOMETIMES GET EMAILS FROM HER 9:00 AT NIGHT, SHE IS STILL WORKING. I APPRECIATE THAT. SHE IS VERY FORTH RIGHT AND HONEST. IF YOU WANT TO KNOW SOMETHING, YOU ASK HER AND SHE WILL TELL YOU EXACTLY WHAT THEY THINKS. SHE IS A HARD WORKER. I STRONGLY SUPPORT HER AND I APPRECIATE EVERYONE WHO CAME TO EXPRESS THEIR SUPPORT. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> YES, ANYONE ELSE? MEMBER KAMA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I, TOO, AM IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-76. WHAT TOUCHED ME THE MOST AND WE HAVE HEARD IT ALL BEFORE HERE IN OUR CHAMBERS, BUT TODAY'S TESTIMONY ON THE MOM WAS ABLE TO GET HER LIFE CLEANED UP, GET A PASSPORT, I'M STILL TRYING TO GET MINE. SO THAT SHE CAN VISIT HER SON AND GRANDCHILDREN IN GERMANY. THAT IS AWESOME. WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT WHERE THEY WERE, WHAT THEY HAD TO GO THROUGH, AND NOW THEY'RE SOARING. THAT IS LORI TSUHAKO. THAT IS THE KIND OF WORK SHE DOES. BUT I'M GOING TO TELL YOU, TOO, I DON'T ALWAYS AGREE WITH HER, TOO. BUT IT'S NOT THE STUFF THAT WE DISAGREE ON. IT'S THE STUFF WE CAN AGREE ON THAT MAKES IT MATTER. SO I WILL BE VOTING IN SUPPORT. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> ANYBODY ELSE? MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. I WILL BE SUPPORTING THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR. AS I STATED, THE CONFIRMATION PROCESS WAS THE PUBLIC'S ABILITY, OR OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO HEAR DIRECTLY FROM THOSE THAT WILL BE IN LEADERSHIP POSITIONS ON THEIR PHILOSOPHY, THEIR VISION, AND THEIR GOALS IN OPERATING THE DEPARTMENT THAT THEY ARE HEADING ON BEHALF OF THIS COUNCIL, AND ON BEHALF OF OUR RESIDENTS. WHAT COUNCIL MEMBER JOHNSON SHARED, I THINK, IS REALLY IMPORTANT. THAT THIS IS ABOUT SYSTEMS. IT'S SYSTEMATIC AND NOT INDIVIDUALS OPERATING WITHIN THE SYSTEM. AS MEMBER JOHNSON SHARED, IT'S NOT A PERSONAL THING. IT'S A DIFFERENCE IN THAT VISION AND PHILOSOPHY. AND THAT'S WHAT MY COMMITTEE IS ABOUT, ECONOMIC EFFICIENCY, SOLUTIONS AND CIRCULAR SOLUTIONS. IT'S ABOUT LOOKING AT THE SYSTEMS AND HOW TO CHANGE THAT. THAT IS WHAT YESTERDAY'S PRESENTATION BY KUMU FOUNDATION FOR. SO IT'S NOT INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE NECESSARILY WORKING WITHIN SYSTEM THAT NEED TO BE CHANGED. IT'S THE SYSTEMS ITSELF AND THAT IS WHAT COUNCIL MEMBER JOHNSON'S BUDGET PRIORITY LAST YEAR INTENDED TO DO. AND I HOPE THAT THE FUNDING FOR THOSE POSITIONS THAT MEMBER JOHNSON ALLOCATED, WE TOGETHER SUPPORTED IN PUTTING IN THE BUDGET, DOESN'T LANGUISH, BEFORE THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR. THAT IS A KEY PIECE OF ADDRESSING THE SYSTEMS THAT PERHAPS CAN BE IMPROVED TO SERVICE OUR COMMUNITY. SO

AGAIN, I SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION, AND IN CONFIRMING DIRECTOR TSUHAKO TO CONTINUE. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH HER ON HOW WE CAN IMPROVE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT PERHAPS HAS NOT BEEN WORKING THE BEST FOR EVERYONE INVOLVED. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nANYONE ELSE? IF NOT, ROLL CALL. >> COUNCIL MEMBER PRO TEMPORE TASHA KAMA? >> YES. >> VICE-CHAIR YUKI LEI SUGIMURA? >> YES. >> COUNCIL MEMBER TAMARA PALTIN?\r\n\r\n>> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER GABE JOHNSON? >> NO. >> COUNCIL MEMBER KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ? >> AYE. >> COUNCIL MEMBER TOM COOK? COUNCIL MEMBER NOHELANI UU-HODGINS?\r\n\r\n>> YES. >> COUNCIL MEMBER SHANE SINENCI? >> AYE. >> CHAIR ALICE LEE? >> AYE. >> CHAIR, YOU HAVE EIGHT AYES, ONE NO, MOTION PASSES. >> CONGRATULATIONS, MS.\r\n\r\nTSUHAKO! [ APPLAUSE ] MS. CLERK. >> CHAIR, YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU CR23-13 RECOMMENDING THE FOLLOWING: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-47, CD 1, APPROVING THE APPOINTMENTS OF NICHOLAS JOHN SEVERSON, ANITA SEGOVIA BARVIN AND MELISSA NAVARRO WILL TO AFFIRMATIVE ACTION ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A TERM BEGINNING APRIL 1ST, 2023 AND EXPIRING ON MARCH 31ST, 2028. >> ARE YOU GOING TO READ THEM ALL? >> I CAN. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-48, CD 1, APPROVING THE APPOINTMENTS OF LAUREEN ANNE KANETA, PHILLIPS ANDREW RAYA, JR. AND KEVIN K. KE'A TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL BOARD FOR A TERM BEGINNING APRIL 1ST, 2023 AND EXPIRING ON MARCH 31, 2026. THIRD ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-49, CD 1 APPROVING AT PENDANTS OF MICHAEL ALEXANDER LILY AND CAROL AGAR TO THE BOARD OF ETHICS FOR A TERM BEGINNING APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31ST, 2028. >> SORRY?\r\n\r\n>> CAN WE DO THOSE FIRST THREE AND TAKE IT ONE AT A TIME THE NEXT ONE. >> IS THAT OKAY? >> THAT'S FINE. I JUST HAVE TO TALK A BUNCH, BUT THAT'S OKAY. >> SO LET'S LOOK AT THE FIRST THREE. YOU READ THE FIRST THREE; RIGHT? >> YES, CHAIR.\r\n\r\n>> SO DISCUSSION? MEMBER UU-HODGINS -- DID YOU MAKE THE MOTION? YOU DID MAKE THE MOTION? >> I DID NOT MAKE A MOTION YET. >> OKAY. >> BUT I'M HAPPY TO DO SO. >> COULD YOU.\r\n\r\n>> OKAY. I MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-47, CD 1, RESOLUTION 23-48, CD 1, AND RESOLUTION 23-49, CD 1. >> SECOND. >> DISCUSSION ON THOSE THREE RESOLUTIONS? >> YOUR GREAT COMMITTEE MET ON FEBRUARY 22ND AND 23RD, 2023 TO DISCUSS THE NOMINATIONS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. YOUR COMMITTEE NOTES THE GENERAL APPOINTMENT PROCEDURES FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS OUTLINED IN SECTION 13-2OF THE REVISES CHARTER OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS AMENDED [INAUDIBLE ] YOUR COMMITTEE NOTES THE GENERAL APPOINTMENT PROCEDURES FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS OUTLINED IN SECTION 13-2OF THE REVISED CHARTER OF THE MAUI COUNTY AS AMENDED CHAPTER 2.41 MAUI COUNTY CODE. YOUR COMMITTEE FURTHER NOTES THE MAYOR IS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT NAMES OF NOMINEES TO THE COUNCIL NO LESS THAN 60 DAYS AND MORE THAN 70 DAYS BEFORE THE PRIOR MEMBER'S TERM EXPIRE. IF THE COUNCIL FAILS TO APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE ANY OF THE MAYOR'S NOMINEES BY MARCH 31ST, 2023, THE MOM KNEE WILL BE DEEMED APPOINTED TO FILL THE VACANCY.\r\n\r\nIF YOUR COUNCIL -- IF THE COUNCIL DISAPPROVES A NOMINEE, THE MAYOR WILL BE NOTIFIED IMMEDIATELY. YOUR COMMITTEE WAS SATISFIED WITH THE BACKGROUND OF THESE INDIVIDUALS FOR THE VARIOUS BOARDS AND TERMS FOR WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN NOMINATED. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION? MEMBER PALTIN? >> CHAIR? >> MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ HAD HER HAND UP. >> MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ.\r\n\r\n>> MAHALO, CHAIR. SO I KNOW WE STOPPED AT THE THIRD ONE. BUT WHAT WE HAVE DONE IS WE HAVE READ THEM ALL INTO THE RECORD AND REQUESTED CERTAIN ONES BE SEPARATED, AND I THINK PERHAPS THAT MIGHT BE AN EASIER, CLEANER WAY TO DO THAT. SO THROWING IT OUT THERE. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> MEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nTHE REASON I STOPPED THERE WAS I WOULD HAVE LIKED TO GO INTO A DEEPER DIVE ON MS. VIAL, BUT MEMBER SUGIMURA BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION IT MIGHT NOT JUST BE MS. VIAL. IN COMMITTEE WE WERE TOLD ALL OF THESE NOMINEES HAD BEEN CONTACTED, AND WE DIDN'T MEET THE THRESHOLD TO ASK THEM TO COME. SO WE WERE TAKING THE WORD THAT ALL OF THE MEMBERS HAD BEEN CONTACTED, AND THEN IN TESTIMONY, MS. VIAL SAID SHE FOUND OUT ABOUT IT HAPPENING TODAY AT A BAR OR SOMETHING. SO -- AT NALU'S. SO I GUESS, MAYBE I SHOULDN'T HAVE STOPPED AT THE FIRST THREE, BUT HOW DO WE KNOW THAT ALL OF THESE MEMBERS HAVE BEEN CONTACTED?\r\n\r\nIS KIND OF MY QUESTION. AND THAT THEY'RE AWARE OF WHAT IS REQUIRED OF THEM. IF SHE PUT IN HER APPLICATION IN 2020, WHAT IF SHE DIDN'T GO TO NALU'S THAT NIGHT

AND LOOKING BAD IN THE COMMUNITY FOR NOT SHOWING UP TO THE MEETINGS THAT SHE IS NOT AWARE SHE WAS APPOINTED. THAT IS THE REASON I ASKED TO STOP THERE, BECAUSE WE DO KNOW SHE WASN'T CONTACTED. >> I SEE JOSIAH IS HERE. AN EXPLANATION THAT MAY NOT HAVE HAPPENED IF WE CALLED HER HOME PHONE, BECAUSE IT'S NO LONGER HER HOME. HOWEVER, WE FELL SHORT ON THIS AND WHEN I SAY "WE" I MEAN ME, ULTIMATELY BEING RESPONSIBLE.\r\n\r\nSHE HAS AGREED, HER APPLICATION FORM OF, AND I CONTINUE TO RECOMMEND HER TO THIS BOARD TO THIS BOARD OF VARIANCES. THAT I FIND THAT SHE IS QUALIFIED, ELIGIBLE MAYBE IS THE BETTER WORD. SO I WILL SAY ALTHOUGH AFTER THE FACT, WE WILL -- YOU DID REQUIRE THAT WE HAVE HER APPLICATION UPDATED BY TODAY. BUT OBVIOUSLY, BECAUSE WE DIDN'T MAKE CONTACT AND SHE DIDN'T KNOW, SHE CALLED ME TODAY AND SHE WILL DO SO. MOST OF THE INFORMATION THAT YOU SEE HERE IS CURRENT EXCEPT HER NEW JOB. HER HOME ADDRESS AND SHE KNOW WORKS AT SOUTHERBY'S. SHE HAD A COUPLE MORE THINGS OF COMMUNITY AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO ADD TO HER ACTIVITIES. BUT I MOSTLY CAME TO APOLOGIZE FOR FALLING SHORT.\r\n\r\nI KNOW WE WERE GIVEN SOME DEADLINES, AND THAT SHOULDN'T BE THE EXCUSE BUT I CAN UNDERSTAND HOW THIS MIGHT GIVE RISE TO WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER 20 OR SO? SO I DID HAVE OUR STAFF RECONTACT EACH ONE OF THEM AS WELL DURING THE BREAK. BUT ONE OF THINGS I WANTED TO OFFER TO THE COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN. >> THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, I WAS CLARIFYING WHAT YOU SAID, DURING LUNCH BREAK YOU CONTACTED ALL OF THE NOMINEES. >> I CONTACTED HER MYSELF. I HAD MY STAFF TRY TO REACH OUT TO THE OTHERS, AND I DIDN'T MEET WITH THEM BEFORE COMING HERE.\r\n\r\nBUT I DID ASK THEM TO DO TO SO MAKE SURE, BECAUSE THIS WAS THE ONLY ONE THAT WAS KIND OF QUESTIONABLE. SHE HAD A NEW ADDRESS AND NEW NUMBER, EXCEPT FOR HER CELL. SO SHE WAS ONE I CALLED AND LEFT A MESSAGE AND WHEN I CALLED AGAIN, SHE ANSWERED. THAT IS HOW I WAS ABLE TO TALK TO HER AND ASK WHAT HAD HAPPENED? OF COURSE, I WANTED TO KNOW IF SHE HAD ANY MESSAGES LEFT FOR HER AND SHE SAID IF THEY WERE LEFT AT HER HOME, SHE WOULD NOT HAVE GOTTEN IT, BECAUSE OF HER SITUATION. >> I DID RUN INTO ONE OTHER APPLICATION. I DIDN'T GO THROUGH EVERY SINGLE APPLICATION.\r\n\r\nBUT MS. HEATHER ANN WELLS ALSO HAD A NEW JOB. AND NOT AN UPDATED APPLICATION. I WAS ABLE TO CONTACT HER FROM HER PERSONAL SHEET. BUT TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE CONTACTED I AGREE. >> VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, THAT IS LEADERSHIP; RIGHT?\r\n\r\nCOMING DOWN AND MAKING IT RIGHT. I APPRECIATE THAT. I DID CONTACT MICHAEL LILLY, WHO IS ON FOR THE BOARD OF ETHICS. BECAUSE I KNOW HIM AND I WAS HAPPY; HE IS A FORMER AG AND YOU KNOW HIM. >> I KNOW MIKE. >> AND HE DIDN'T KNOW, BUT HE WAS HAPPY TO GET MY CALL. I ALSO CONTACTED JOHN FOR THE MOLOKA'I PLANNING COMMISSION, AND BECAUSE HE LIVES IN -- IF YOU ASK HIM, HE IS GOING TO SAY HE IS FROM MOLOKA'I, BECAUSE THAT IS WHERE HE GREW UP AND RENOVATED HIS FAMILY HOME OR WHATEVER AND HE LIVES BOTH PLACES.\r\n\r\nUNDER OUR CODE, BECAUSE HIS, I GUESS PRIMARY RESIDENCE, THAT MISTAKE WAS MADE OF PUTTING HIS NAME FORWARD. I THINK I CHECKED WITH ZEKE AND HE SAID YOU SUPPORTED HIM. I TOTALLY SUPPORT HIM AND I THINK HIS WEALTH OF KNOWLEDGE IN MANY DIFFERENT WAYS, BUT I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT, BECAUSE OF THE RESIDENCY THING, UNFORTUNATELY. >> WE CAME ACROSS A COUPLE OF THOSE THAT WE DIDN'T REALLY RECOGNIZE WERE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER. WE DID NOT GO OUT AND RECRUIT ANYBODY FOR THE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND WE STARTED WITH THE LIST THAT WAS ALREADY AT THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR. SO SOME OF THEM WERE DATED AND WE TRIED TO FIND OUT IF THEY WERE STILL INTERESTED IN THE POSITIONS, AGAIN TO MEET THE DEADLINES, SO THESE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS CAN FUNCTION. WE'LL DO A BETTER JOB OF REACHING OUT TO THE COMMUNITY AND MAYBE NOW, THERE ARE REASONS WHY SOME PEOPLE WERE RELUCTANT TO PUT THEIR NAMES IN, AND I HOPE NOW UNDER THE ENVIRONMENT THAT YOU FOLKS HAVE ALREADY TALKED ABOUT THAT MORE PEOPLE, EVEN THOSE WATCHING THIS RIGHT NOW WILL FEEL COMFORTABLE PUTTING THEIR NAMES, SO WE'LL HAVE MORE PEOPLE TO CHOOSE FROM.\r\n\r\nQUITE FRANKLY, WE EXHAUSTED THE LIST THAT WAS THERE. AGAIN NOT MAKING ANY EXCUSE, BUT WE CAN DO A BETTER JOB. >> SO YOU ADVISED YOUR STAFF TO RECONNECT WITH EVERYBODY. >> I DID. >> AND UPDATE ANY OF THE APPLICATIONS. >> YES, MA'AM, ESPECIALLY THE ONES YOU ASKED FOR. I THINK YOU ASKED FOR THREE AND WE GOT ONE

IN, AND THE OTHER TWO WE'RE WAITING TO COME IN, EXCEPT FOR MS. VIAL, WHO DIDN'T KNOW SHE HAD TO UPDATE HERS UNTIL NOW AND SHE IS WORKING ON IT. >> SOUNDS LIKE SHE HAD SOME CHANGES IN HER LIFE THAT PROBABLY MADE IT DIFFICULTY. >> LIKE ALL OF US, SHE HAS GONE THROUGH CHANGES. >> I APPRECIATE YOU SPEAKING TO ALL OF US ABOUT THIS. >> I WOULD HAVE THE SAME QUESTIONS AND I WOULD WANT TO HEAR FROM SOMEBODY ELSE, BECAUSE MOST EVERYONE ELSE WILL TELL YOU, I WILL GET BACK TO YOU. I WILL HAVE TO TELL YOU THE SAME THING, I WILL GET BACK TO, BUT YOU CAN ASK ME AND TELL ME WHAT YOU WANT US TO DO AND WE'LL GO DO IT. MEMBERS, DO YOU WANT TO PULL OUT ONE OF THESE RATHER THAN GO OVER EVERYONE SINGLE ONE, BECAUSE IT'S VOLUMINOUS FOR CHAIR UHODGINS TO TAKE THE WHOLE LIST AGAIN? VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> SO I BELIEVE THAT WHAT WE'RE GOING TO SEE IS THAT AS WE GO ALONG, IF THERE WERE PEOPLE THAT ARE NOT WHOLE-HEARTEDLY INVOLVED, OR WANT TO BE INVOLVED WITH THE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, THEY WILL ON THEIR OWN TAKE THEMSELVES OUT. BUT AT THIS STAGE, JUST BECAUSE OF THE NUMBER OF DAYS THAT YOU ARE ACTUALLY IN OFFICE AND THIS KIND OF DROPPED IN YOUR STAFF'S TO-DO LIST. I THINK IT'S REALLY, REALLY IMPORTANT THAT I PERSONALLY, IT DEPENDS ON THE OTHER MEMBERS, BUT I'M PERSONAL FINE GOING FORWARD AND YOU UPDATING WHATEVER THE OTHER MEMBERS HAVE ASKED FOR. I BELIEVE THESE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ARE REALLY IMPORTANT, AND THAT IF THEY DECIDE NOT TO, WE'RE GOING TO FIND OUT SOON, AND WE'LL BE DOING REPLACEMENTS, BUT I DON'T THINK IT'S THAT SERIOUS OR CRITICAL. >> WE HAVE ZEKE HERE AND HE MAY BE ABLE TO ENLIGHTEN ON SOME OF THE OTHER ONES THAT WE HAD QUESTIONS ON. >> HE WAS WORKING ON THAT DURING THE LUNCH BREAK. MEMBER KAMA, YOU HAVE A QUESTION. >> I DON'T HAVE A QUESTION. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A COMMENT, I'M OKAY WITH THE LIST THAT WE HAVE AND IF MEMBERS WANTED CERTAIN ITEMS TO BE PULLED OUT, I WOULD BE OKAY WITH THAT, TOO. BUT IF WE COULD LEAVE SOME OF THEM IN AND JUST PROCEED, AND WHOEVER OUR MEMBERS MIGHT WANT TO PULL OUT, I'M OKAY WITH THAT, TOO. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> MEMBERS, DO YOU WANT TO HEAR FROM MR. ZEKE FIRST? AND THEN PULL OUT THAT ORDER? ZEKE. ZEKE, I'M SORRY, YOUR LAST NAME IS KALALAU. >> THAT'S CORRECT CHAIR. >> JUST CHECK. >> COUNCIL CHAIR, COMMITTEE MEMBERS, GREAT TO SEE ALL OF YOU AGAIN. I WAS JUST COMING DOWN TO HAND DELIVER AKALA LINDSEY AND HE WAS TWO OF THE THREE AND WAITING ON MS. NOHARA'S APPLICATION. I DON'T WANT TO ASK TO REPEAT THE QUESTION, BUT I WAS TRYING NOT TO INTERRUPT COUNCIL MEMBER SUGIMURA WHEN SHE WAS TALKING. WAS THERE A DIRECT QUESTION POSED TO MYSELF AS RESOURCE? >> NO, BASICALLY, WHAT I SAID WAS THAT I'M FINE WITH THE LIST. IF THE MEMBERS WANT INDIVIDUAL NAMES TO BE PULLED OUT, I'M FINE TO PROCEED. I THINK IN TIME, THE COMMISSIONERS, OR BOARD AND COMMISSION MEMBERS THAT GET APPROVED, WHICH I THINK WOULD BE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT, THAT IF IT'S NOT WHAT THEY WANT TO DO, THEY WILL TAKE THEMSELVES OUT ON THEIR OWN. I THINK >> THANK YOU COUNCIL MEMBERS, MY RECOLLECTION OF THE QUESTION, DID WE SUCCESSFULLY CONTACT EVERYONE ON THE LIST DURING THE BREAK? WE HAVE EVERYONE. >> WE HAVE A QUESTION FROM MEMBER PALTIN. >> CHAIR. >> MY QUESTION WOULD BE TO THE VERIFICATION OF LUKE BAILEY, IT'S NOT THAT THEY NEED TO OWN A HOUSE, BUT I THINK THE OWNER-OCCUPIED REQUIREMENTS IS LIKE THEY FILE THEIR TAXES IN HAWAII, AND I THINK 270 DAYS A YEAR IS SPENT HERE. SO HE HAD MENTIONED THAT HE'S PART-TIME IN THE MAINLAND AND PART-TIME HERE. AND I JUST -- I THINK HE'S A GREAT CANDIDATE. THE QUESTION IS BECAUSE HE HAD RESIGNED FROM THAT SAME BOARD BECAUSE HE WAS MOVING AWAY, AND SO I JUST WOULD LIKE VERIFICATION THAT HE MEETS THAT QUALIFICATION OF STILL BEING A HAWAIIAN RESIDENT BY THOSE CRITERIA THAT ARE IN THE CODE CURRENTLY. WOULD SOMEONE LIKE TO ANSWER THAT QUESTION? >> COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN, DID YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT WHAT THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS ARE, OR YOU JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE IT WAS FOLLOWED? >> THAT IT WAS FOLLOWED. THAT HE COULD MEET THE OWNER-OCCUPIED REQUIREMENTS, NOT THAT HE NEEDS TO OWN A HOME, BUT JUST THAT WAS THE STANDARD THAT WE WERE USING TO SAY THAT THEY WERE A MAUI COUNTY RESIDENT, ELIGIBLE TO SERVE ON A BOARD OR COMMISSION. >> SO MS. LALA IS HERE FROM THE ADMINISTRATION. I THINK SHE REVIEWED THE APPLICATION. PERHAPS SHE COULD ANSWER, IF YOU COULD GIVE ME A

MOMENT, PLEASE. >> WHILE SHE IS DOING THAT, WHEN WE CHECK ON THIS QUESTION, TOO, BECAUSE I REALIZED HE TESTIFIED EARLIER TODAY AND YOU ASKED THOSE QUESTIONS. MS. LALO DURING OUR MEETING DURING LUNCH RECALLED SHE IS THE PERSON WHO SPOKE WITH MR. BAILEY DURING THE VETTING PROCESS. INDICATE IF HE LIVE IN THE MAINLAND AND KULA. SO I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH HIM AS AN APPLICANT AND JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE HE FITS THE CRITERIA.\r\n\r\n>> COUNCIL MEMBER PALTIN, I SPOKE WITH MR. LUKE BAILEY REGARDING HIS -- THE CRITERIA FOR THE BOARD AND COMMISSION. AND ALSO HIS RESIDENCY. SO HE -- I'M NOT SURE ABOUT THE INCOME TAX PIECE. WASN'T AWARE OF THAT CRITERIA, BUT HE DOES -- HE DOES RESIDE HERE. HE DOES, I THINK HIS FAMILY RIGHT NOW IS SPLIT BETWEEN THE MAINLAND AND HERE. AND THAT'S WHY THE BACK AND FORTH.\r\n\r\nHIS KIDDOS, I THINK ARE IN SCHOOL IN WASHINGTON OR SOMETHING. SO ANYWAY, HIS FAMILY HAS LONGSTANDING ROOTS HERE AND BUSINESSES HERE, AND THIS IS HIS HOME. SO THAT IS WHAT I KNOW ABOUT THAT. I'M NOT SURE -- LIKE I SAID, WE DID NOT TALK ABOUT INCOME TAX. >> THAT IS WHAT THE REQUIREMENT IS WE JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT FOLKS MEET REQUIREMENT. >> NOW WE KNOW, WE'LL CHECK THAT WITH HIM. >> MEMBERS, ANY OTHER QUESTIONS, OR DO YOU WANT TO PULL OUT MY OF THESE?\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR? >> MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. MAHALO, MAYOR, FOR BEING WITH US TODAY, AND DEMONSTRATING ACTION WHAT ACCOUNTABILITY LOOKS LIKE. I APPRECIATE THAT. I KNOW,, IT'S EVIDENT BY THOSE THAT YOU NOMINATED FOR THE DIRECTOR POSITIONS THAT YOU BELIEVE IN KULI NUKU AND STRIVING FOR THE BEST AND PUTTING THE BEST PEOPLE FOR THE BEST POSITIONS, THE BEST ROLES, THE ROLES THAT SUIT THEM THE BEST IS WHAT I'M SAYING. AND UNDERSTAND THAT THERE WAS THIS DEADLINE, AND THE DEADLINE WAS JUST THAT IT WOULD BE COUNCIL'S TURN TO FILL THOSE POSITIONS.\r\n\r\nSO IN YOUR OPENING REMARKS EARLIER, I THINK THAT WAS IN THE GREAT COMMITTEE MEETING WHEN YOU PROVIDED OPENING REMARKS FOR DIRECTORS, YOU STATED YOUR COMMITMENT TO WORKING WITH THE COUNCIL, AND THAT WE HAVE SHARED GOALS. AND THAT IN THE FUTURE, IF THERE'S A DEADLINE, AND YOU KNOW, YOU'RE NOT COMFORTABLE PUTTING CERTAIN PEOPLE THAT AREN'T JUST ELIGIBLE, BUT REALLY QUALIFIED FOR THAT SPECIFIC ROLE. SOME OF THE NOMINEES THAT CAME BEFORE US HAD APPLIED FOR OTHER BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, AND WOULD HAVE BEEN MORE QUALIFIED FOR THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. BECAUSE AS YOU STATED, YOU EXHAUSTED THE LIST THAT THERE WAS A MAD SCRAMBLE TO FIGURE OUT HOW OTHERS COULD FILL IN BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT PERHAPS THEY HADN'T INTENDED TO APPLY FOR. SO IN WORKING TOGETHER, IS THAT SOMETHING WHERE IF THE DEADLINE IS GOING TO PASS AND IT'S COUNCIL'S TURN, THAT WE'RE ALIGNED IN THAT WE WANT TO HAVE THE BEST PEOPLE IN THE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS SEATS? AND THAT WE WOULD WORK TOGETHER IN THE FUTURE, IN FILLING THOSE SEATS? >> MAYOR.\r\n\r\n>> SO THAT I'M CLEAR. WE SELECTED THE BEST PEOPLE WHO APPLIED. AND WHAT I WILL DO DIFFERENTLY IS SEEK OUT PEOPLE TO APPLY. WE DID NOT DO THAT IN THIS INSTANCE, BECAUSE OF THE DEADLINE, IN PART. BUT I ALSO FELT THAT PEOPLE, BECAUSE THESE ARE ALL VOLUNTARY PEOPLE WANTING TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY. I FELT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO AT LEAST EVALUATE THOSE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN ON THE LIST AND FIND OUT WHY THEY WERE NOT SELECTED IN THE PAST OR WHATEVER IT WAS. BUT I CAN SAY TO YOU, WE WILL NOT MAKE THIS SAME MISTAKE AGAIN.\r\n\r\nTHAT IS WHAT I WILL SAY TO YOU. MAHALO MAYOR FOR THAT STATEMENT. SOME OF THE NOMINEES THAT WE RECEIVED HAD BEEN DISAPPROVED LAST YEAR AND SOME OF THE NOMINEES ARE CURRENTLY SERVING ON OTHER BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS CURRENTLY. SO THERE'S SEVERAL THAT ARE SERVING ON AT LEAST TWO BOARDS OR COMMISSIONS AND -- I DON'T THINK MORE THAN TWO. I GUESS IT'S UNFORTUNATE THAT THOSE POSITIONS WEREN'T ABLE TO BE OPENED UP TO OTHERS IN THE COMMUNITY TO SERVE ON. BUT I APPRECIATE YOUR COMMITMENT, MAYOR. MAHALO, CHAIR.\r\n\r\n>> MEMBER SINENCI. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. MAHALO, MAYOR BISSEN FOR COMING DOWN AND ANSWERING -- ADDRESSING OUR CONCERNS. I JUST NEEDED CONFIRMATION FROM MS. JANELLE RAGUSA FOR THE COMMISSION ON SALARY. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS COMMISSION WASN'T HER PRIMARY CHOICE, AND SO I DID WANT TO MAKE SURE BEFORE WE VOTE, AND COMMIT HER TO FIVE YEARS ON THE SALARY COMMISSION THAT SHE DIDN'T ASK FOR, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT SHE'S -- SHE HAD SOME OTHER COMMENTS ON HER RESUME. IF I COULD GET THAT FROM YOU?\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. >> THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER SINENCI. WE

HAVE HAD MADE AN ATTEMPT AS 35 MINUTES AGO AND WE HAVEN'T HEARD BACK FROM HER AT THIS POINT. WE'RE HOPING TO GET SOMETHING WITHIN THE NEXT HOUR, BUT I CAN'T GUARANTEE THAT SHE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COMMENTARY DURING THIS MEETING TODAY. >> MAHALO, MR. KALALUA. THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\n>> I'M GOING TO ASK AGAIN, DO YOU WANT TO PULL ANY ITEM OUT? PULL IT OUT OF THIS MASTER LIST? >> I WOULD LIKE TO PULL LUKE MAKANI BAILEY UNTIL WE GET CONFIRMATION HE MEETS THE CRITERIA. >> WHAT NUMBER IS THAT AGAIN? >> NO. 10. >> OKAY. ANY OBJECTIONS, MEMBERS?\r\n\r\n>> NO OBJECTIONS . ANY OTHERS BESIDES 10? >> CHAIR? >> MEMBER SINENCI. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. RESOLUTION 23-67, NO. 21, UNTIL WE CAN RECEIVE CONFIRMATION FROM MS. RAGUSA. THANK YOU.\r\n\r\n>> ANY OBJECTIONS TO PULLING OUT 21? >> NO OBJECTIONS, CHAIR. >> SO ORDERED. SO WE HAVE -- SO WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE ON WITH THE MOTION AND DISCUSSION WITHOUT 10 AND 21, WHICH WE'RE GOING TO HOLD TO THE SIDE FOR NOW. >> CHAIR? >> MEMBER UU-HODGINS. MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR.\r\n\r\n16 AND -- YOU SAID 21 ALREADY. JUST 16. AND 4. >> ANY OBJECTIONS, MEMBERS, TO 4 AND 16? >> NO OBJECTIONS. I JUST HAD A QUESTION, WHEN YOU'RE DONE WITH THAT. >> ANY OBJECTIONS TO 4 AND 16 TO PULL THOSE OUT. >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> LET ME JUST MARK THAT. MEMBER PALTIN.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR, IT'S A PROCESS. IF WE MAKE THE MOTION WITH THE REMAINING ADOPTIONS, WE DON'T TAKE THE VOTE ON ALL OF IT ONE TIME? CAN WE SPEAK TO EACH >> IF YOU WANT TO GO ONE BY ONE. >> I GUESS THE ONES THAT WE PULLED OUT, I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER ISSUES. I GUESS IT'S OKAY, SINCE WE PULLED THOSE OTHER ONES OUT. >> ALL RIGHT. SO JUST FOR THE RECORD, MEMBER UU-HODGINS, PLEASE NOTE WHICH ONES YOU ARE NOT INCLUDING IN YOUR MOTION.\r\n\r\n>> OKAY. CURRENTLY WE HAVE A MOTION ON THE FLOOR FOR ITEMS 1, 2, AND 3. SHOULD I CONTINUE WITH 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 ALL THE WAY DOWN AND MAKE THE FULL MOTION AND WE SEPARATE 4, 10, 16 AND 21? >> YES. >> OKAY. DO I NEED TO RESCIND MY MOTION TO ADOPT THE FIRST THREE, OR CAN I JUST -- WE CAN JUST CONTINUE? >> LET ME JUST CHECK, CAN SHE JUST CONTINUE? >> IT WOULD BE BETTER PROBABLY TO GO AHEAD AND RESCIND YOUR MOTION. >> OKAY.\r\n\r\n>> AND STAFF HAS JUST -- WAS JUST SAYING THE WAY IT HAS BEEN DONE IN THE PAST IS THAT ALL OF THE RESOLUTIONS ARE CALLED UP, AND THEN THOSE FEW PULLED OUT, AND THEN IF YOU ARE INCLINED TO VOTE ON ALL OF THEM AT ONE TIME, ASIDE FROM THE ONES PULLED OUT AND YOU GO BACK AND YOU CAN HANDLE THE ONES THAT YOU PULLED OUT SEPARATELY, IF THAT IS ACCEPTABLE. >> OKAY. SO WE'LL HAVE THE CLERK READ ALL OF THEM, AND, IN FACT YOU DID READ ALL OF THEM. ONLY THREE. OKAY. YOU CAN READ ALL -- RESCIND THE MOTION. READ ALL OF THEM, AND THEN WE'LL PULL OUT THE ONES THAT WERE REQUESTED TO BE PULLED OUT; RIGHT?\r\n\r\nSO CAN YOU WITHDRAW YOUR MOTION. >> YES. CHAIR, I WITHDRAW MY MOTION FOR THE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-47, 23-48, AND 23-49. >> AND WHO SECONDED? YOU WITHDRAW YOUR SECOND? SO IT'S BEEN -- THE MOTION HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN, AND THE SECOND HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN IT ADOPT THE FIRST THREE RESOLUTIONS, WHICH ARE 23-47, 23-48, AND 23-49. SO NOW WE'RE ASKING THE CLERK TO READ ALL OF THE ITEMS, AND THEN WE'LL JUST PULL OUT -- GO BACK TO YOU MEMBER UU-HODGINS AND GO BACK TO THE ONES THAT WERE REQUESTED TO BE PULLED OUT. MS. CLERK.\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR, YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU CR23-13, RECOMMENDING CAN BE SORRY, 1 ADOPTION OF 23-47, CD 1 APPROVING THE APPOINTMENTS OF NICHOLAS JOHN SEVERSON, ANITA SEGOVIA BARVIN AND MELISSA NAVARRO WILL TO THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A TERM BEGINNING APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028. 2, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-48, CD 1, APPROVING AT THE APPOINTMENTS OF LAUREEN ANNE KANETA, PHILLIPS ANDREW RAYA, JR. AND KEVIN K. KE'A TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL BOARD FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 911, 2023 AND EXPIRING ON MARCH 31ST, 2026, 3, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-49, CD IS, APPROVING THE APPOINTMENTS OF MICHAEL ALEXANDER LILLY AND CAROL AGAR TO THE BOARD OF ETHICS FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31ST, 202, 4, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS 23-50 CD 1 APPROVING APPOINTMENTS OF DEBORAH C. VIAL AND JOHN JOSEPH HELLY TO THE BOARD OF VARIANCES AND A TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028. 5, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-51 CD 1, APPROVING THE APPOINTMENTS OF EDWIN LINDSEY III RE-APPOINT, AND NICHOLAS INOUYE NOHARA TO THE BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY FOR THE TERM BEGINNING APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING ON MARCH 31, 2028, , ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-51, CD 1, APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF EDWARD JAMES



RICKORD TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION TO THE TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028, 7, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-35233 CD 1 APPROVING APPOINTMENTS OF ALMA TASSI, RAQUEL BOLO AND ERICKA ASHLEY CHAVEZ TO THE COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH FOR TERM COMBINING APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028. 8, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-54, CD 1, APPROVING APPOINTMENTS OF EVAN PURCELL DUST, CAMERON JAMES DEXTER, STEVEN ROBERT KNAPP TO THE COST OF GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING ON MARCH 31, 208 AND DISAPPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF ROGER CLAPP. 9, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-55, CD 1, APPROVING APPOINTMENTS OF DELDRINE KAUNOHEA MANERA, EDWARD ROMSON, ELAINE SLAVINSKY. 10, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-56, CD 1, APPROVING APPOINTMENT LUKE MAKANI BAILEY TO THE FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION TO THE TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028. 11, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-357 CD 1, APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM MATHEW KEILEY TO THE HANA ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO TERM BEGINNING APRIL 1,2303 EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028, 12, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-58 CD 1, APPROVING APPOINTMENTS OF NEGUS MANNA AND MICHELE JUNE FUJIE TO LANA'I PLANNING COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028 AND DISAPPROVING THE 16:29 APPOINTMENT OF JAY MARGULIES. 13, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-59, CD 1, APPROVING OF APPOINTMENT OF JOHN KIM TO LIQUOR CONTROL ADJUDICATION BOARD FOR TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING ON MARCH 31, 2028 AND DISAPPROVING THE APPOINTMENT KAULANA MOSSMAN. 14, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-60, CD 1, APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF SETSUKO REGINA GORMLEY AND DEAN KIMO FRAMPTON TO THE LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION FOR TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028. 15, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-61, CD 1, APPROVING APPOINTMENTS OF AN ANDREE MICHELLE CONLEY-KAPOI AND THEODORE W.K. AWANA, JR. TO THE MAUI COUNTY CULTURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023, AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028. 16, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-6 CD 1, APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF HEATHER ANN WELLS TO THE MAUI PLANNING COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING ON MARCH 31, 2028, AND DISAPPROVING THE APPOINTMENT SHEILA WALKER.\r\n\r\n17, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-61, CD 1, APPROVING APPOINTMENTS OF SHANNON KEAUPUNI KA'AHANUI TO THE MOLOKA'I PLANNING COMMISSION FOR TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING ON MARCH 31, 2028 AND DISAPPROVING APPOINTMENT JOHN SABAS. 18, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-61, CD 1, APPROVING APPOINTMENTS OF FRANK TAM AND WILLIAM K. RICHARDSON TO THE POLICE COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING ON MARCH 31, 2028. 19, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23 -, CD 1, APPROVING APPOINTMENTS OF LAUREEN ANNE KANETA AND MATHEW SCHROEDER TO THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION FOR AIR TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028, 20, ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-66, CD 1, APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT JOHN CORTESI TO THE REAL PROPERTY TAX REVIEW BOARD FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028 AND 21 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-68 CD 1 APPROVING THE PILOTS OF JANELLE LYNN RAGUSA AND WILLIAM M. CURTIS, JR. TO THE SALARY COMMISSION FOR A TERM BEGINNING ON APRIL 1,2023, AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2028. >> MEMBER UU-HODGINS. >> I WILL MAKE A MOTION TO APPROVE ALL AND ANOTHER MOTION TO AMEND. IS THAT HOW I NEED TO DO THIS? >> NO. >> I THINK WHAT MAY BE SIMPLER IS THOSE THAT THE MEMBERS HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD HANDLE SEPARATELY,. >> WE'RE NOT GOING TO JUST DISAPPROVE THOSE.\r\n\r\n>> I HAVE DOWN 4, 10, 16, AND 21. >> SO YOU COULD SAY. >> MOVE TO SEPARATE. >> MOVE TO SEPARATE THOSE. >> LET'S MOVE TO SEPARATE RESOLUTION 23-50, CD , RESOLUTION 23-56, CD 1. RESOLUTION 23-62, CD 1, AND RESOLUTION 23-67, CD 1. >> SECOND >> MOVED BY MEMBER UU-HODGINS AND SECONDED BY MEMBER JOHNSON TO SEPARATE THE ITEMS AS MENTIONED. IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION? ANY MORE DISCUSSION? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE SEPARATION, PLEASE SAY AYE?\r\n\r\n>> AYE. >> NINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES. NOW YOU WILL MOVE TO APPROVE. OTHERS. >> OKAY. I MOVE TO APPROVE THE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 23-47, CD 1. RESOLUTION 23-48, RESOLUTION 23-49, RESOLUTION 23-51, RESOLUTION 23-52, RESOLUTION 23-53, RESOLUTION 23-54, RESOLUTION 23-55, RESOLUTION 23-56, RESOLUTION 23-58 -- NOT 36, 57, 58, THANK YOU, RESCUE 23-59, RESCUE 23-60, RESOLUTION 23-61, RESOLUTION 23-63, RESOLUTION 23-64, RESOLUTION 23-65 AND FINALLY

RESOLUTION 23-66. >> SECOND. >> MOVED BY MEMBER UU-HODGINS.\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR, IF I COULD? FOR CLARIFICATION, THOSE ARE ALL THE CD 1 VERSIONS OF THOSE RESOLUTIONS. >> CD 1, THANK YOU SO MUCH. >> DISCUSSION, MEMBER UU-HODGINS. >> AGAIN, YOUR GREAT COMMITTEE MET ON FEBRUARY 23, 20 -- 22 AND 23 TO DISCUSS THE NOMINEES OF VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND I SAID EVERYTHING EARLIER, SO YOU HEARD THE SPIEL. THANK YOU. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION?\r\n\r\nOKAY. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION, RAISE YOUR HAND AND SAY AYE? >> NINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES. NOW THE SEPARATED ITEMS. DO YOU WANT TO HOLD IT TO THE END OF THE CALENDAR? OR REFER IT TO COMMITTEE? >> MEMBER PALTIN.\r\n\r\n>> CAN WE LEAVE IT ON THE TABLE FOR THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING? >> WE COULD DO THAT. ANY OBJECTIONS, MEMBERS? TO TABLING THIS ITEM UNTIL THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING? >> NO OBJECTIONS, CHAIR. >> ALL RIGHT. SO ORDER.\r\n\r\nSO THAT TAKES CARE OF YOUR JOB UU-HODGINS. >> GOOD JOB. >> THANK YOU. MS. CLERK. WHERE ARE YOU NOW? RESOLUTIONS.\r\n\r\n>> RESOLUTIONS, WE DON'T HAVE ANYONE CURRENTLY SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY ON RESOLUTIONS. SO IF THERE'S ANYONE AT THIS TIME WHO WOULD LIKE TO TESTIFY ON ANY OF THE RESOLUTIONS, PLEASE MAKE YOURSELF KNOWN. THIS IS THE LAST CALL. QUICK COUNTDOWN, 3, 2, 1. >> MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO CLOSING PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND ACCEPTING WRITTEN TESTIMONY FOR RESOLUTIONS? >> NO OBJECTIONS, CHAIR. >> SO ORDERED. MS.\r\n\r\nCLERK. >> CHAIR, PROCEEDING WITH RESOLUTIONS. YOU HAVE BEFORE RESOLUTION 23-85, AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM NO. 4070761 OF PAUL CLEVELAND. RESOLUTION 23-86 AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM NO. 4072926 OF PEDRO ORTEGA. RESOLUTION 23-87 AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM NO.\r\n\r\n4080380 OF HAWAII ELECTRIC COMPANY, RESOLUTION 23-88, AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF ONO GELATO OF PA'IA, LLC. A HAWAIIAN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY VERSUS COUNTY OF MAUI CIVIL NO. 2 CC V-22-0000258. >> MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO REFERRING TO THE COMMITTEE? >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> SORRY. I TAKE THAT BACK THAT NO OBJECTIONS. I WILL CALL ON MEMBER UU-HODGINS.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. PLEASE FORGIVE ME, I JUST GOT NOTES THIS MORNING TO REQUEST TO DISCUSS THIS ON THE FLOOR AS THIS IS TIME-SENSITIVE. >> ALL FOUR OF THEM? >> COUNCIL MEMBERS, I BELIEVE THE FIRST THREE, WHICH ARE CLAIMS, THE AMOUNT IS INCLUDED IN THE RESOLUTIONS. COUNCIL CAN TAKE THAT UP ON THE FLOOR,. AS TO 23-88, THAT SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE GREAT COMMITTEE. >> SO WE'RE REQUESTING IF THE COUNCIL COULD SUSPEND RULES 7G FOR RESOLUTIONS 23-85,23-86 AND 23-87. >> MEMBER UU-HODGINS. >> I'M HAPPY TO DO SO, IF THAT IS THE WILL OF THE BODY TO WAIVE THE RULES.\r\n\r\n>> COUNCIL MEMBER JOHNSON. >> JUST A QUESTION FOR CORPORATION COUNSEL, WHAT IS NATURE OF THE TIME-SENSITIVE? >> THESE CLAIMS OCCURRED IN 2021, SO WE DO HAVE SOMEWHAT OF A BACKLOG ON CLAIMS. BECAUSE THESE CAN BE ADDRESSED WITHOUT EXECUTIVE SESSION, WE'RE HOPING THAT -- -- >> OKAY. BACKLOG. WHEN YOU SAY BACKLOG, THIS WAS IN 2021, THIS WAS -- SO THE COUNCIL COMMITTEE DID NOT TAKE THIS UP? >> THE CLAIMS OCCURRED IN 2021. BUT I BELIEVE IT WAS SENT UP RECENTLY.\r\n\r\nI WILL DEFER TO DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL. >> CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW? >> YES. >> THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU. MY NAME IS BRAD SILVA, DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL. I'M CURRENTLY HANDLING CLAIMS FOR OUR OFFICE.\r\n\r\nTHESE CLAIMS THAT YOU HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU WERE MORE RECENTLY REFERRED. THEY ARE HOWEVER OLDER CLAIMS, EACH ONE ARISING IN 2021. ADDITIONALLY, AS NOTED, WE DO HAVE I GUESS WE CALL IT A BACKLOG OF CLAIMS THAT ARE CURRENTLY PENDING. SOME OF WHICH HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL, OR AT LEAST TO COMMITTEE, SOME TIME AGO. SO WE ARE TRYING EARNESTLY TO DEAL WITH WHAT CLAIMS WE CAN, JUST TO REMOVE THAT BACKLOG AND TRY TO MAKE WHOLE THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE MADE THESE CLAIMS. >> MEMBER PALTIN. >> I DON'T REALLY HAVE A PROBLEM WITH DOING THIS COMMITTEE WORK ON THE COUNCIL FLOOR. THE ISSUE IS THAT WE GOT ALL EMAILED ABOUT A GUY THAT IS NOT ON THIS LIST, THAT HAD A CLAIM FROM A LONG TIME AGO, TOO.\r\n\r\nSO I DON'T WANT TO APPEAR UNFAIR. HIS HOUSE GOT FLOODED IN KIHEI AND WE'RE STILL WAITING IN COMMITTEE FOR THAT TO COME UP AND HE IS EXPERIENCING AGGRAVATION. SO THIS SEEMS A LITTLE BIT LIKE WE'RE NOT TREATING FOLKS EQUALLY, THESE THREE GUYS GET TO GO TODAY AND THIS OTHER GUY WHO SPECIFICALLY EMAILED ALL OF US, AND IS HAVING AGGRAVATION. HE JUST WANTED TO PAY OFF HIS THING IS -- I MEAN, I JUST GOT TO SPEAK UP FOR HIM, BECAUSE

WHO ELSE WILL, YOU KNOW? SO I WOULD LIKE TO TREAT ALL OF THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE THESE OLD CLAIMS SIMILARLY AND IF THE GUY WERE WATCHING IT TODAY, I COULD IMAGINE HIS AGGRAVATION GOING MUCH HIGHER. SO I WAS TRYING TO LOOK FOR THE EMAIL. I CAN'T REMEMBER HIS NAME.\r\n\r\nBUT MEMBER UU-HODGINS KNOWS WHERE I'M COMING FROM. >> THANK YOU. LET ME ADDRESS THAT. WE HAVE REQUESTED IF A SPECIAL SESSION CAN BE SCHEDULED FOR GREAT, SO WE CAN ADDRESS ALL OF THOSE CLAIMS THAT ARE PENDING RIGHT NOW. WE KNOW SOME OF THEM ARE -- I DON'T WANT TO SAY STALE, PAST DUE RESOLUTION. I'M NOT SURE WHY THESE THREE AND NOT OTHER THREE, HOW IT CAME UP? WE ARE TRYING TO GET THROUGH THESE, AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, AND HOPEFULLY, WE CAN HAVE LIKE A CLAIMS MEETING, JUST TO HAVE A LOT OF THEM ADDRESSED, INCLUDING THE INDIVIDUAL YOU ARE SPEAKING OF.\r\n\r\n>> SO YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH THIS CASE THEN TORI? THE CASE THAT MEMBER PALTIN BROUGHT UP? >> I'M NOT SURE WHICH INDIVIDUAL, BUT I KNOW THAT I WAS JUST EMAILED FROM ONE OF MY DEPUTIES, BECAUSE I ASKED FOR A LIST OF ALL THE CLAIMS AND OTHER CASES THAT WE NEED TO GET ON THE GREAT CALENDAR, AND THERE ARE QUITE A FEW THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED. THAT IS WHY I SENT AN EMAIL REQUESTING IF A SPECIAL SESSION COULD BE SCHEDULED TO DEAL WITH ALL OF THEM? >> MEMBER KAMA. >> I WOULD AGREE TO A SPECIAL SESSION APART FROM TODAY OF ALL OF THOSE CLAIMS. AND WE JUST TAKE CARE OF ALL OF THEM, LIKE WE DID DURING THE CONFIRMATION AND BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.\r\n\r\nAND I GUESS WHENEVER CHAIR DECIDES SHE WANTS TO HOLD IT, WE'LL DO IT. I KIND OF FEELING LIKE MEMBER PALTIN, THAT WE ALL GOT THAT SAME MESSAGE AND WE'RE ALL STILL WAITING. SO TO BE FAIR TO EVERYBODY, WE SHOULD DO IT ALL AT THE SAME TIME WITH EVERYBODY, JUST TAKE ALL OF THE CLAIMS AT ONE TIME. >> YES. >> CHAIR? >> MEMBER UU-HODGINS. >> THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nING THAT, MEMBER PALTIN FOR BRINGING THAT UP, YOU'RE RIGHT. IF I WAS WATCHING AND I WAS HIM, I WOULD BE PRETTY UPSET. I'M HAPPY TO HAVE THESE REFERRED. I'M HAPPY TO HAVE A SPECIAL MEETING TO GET ALL OF THESE DONE AS MEMBER KAMA LIKES TO SAY ALL THE TIME EXPEDITIOUSLY. [LAUGHTER ]. >> ALL RIGHT, MEMBERS, IF THERE'S NO OBJECTIONS, WE'LL REFER RESOLUTION 23-85, 86,87 AND 88 TO THE GREAT COMMITTEE. >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> I'M SORRY, I THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO PERHAPS SUSPEND RULE 7G AND ADDRESS THE THREE CLAIMS.\r\n\r\n>> WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THAT IN COMMITTEE, I BELIEVE. >> I ASKED IF THERE'S ANY OBJECTIONS TO THAT? ANY OBJECTIONS TO REFERRING THE FOUR RESOS TO THE GREAT COMMITTEE AND I DIDN'T SEE ANY OBJECTIONS. >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> SO ORDERED. CORP. COUNSEL, I'M SURE SHE IS GOING TO TAKE IT UP AS SOON AS SHE CAN AND WE'LL TAKE IT ALL UP AT THE SAME TIME, AND WE'LL TRY TO ADDRESS THE ENTIRE BACKLOG.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, COUNCIL CHAIR. I BELIEVE IT SHOULD BE DONE QUICKLY, BECAUSE THEY ARE -- THE CLAIMS AT LEAST WE DON'T HAVE TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR. SO WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO BE TAKEN CARE OF EXPEDITIOUSLY. THANK YOU. >> GREAT. SO DO WE HAVE THE NEXT ONE IS >> RESOLUTION 23-99, >> OKAY. >> APPROVING THE HAWAII STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES' OFFICERS AND ALTERNATES.\r\n\r\n>> THIS IS GREAT COMMITTEE? >> I MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-99. >> SECOND. >> MOVED BY MEMBER PALTIN, SECONDED BY MEMBER KAMA. MEMBER KAMA, DO YOU WANT TO BE REFERRED TO AS PRO TEM KAMA? OR MEMBER KAMA? >> I THINK IT'S EASIER JUST TO SAY MEMBER, SO IT'S MEMBER, MEMBER, MEMBER. >> OKAY.\r\n\r\nI DON'T WANT TO INSULT YOU OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. BUT I GET SO USED TO SAYING THINGS. >> TASHA IS FINE. >> NOT TASHA, [LAUGHTER ]MOVED BY MEMBER PALTIN AND SECONDED BY MEMBER KAMA TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23 -99. ANY DISCUSSION IN MEMBER PALTIN. >> THE PURPOSE OF THIS RESOLUTION IS IT TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS OF OFFICERS AND ALTERNATES TO THE HSAC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THE HSAC COMMITTEE HAS APPROVED THE FOLLOWING PROPOSES SLATE OF OFFICERS AND ALTERNATES, PRESIDENT KAUA'I COUNTY COUNCIL, THE HONORABLE BERNARD P CARVALHO, JR. AND THE HONORABLE BILL DECOSTA AS ALTERNATE.\r\n\r\nVICE PRESIDENT, MAUI COUNTY COUNCIL, THE HONORABLE TAMARA PALTIN AND HONORABLE SHANE M. SINENCI AS ALTERNATE. SECRETARY HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL, HONORABLE TOMMY WATERS AND HONORABLE TYLER DOS SANTOS-TAM ALTERNATE AND TREASURER, HAWAII COUNTY THE HONORABLE HEATHER KIMBALL AND HONORABLE JENNIFER KAGIWADA ALTERNATE. THIS IS SOMEWHAT TIME-SENSITIVE, BECAUSE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS MEETING IN-PERSON AT THE STATE LEGISLATURE. I BELIEVE

MARCH 20TH, AND THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE -- TO HAVE SLATE CONFIRMED BY THE VARIOUS COUNCILS BEFORE MEETING WITH THE LEGISLATORS. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR THE MOTION, RAISE YOUR HAND, SAY AYE? >> AYE.\r\n\r\n>> OKAY. NINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES. MS. CLERK. >> CHAIR FOR REFERRAL TO YOUR BUDGET, FINANCE, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, IS RESOLUTION 23-100, AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF AN UNENCUMBERED APPROPRIATION BALANCE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET. >> ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE REFERRAL TO THE BFED COMMITTEE? >> NO OBJECTIONS.\r\n\r\n>> SO ORDERED. >> CHAIR BEFORE YOU IS RESOLUTION 23-105, SUPPORTING MAUI COUNTY'S HEALTH CARE WORKERS AND URGING MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM TO RESOLVE THE LABOR DISPUTE WITH THEM. >> MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I MOVE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-105. >> SECOND. >> MOVED BY MEMBER JOHNSON, SECOND BY MEMBER CAMA TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 23-105. DISCUSSION, MEMBER JOHNSON. >> CHAIR, I WOULD LIKE TO READ THE RESOLUTION IN ITS ENTIRETY SURE.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU RESOLUTION 23-105 SUPPORTING MAUI COUNTY HEALTH CARE WORKERS AND URGING MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM IS TO RESOLVE THE LABOR DISPUTE WITH THEM. WHEREAS, ON FEBRUARY 22, 2023, NEARLY 500 NURSES' ADES, RESPIRATORY THERAPISTS, EMERGENCY-ROOM TECHNICIANS, MAINTENANCE WORKERS, TRANSPORTERS, HOUSEKEEPERS, COOKS AND DIETITIANS AND OTHER WORKS AT MAUI MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, KULA HOSPITAL, KULA CLINIC AND LANA'I COMMUNITY HOSPITAL WALKED OUT AND BEGAN ORGANIZED PICKETING AT ALL THREE LOCATIONS; AND WHEREAS, 97.6 OF THESE WORKERS REPRESENTED BY THE UNITED PUBLIC WORKERS AFSCME LOCAL 646 AFL-CIO VOTED TO AUTHORIZE THE STRIKE ON FEBRUARY 10, 2023 AND AFTER NINE MONTHS' OF CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS, AND SUBSEQUENT MEDIATION FAILED; AND WHEREAS, THE WORKERS ON STRIKE ARE FIGHTING FOR FAIR AND REASONABLE WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS; AND WHEREAS, THE WORKERS ON STRIKE ARE ESSENTIAL AND HEROIC FRONTLINE WORKERS WHO HAVE BEEN THE BACKBONE TO MAUI COUNTY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, WORKING TIRELESSLY THROUGH THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, WITHOUT RECEIVING HAZARD PAY; AND WHEREAS, MAUI MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, KULA HOSPITAL, KULA CLINIC AND LANA'I COMMUNITY HOSPITAL ARE OPERATED BY MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM, A KAISER FOUNDATION HOSPITAL, LLC.; AND WHEREAS, RESOLUTION 20-76 "SUPPORTING MAUI COUNTY HEALTH CARE WORKERS FIRST-RESPONDERS AND OTHER ESSENTIAL WORKERS AT THE FRONT LINES OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC," URGED EMPLOYERS TO ADD HAZARD PAY AND ENSURE ADEQUATE WORKPLACE PROTECTION FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS AND EXPRESSED DEEP APPRECIATION TO ESSENTIAL HEALTH CARE WORKERS ON BEHALF OF THE GRATEFUL CITIZENRY"; AND WHEREAS, ACCORDING TO A 2021 WASHINGTON POST KAISER FAMILY FOUNDATION POLL, ROUGHLY THREE IN TEN HEALTH CARE WORKERS HAVE CONSIDERED LEAVING THEIR PROFESSION, AND ABOUT SIX IN TEN HEALTH CARE WORKERS SAY "STRESS FROM THE PANDEMIC HAS HARMED THEIR MENTAL HEALTH; AND WHEREAS, IN A MARCH 7, 2023 BLOG POST, MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM STATED, THIS THAT "WE ARE WITH JUGGLING AN OUTFLOW OF EMPLOYEES AND RECRUITMENT STRATEGIES TO FILL VACANCIES." AND IDENTIFIED THE STRAIN OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND HIGH COST OF LIVING IN HAWAII AS REASONS FOR VACANCIES; AND WHEREAS, ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE -- ACCESS TO CARE HAWAII, A JULY 2022 REPORT PUBLISHED BY COMMUNITY FIRST HAWAII FOUND A DESPERATE NEED FOR HOME BROKEN TALENT IN HEALTH CARE OCCUPATIONS AND RECOMMENDED INCREASED SALARY ACROSS THE HEALTH CARE SPECTRUM AS A STRATEGY FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT; AND WHEREAS, INFLATION AND COST OF LIVING CONTINUE TO RISE IN MAUI COUNTY AS SHOWN BY THE 2022 ALOHA UNITED WAY STUDY THAT FOUND MORE THAN HALF OF MAUI COUNTY HOUSEHOLDS LIVE BELOW THE AVERAGE INCOME NEEDED TO AFFORD THE HOUSEHOLD SURVIVAL BUDGET; AND WHEREAS, THE MAK COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY PUBLISHED BY MAUI ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LAST YEAR STATED WAGES ARE NOT MATCHING THE COST OF THE LIVING OR THE IMPORTANCE OF THE HEALTH CARE ROLE,"; AND WHEREAS, FAIR WAGES AND ATTRACTIVE WORKING CONDITIONS FOR HEALTH CARE WORKERS AT MAUI MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, KULA HOSPITAL, KULA CLINIC AND LANA'I COMMUNITY HOSPITAL WOULD ADDRESS THE WEAK, IN THE COUNTY'S HEALTH CARE AND WELLNESS SECTOR IDENTIFIED BY THE MAUI ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION; AND WHEREAS, JANUARY 17, 2023 BLOG POST MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM REPORTED THAT MAUI MEMORIAL

MEDICAL CENTER, THE COUNTY'S ONLY ACUTE CARE HOSPITAL IS EXPERIENCING A HIGH NUMBER OF PATIENTS; AND WHEREAS, THE UNITED PUBLIC WORKERS UNION HAS NOTIFIED MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM THROUGH A FEDERAL MEDIATOR THAT THEY ARE AVAILABLE TO MEET AND CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS AT NEW TIME; AND WHEREAS, SWIFT AND FAIR RESOLUTION TO THIS LABOR DISPUTE IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE HEALTH CARE WORKERS ON STRIKE AND THE HEALTH, WELLNESS, AND SAFETY OF RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI: 1, THAT IT SUPPORTS MAUI COUNTY HEALTH CARE WORKERS AND URGES MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM TO RESOLVE THE LABOR DISPUTE WITH THEM, AND 2, THAT IT EXPRESSES APPRECIATION, AND GRATITUDE TO MAUI COUNTY ESSENTIAL AND HEROIC HEALTH CARE WORKERS AND NO. 3, THAT IT SUPPORTS FAIR WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR MAUI COUNTY HEALTH CARE WORKERS, NO. 4, THAT IT URGES MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM TO PRESUME GOOD-FAITH NEGOTIATIONS AND PROVIDE FAIR CONTRACT WITH MEMBERS OF THE UNITED PUBLIC WORKERS AFSCME LOCAL 646 AND AFL-CIO AND NO. 5, THAT CERTIFIED COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO THE HONORABLE JOSH GREEN, M.D., GOVERNOR STATE OF HAWAII; KENNETH S. FINK MD, MGA, MPH ACTING DIRECTOR OF HEALTH, STATE OF HAWAII; KERRY WATSON, INTERIM CEO, MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM; THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM; GREG ADAMS CHAIR, PRESIDENT AND CEO, KAISER HOSPITAL FOUNDATION; KALANI WERNER, STATE DIRECTOR, UNITED PUBLIC WORKERS, AFSCME LOCAL 646, AFL-CIO; AND THE HONORABLE RICHARD T. BISSEN, JR., MAYOR, COUNTY OF MAUI." >> DISCUSSION? >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. MEMBERS AT THIS MOMENT, 500 OF OUR COUNTY'S ESSENTIAL HEALTH CARE WORKERS ARE GOING WITHOUT PAY BECAUSE OF THE ACTIONS OF MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM.\r\n\r\nTHE PEOPLE ON THE PICKET LINE INCLUDE TECHNICIANS, NURSES' AIDES, HOUSE KEEPERS, MAINTENANCE WORKERS, COOKS AND OTHER ESSENTIAL EMPLOYEES OF OUR COUNTY'S ONLY ACUTE CARE HOSPITAL. SOON AFTER THE STRIKE WAS ANNOUNCED I VISITED THE WORKERS ON PICKET AND THE STORIES I HEARD WERE DEEPLY TOUCHING. YOU HAVE HEARD MANY OF THE STORIES TODAY IN TESTIMONY. WORKERS HAVE DEDICATED DECADES' OF SERVICE, BEING OFFERED LESS PAY THAN NEW-HIRES. FOLKS BEING UNDERAPPRECIATED WHEN THEIR LIVE'S NOBLE WORK IS TO PROVIDE HUMAN TOUCH TO OUR MOST SICK BY PROVIDING CLEAN LINENS A WARM MEAL AND FUNCTIONAL FACILITIES. TECHNICIANS AND AIDES ON THE FRONT LINE OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC RISKED THEIR OWN HEALTH TO OUR COMMUNITY CAN RECEIVE CARE WITHOUT RECEIVING HAZARD PAY. PAYS THAT DO NOT KEEP UP WITH INFLATION AND COST OF LIVING AND WHICH ARE NOT COMPETITIVE IN THE COMPARISON TO WAGES OF OTHER STATES, OR EVEN WAGES OFFERED HERE, NOW BIG-BOX STORES LIKE TARGETS OR CHAINS LIKE CHICK-FIL-A. THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE, OUR WORKERS AND RESIDENTS AND NEIGHBORS ARE ESSENTIAL FRONT LINE H&R BLOCK WORKERS DESERVE BETTER.\r\n\r\nTHEY ARE OUR BACKBONE AND THEY CARRIED US THROUGH THE WORST OF PANDEMIC. THEY STOOD UP FOR US, AND NOW IT'S TIME FOR US TO TAKE THE STAND FOR THEM. IN 2020, MANY OF US HERE TODAY VOTED TO PASS RESOLUTION 20-76, WHICH EXPRESSES DEEP GRATITUDE TO OUR HEALTH CARE WORKERS AN URGED EMPLOYEES TO PROVIDE HAZARD PAY AND I REITERATE THAT CALL AND URGE MAUI HEALTH TO CREATE ITS WORKERS WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT, THE LAST ORGANIZATION'S OWNERS -- THESE LARGE ORGANIZATIONS OWNERS ARE NOT CONNECTED TO THIS PLACE AND IT SHOWS IN HOW THEY TREAT OUR PEOPLE, OUR LIFELINE. I WILL SAY IT AGAIN, THESE WORKERS ARE THE BACKBONE OF OUR HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, AND, IN FACT I WOULD SAY THEY ARE THE HEART OF THE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, AND THEY DESERVE THE RESPECT, AND TO BE CARED FOR. MOTHERS, AUNTIES, UNCLES, WE'RE ALL TALKING ABOUT THEIR LIVELIHOODS, THEY'RE BEING OUTPRICED AND STRUGGLING. ALL WHILE WORKING HARD TO SUPPORT US AND TO TAKE CARE OF US. THEIR WORK IS ESSENTIAL.\r\n\r\nTHESE WORKERS ARE ESSENTIAL. MAUI HEALTH MUST RETURN TO NEGOTIATIONS IN GOOD FAITH AND PROVIDE ESSENTIAL WORKERS WITH A CONTRACT THAT THEY DESERVE. I ASK FOR THE MEMBERS' FULL SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION? MEMBER PALTIN . THANK YOU, CHAIR. I'M IN FULL SUPPORT OF THE THIS MOTION. I HAVE BEEN GETTING REACHED OUT TO FROM MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY, PLENTY OF FOLKS ARE GIVING BIRTH AND MY STEP-DAUGHTER GAVE BIRTH FEBRUARY 25TH WITH AN EMERGENCY C-SECTION AND THEY SENT HER HOME EARLY AND WHILE SHE WAS THERE, THEY WANTED HER TO EAT, BUT THEY WERE ONLY OFFERING JUICE AND JELL-O.

YOU KNOW, I'M GETTING TAGGED ON FACEBOOK ABOUT THE LINENS NOT BEING CLEANED.\r\n\r\nTHEY ARE SUPPOSED TO BE WASHED IN A HIGH TEMPERATURE WITH SPECIAL SANITIZING CHEMICALS, AND THEY ARE JUST USING LOCAL LAUNDRY MATS. YOU KNOW, IF YOU REMEMBER DURING COVID, PLENTY OF PEOPLE THAT WORKED AT THE HOSPITAL FROM WEST MAUI WERE REACHING OUT TO ME THAT THEY WERE AFRAID AND THEY WEREN'T ALLOWED TO WEAR MASKS BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T WANT TO HYSTERIA AND THEY HAD TO WEAR SPECIFIC HOSPITAL MASKS THAT WERE GETTING REUSED INSTEAD OF HOSPITAL GRADE N-95 THAT WERE BOUGHT ON AMAZON. IT'S ONLY YOU CAN SAY IT'S BECAUSE OF CRISIS, BUT IT'S DISRESPECT AND MS MANAGEMENT. WE ONLY HAVE THE ONE HOSPITAL WITH THE OPERATING ROOM ON MAUI. THE GRASSROOTS INSTITUTE PRAISED THIS PRIVATIZATION OF OUR HOSPITAL. BUT NOW A FEW YEARS LATER, IT JUST GOES TO SHOW THAT WAS THE WRONG MOVE. YOU CAN'T COMPROMISE WHEN IT COMES TO COMMUNITY HEALTH IN THIS POST-OR DURING COVID AND EVERYTHING ELSE.\r\n\r\nTHE LAST THING WE WANT TO DO IS BE UNSANITARY. HOW CAN YOU BE A PLACE OF HEALTH, WHEN YOU ARE NOT LOOKING OUT FOR THE WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE WITH NUTRITIOUS FOODS IN THE LOBBY THEY WERE SAYING PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL DIETS. IT DOESN'T MATTER, EVERYBODY IS GETTING THE SAME FOOD, IF IT'S MEATLOAF, IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU HAVE HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE OR WHATEVER. THAT IS WHAT THEY'RE SERVING. SO THIS IS A SHAME IT'S COME TO THIS POINT ON MAUI. AND YOU KNOW, I KNOW IT'S MOSTLY IN THE HANDS OF THE STATE TO REGULATE THE HOSPITAL, BUT WHATEVER WE CAN DO, I THINK WE SHOULD MEET WITH OUR STATE LEGISLATORS AND STATE REP AND SAY THIS ISN'T WORKING WHATEVER YOU CALL IT, KAISER ISN'T WORKING. I GOT THE GLOSSY FOLDER WITH SMILING PEOPLE AND THAT IS THE SAME AS WHAT WAS DONE DURING COVID.\r\n\r\nALL OF THESE PEOPLE ARE SENDING MESSAGES, THEY ARE SCARED TO LOSE THEIR JOB, BUT THEY ARE SCARED TO GO TO WORK, TOO. HE CAME DOWN AND HE IS OH, IT'S ALL GREAT, YOU KNOW? AND SAME THING WITH THE GLOSSY BROCHURE. YOU KNOW, EVERYBODY IS ALL SMILING, AND IT LOOKS GREAT AND FUN, BUT WE HEAR DIFFERENT STORY FROM THE PEOPLE ON THE GROUND. SO IT'S JUST ENOUGH IS ENOUGH ALREADY WITH THIS -- WHAT THEY GOT GOING ON OVER THERE. THANK YOU. THANK YOU.\r\n\r\nOTHER MEMBERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO SAY SOMETHING? VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I, TOO, STAND IN STRONG SUPPORT OF THIS RESOLUTION. MIX AND REPRESENTATIVE TROY HASHIMOTO LAST WEEK SATURDAY WE WENT AND WALKED IN FRONT OF THE HOSPITAL, AND THE UPW MEMBERS WERE SO ENTHUSIASTIC, AND TELLING US -- WELL, THEY WERE SO STRONG IN TELLING US THE STORIES OF WHAT THEY HAVE GONE THROUGH AND THEIR PLIGHT. AND TODAY WE'RE HEARING MORE. I DO KNOW THIS IS -- WE ARE SENDING OUR SUPPORT, BUT TRULY THE ORGANIZATION, OR THE ENTITY THAT HAS THE MOST INFLUENCE ON THIS IS THE STATE.\r\n\r\nAND THEY WOULD HAVE THE FUNDS, AND BE ABLE TO NEGOTIATE AND SUPPORT THE UNION. BUT I BELIEVE THAT WHAT WE'RE DOING TODAY, AS I WAS WALKING WITH THEM IN THE PICKET LINE, THEY WERE THANKING US FOR EVEN SHOWING UP. I OWE THEM DOUGHNUTS. WE TOOK WATER AND DRINKS AND I SAID I HAVE TO COME BACK AND YOU THOUGHT I MIGHT NOT MAKE IT BACK IF THEY SETTLE; RIGHT? BUT I GUESS THEY CAN'T SETTLE AS KALANI WERNER, THE PRESIDENT SHARED WITH US TODAY. MORE TO COME AND I THINK TROY AND I WILL BE THERE AGAIN THIS WEEKEND. THANK YOU.\r\n\r\n>> ANYBODY ELSE? MEMBER KAMA. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I TOO, RISE IN STRONG SUPPORT AND THANKING MEMBER JOHNSON FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD, AND FOR ALL OF OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE AN ACTIVELY ENGAGED WITH OUR UPW WORKERS. BUT I WOULD ECHO WHAT WAS SHARED THIS MORNING WITH ONE OF OUR TESTIMONIES, WITH WHAT MEMBER TAMARA PALTIN HAS SAID, THAT WE REALLY NEED TO TALK TO OUR OWN STATE REPRESENTS AND ALL OF OUR DISTRICTS. BECAUSE THESE ARE ALL OUR CONSTITUENTS. EVERY MEMBER OF OUR HOUSE, AND EVERY MEMBER OF OUR SENATE, THESE ARE ALL OF THEIR PEOPLE.\r\n\r\nTHESE ARE ALL OF OUR PEOPLE AND THEREFORE, WE CAN ONLY GO TO BAT SO MUCH, SO I THINK WE REALLY ALL OF US, EVERY ONE OF US NEED TO CALL OUR STATE REPS TO TELL THEM ABOUT THIS SITUATION, BECAUSE ONLY THEY CAN MOVE THE NEEDLE, TO WHERE THE NEEDLE NEEDS TO BE. WE CAN HELP BY ENCOURAGING IT AND HELPING THEM TO MOVE THAT FORWARD BY SUPPORTING THEM. SO I SUPPORT THIS RESO. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> THANK YOU. ANYBODY ELSE? MEMBER UU-HODGINS, THEN MR.\r\n\r\nCOOK. >> I WOULD LOVE TO SPEAK, BUT MEMBER SINENCI HAD HIS HAND UP FOR QUITE A WHILE. I WILL LET THEM

KNOW AND THEN I WILL GO. >> MEMBER SINENCI, SORRY. >> THAT IS OKAY, CHAIR. MAHALO, MEMBER UU-HODGINS AND MAHALO TO MEMBER JOHNSON FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD TODAY FOR US TO CONSIDER. CHAIR, YESTERDAY WE RECEIVED A LESSON FROM KUMU CLAY KOA, DESCRIBING RACISM AS WHEN A MINORITY BENEFITS FINANCIALLY FROM THE TRAUMA AND SUFFERING OF OTHERS.\r\n\r\nKAISER SHOULD NOT BE TRYING TO PROFIT OFF OF OUR HEALTH CARE SYSTEM BY SQUEEZING THE PAY OF EMPLOYEES AND JEOPARDIZING OUR PATIENTS' CARE. KAISER SHOULD PAY OUR NURSES, AND OUR MEDICAL PERSONNEL THE EQUAL PAY THAT THEY PAY THEIR MAINLAND WORKERS. WHEN KAISER TOOK OVER MANAGEMENT OF OUR HOSPITALS, THEY PROMISED THE STATE THAT THEY WOULD PROVIDE QUALITY PATIENT CARE. HOWEVER, THEY'RE ACTIONS TO UNDERPAY MEDICAL STAFF IS CONTRARY TO THAT PURPOSE AND HEARD THAT KAISER FAILED TO PROVIDE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES THAT PROMPTED THOSE TO DROP THEIR KAISER COVERAGE. KAISER WASN'T THE ONLY BIDDER TO MANAGE OUR MEDICAL SYSTEM. SO PERHAPS THIS MAY BE THE TIME FOR THE STATE TO REASSESS AND REEVALUATE THE CONTRACT WITH KAISER IN ORDER TO BETTER SERVE OUR KUPUNA, AND OUR RESIDENTS. THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nI'M IN SUPPORT. >> THANK YOU. >> MEMBER UU-HODGINS. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. I WON'T SPEAK TOO MUCH AND WE WENT DOWN THERE, MEMBER COOK AND I AND IT WAS RATHER EMOTIONAL AS YOU HEARD TEED. SO I WANT TO THANK MEMBER JOHNSON FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD AND TO THANK EVERYBODY WHO IS STRONG ENOUGH TO PICKET IN A TIME LIKE TODAY, AS SHE WAS SAYING EARLIER. WE LIVE IN THE MOST EXPENSIVE STATE.\r\n\r\nTHEY DON'T GET PAID FAIR AND THEY DO WHAT THEY DO, BECAUSE THEY LOVE THEIR COMMUNITY. THEY COULD WORK ANYWHERE ELSE AND DO A SIMILAR JOB AND GET PAID MORE MONEY. IF THEY DIDN'T LOVE WHAT THEY DO, WE WOULD BE SEVERELY AFFECTED. MAYBE WE CAN'T NECESSARILY AFFORD IT STAY AT HOSPITALS, BUT IF SOMETHING BOS WRONG WE HAVE TO STAY AT THE MOST EXPENSIVE HOSPITAL, WE HAVE AND FOR THEM TO BE PAID UNFAIRLY IS AN UNBELIEVABLE SHAME. MY GRAND MOTHER WAS A UPW STEWARD WHO WORKED WITH THEM, THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. MEMBER COOK.\r\n\r\n>> I WANT TO THANK MEMBER JOHNSON FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. ALL OF THE TESTIMONY FROM THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS, THE UPW WORKERS, WHO ARE BEING SO MISTREATED, SPOKE WE LOUDLY. THE FACT THAT THEY ARE NOT BEING DEALT WITH -- THE MEDIATION IS NOT BEING DEALT FAIRLY AND THE LAWS AREN'T BEING FOLLOWED. AND ALTHOUGH IT'S A STATE HOSPITAL, IT IS MAUI COUNTY'S PRIMARY HOSPITAL, AND IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE ADMINISTRATION TO SEND A VERY LOUD MESSAGE TO THE STATE THAT WE NEED THEIR OVERSIGHT PROMPTLY, AND FIRMLY. THANK YOU. >> >> ANYONE ELSE? MEMBER JOHNSON.\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR, IF I MAY JUST A FINAL COMMENT? >> SURE. >> I LEARNED ON THE PICKET LINE THAT THE HOSPITAL IS AT 120% OCCUPANCY, AND THE WORKERS ARE GETTING PAID STARVATION WAGES. I HAVE A MESSAGE FOR THOSE FOLKS ON PICKET LINE, STAY STRONG, STAY STRONG BROTHERS AND SISTERS, THE CARS DON'T GO WITHOUT GASOLINE AND THE WORKERS ARE THE GASOLINE. NO GAS, NO-GO, NO WORKERS, IT DOESN'T GO. SO PLEASE STAND STRONG ON THE PICKET LINE. MAHALO, CHAIR.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ANYBODY ELSE? I, TOO, WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU MEMBER JOHNSON AND YOUR STAFF FOR ALL THE HARD WORK YOU DID WITH THIS RESOLUTION. IT'S NOT ONLY THE RESOLUTION, IT'S WHAT YOU HAVE DONE TO GIVE THE WORKERS HOPE AND INSPIRATION, AND THAT IS VERY IMPORTANT. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND AND SAY AYE? >> AYE. >> NINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU, MEMBERS. THANK YOU, MR. JOHNSON. MS. CLERK. >> CHAIR, YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU FOR REFERRAL TO THE HOUSING AND LAND USE COMMITTEE RESO 23-106, REFERRING TO THE MAUI PLANNING COMMISSION A PROPOSED BILL TO AMEND THE STATE LAND USE DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION FROM AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO URBAN DISTRICT CONDITIONAL BOUNDARY AMENDMENT FOR 9.798 ACRES SITUATED AT 17:07 WAIEHU, MAUI, HAWAII TAX MAP KEY (2)3-3-001:106. >> MEMBERS ANY OBJECTIONS TO REFERRING THIS TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION? >> NO OBJECTIONS.\r\n\r\n>> NO OBJECTIONS. MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO. YOU SAID TO REFERRING TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION. DID YOU MEAN HLU COMMITTEE? >> YES. >> HLU.\r\n\r\n>> SORRY. HLU. >> OKAY. JUST MAKING SURE. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? IF NOT, SO ORDERED.\r\n\r\nMOVING ON TO L. >> CHAIR YOU HAVE NOTHING BEFORE THE BODY ON RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND AND FINAL

READING. ON SECTION M, BILLS. THERE'S A TESTIFIER PRESENT IN CHAMBERS. >> AT THIS TIME INDIVIDUALS MAY TESTIFY ON THE BILLS LISTED IN SECTION M OF THE AGENDA. THE ONLY TESTIFIER TO SIGN UP FOR THIS IS LAWRENCE CARNICELLI, PLEASE, GO AHEAD. >> GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR, MEMBERS. LAUREN CARNICELLI VICE PRESIDENT OF -- I REPRESENT THE APPLICANT ON THE PROPERTIES.\r\n\r\nTHIS IS A BILL THAT IS THE COMPANION TO -- WHY AM I FORGETTING THE NAME OF MY OWN PROJECT? THIS THE COMPANION TO THAT THAT PASSED UNANIMOUSLY OUT OF COMMITTEE LAST YEAR. SIX MONTHS AGO, THE DISTRICT BOUNDARY AMENDMENT WAS SANTO THE MAUI PLANNING COMMISSION FOR COMMENT. ALMOST SIX MONTHS AGO, TEN DAYS SHORT OF SIX MONTHS AND FINALLY MADE ITS WAY BACK TO YOU. I HAVE SUBMITTED A POWERPOINT PRESENTATION IF YOU WOULD LIKE ME TO BO THROUGH IT. THE TWO NEW MEMBERS HAVE COVERED IT AS WELL. I'M HERE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ACTUAL DISTRICT BOUNDARY AMENDMENT ITSELF?\r\n\r\nI'M ALSO ASKING IF THIS MIGHT BE ABLE TO BE HEARD HERE TODAY? WITH BUDGET COMING UP, IF IT'S REFERRED TO COMMITTEE, MOST LIKELY IT DOESN'T GET DONE UNTIL JUNE. AND THIS IS OUR LAST DISCRETIONARY HURDLE. IT'S BEEN A LONG ROAD. WE'RE TRYING TO BUILD HOMES FOR SOME FOLKS AND THIS IS THE LAST HURDLE WE NEED FROM YOU ALL. SO I JUST RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER HEARING IT HERE ON THE FLOOR TODAY, AND IF YOU DO, YOU LOOK UPON IT FAVORABLY. SO THANK YOU, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU, MEMBERS. >> QUESTIONS, MEMBERS? MEMBER PALTIN. >> I WAS WONDERING IF YOU COULD SUMMARIZE THEN, I WASN'T PREPARED TO PASS THIS ON THE FLOOR. WHAT WERE THE COMMENTS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION IN BOTH GOOD AND BAD? AND WHAT WAS THE CONCLUSION WITH THE ROUNDABOUT? >> THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION, I THINK THAT IS THE PRESSING THING.\r\n\r\nTHE MAUI PLANNING COMMISSION VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO SUPPORT THE DISTRICT BOUNDARY AMENDMENT WITH TWO CAVEATS. ONE WAS THAT IT BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESOLUTION THAT WAS PASSED, 100% WORKFORCE. AND THAT TWO, IT REMAIN IN SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE WITH THE REPRESENTATIONS THAT WERE MADE BEFORE THIS BODY, AND BEFORE THEM. SO THOSE WERE THE TWO CAVEATS THAT THEY PUT TO THEIR RECOMMENDATION FOR SUPPORT. >> NO ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS? >> NONE. >> AND THE ROUNDABOUT?\r\n\r\nDID -- >> I'M SORRY, THE ROUND ABOUT IS STILL IN THE HANDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. IT'S THEIR INTERSECTION. IT'S THE COUNTY'S INTERSECTION. SO OUR -- WE'VE RETAINED THE TRAFFIC ENGINEERS TO HELP WITH THE STUDIES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, BUT ULTIMATELY, THEY MAKE THE DECISION AS TO WHAT SORT OF TRAFFIC CONTROL MEASURES GO ON AT THAT INTERSECTION. WE'LL JUST ABIDE BY WHATEVER THAT THEY SAY THAT THEY WOULD LIKE. >> THE PLANNING COMMISSION DIDN'T HAVE ANY COMMENTS ON THE ROUNDABOUT? >> NO, MA'AM.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHAIR. >> ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM ANYBODY? MEMBER SINENCI, I DON'T EVEN SEE YOU ON THE LINE. MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ >> MAHALO, CHAIR. ALOHA, MR. CARNICELLI.\r\n\r\nI DON'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR YOU RIGHT NOW, BUT MR. CARNICELLI OFFERED TO BE A RESOURCE PERSON WHEN THE ITEM COMES UP, IF THERE'S QUESTIONS. LIKE I SAID, I DON'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS NOW, BUT PERHAPS I MIKE, WHEN THE ITEM COMES UP, IF THERE'S NO OBJECTIONS. >> NO OBJECTIONS TO HAVE MR. CARNICELLI BE A RESOURCE PERSON? >> NO OBJECTIONS, CHAIR ALL RIGHT. >> MAHALO, CHAIR.\r\n\r\nLAST CALL FOR TESTIMONY, COUNTING DOWN, 3, 2, 1. CHAIR, THERE IS NO ONE ELSE TO TESTIFY. >> MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO CLOSING PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND ACCEPTING WRITTEN TESTIMONY ON THIS ITEM? ON THIS SECTION? >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> SO ORDERED. MS. CLERK.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU, CHAIR, BEFORE YOU BILL 127 (2022) ENTITLED, "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE STATE LAND USE DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION FROM AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO, DISTRICT CONDITIONAL BOUNDARY AMENDMENT FOR PROPERTY SITUATED WAILUKU, MAUI, HAWAII TAX MAP KEY NOS. (2)3-5-002: 003 (POR) CONTAINING A TOTAL OF 14.97 ACRES." >> MEMBER KAMA. >> CHAIR I MOVE TO WAIVE RULE 7G REQUIREMENT FOR COMMITTEE REFERRAL AND COMMITTEE REPORT FOR BILL 137. >> SECOND. >> MOVED BY MEMBER KAMA, SECOND BY MEMBER SUGIMURA TO WAIVE RULE 7G. ANY DISCUSSION ON THIS ITEM? >> MEMBERS, APPROVAL OF THIS MOTION WOULD ALLOW US TO ADDRESS FIRST READING OF 24 BILL ON THE FLOOR OF THE COUNCIL AS REQUESTED BY THE APPLICANT IN HIS TESTIMONY OCTOBER 7, 2022 THE COUNCIL APPROVED THE KUIKAHI VILLAGE



WITH EIGHT AYES, ONE EXCUSED. THIS DISTRICT BOUNDARY AMENDMENT HAS RETURNED FROM PLANNING COMMISSION, AFTER SIX MONTHS OF WAITING, AND IT'S A FINAL LAND USE ENTITLEMENT WE NEED TO APPROVE SO THE APPLICANT CAN START APPLYING FOR CONSTRUCTION PERMITS. WE KNOW THAT GETTING MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING NOW IS A PRIORITY FOR OUR RESIDENTS.\r\n\r\nIT IS A VERY DEFINITION OF "URGENT." APPROVING THE WAIVER REDUCES THE TIMELINE FOR THIS ACTION. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION? IF NOT, THIS IS ON THE WAIVER. MEMBER PALTIN >> ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, RAISE YOUR HAND, SAY AYE? >> AYE. >> ALL AYES, MOTION PASSES. >> I MOVE TO APPROVE THE BILL ON FIRST READING AND ORDERED TO PRINT.\r\n\r\n>> SECOND. >> ADMINISTRATIVE BY MEMBER KAMA AND SECOND BY MEMBER SURG MARCH TO PASS BILL 127 ON FIRST READING. DISCUSSION, MEMBER CAMA? >> MEMBERS, APPROVAL OF THIS BILL WOULD CONFIRM REPRESENTATION FROM THE MAUI PLANNING COMMISSION, THAT THIS DISTRICT BOUNDARY AMENDMENT BE APPROVED. APPROVING THIS BILL WILL ACHIEVE THE FIRST STEP TO COMPLETE THE LAND USE PROCESS FOR THIS DESPERATELY NEEDED AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT, AND I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR SUPPORT OF MOTION. MEMBER PALTIN. >> I JUST HAVE ONE ADDITIONAL THING TO GO OVER WITH THE RESOURCE, IF THAT IS ALL RIGHT.\r\n\r\n>> SURE, MR. CARNICELLI. >> I WONDERED IF YOU COULD GIVE US A STATUS UPDATE ON THE RESERVOIR MAUKA OF THE PROJECT SITE, IF IT'S STILL DEFICIENT OR WHAT HAS BEEN DONE THE LAST SIX MONTHS FOR THE SAFETY OF THE RESIDENTS? >> THERE'S BEEN A LOT. WHERE WE'RE RIGHT NOW, I WILL SAY THIS WAILUKU WATER COMPANY IS NOW IN THE PROCESS OF DECOMMISSIONING THAT RESERVOIR. SO I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH I CAN SAY, OTHER THAN WAILUKU WATER COMPANY IS IN THE PROCESS OF DOING THAT. WE'RE HELPING THEM WITH THAT, AND WE'RE ALSO IN DISCUSSIONS WITH THE COUNTY, BECAUSE IT DOES AFFECT THE COUNTY.\r\n\r\nSO WE, OURSELVES, WAILUKU WATER COMPANY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS MEET NEXT WEEK ACTUALLY TO DISCUSS FURTHER MOVEMENT ON DECOMMISSIONING THAT THING AND DRAINING AND WE GET TO DEAL WITH IT IN A DIFFERENT WAY. >> SORRY, I DIDN'T PREP FOR THIS, BUT WASN'T THERE ALSO THE OTHER USERS OF THAT WATER THAT WAS AN ISSUE? LIKE KULEANA USERS, AND SORRY, I'M NOT FRESH ON THE THING. WE WANTED THEM TO DECOMMISSION, TO YAY. I KIND OF REMEMBER THERE WAS AN OBSTACLE THAT SOME OTHER FOLKS WERE GOING TO USE THAT WATER. HAS THAT BEEN RESOLVED OR STILL IN THE WORKS? >> THE RESERVOIR ITSELF IS NOT USED TO DELIVER THE WATER TO THE PEOPLE, SAY DOWNSTREAM, TOWARDS MA'ALAEA.\r\n\r\nI BELIEVE THERE'S 14 OR 17 DIFFERENT USERS OF WHICH I BELIEVE MAYBE MORE THAN HALF ARE KULEANA. SO THAT DOESN'T GET AFFECTED AT ALL. THE REAL USE -- I DON'T WANT TO GET TOO WONKY WITH YOU HERE, BUT THE REAL USE OF THE RESERVOIR, THE WATER COMES FROM 'EWA AND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY, AND THERE'S A TREATMENT PLANT AT THE TOP OF ALU THAT IS TREATED THERE. SOMETIMES THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER JUST SHUTS DOWN, AND WAILUKU WATER DOESN'T KNOW THAT. SO THAT IS THE OVERFLOW THAT GOES INTO RESERVOIR 10. NEW MEXICO THE WATER GETS BALANCED OUT. THAT IS SORT OF THE REASON FOR IT. THE OTHER THING THAT YOU THINK YOU MIGHT BE REMEMBERING IS THE RUN-OFF, THE STREET RUN-OFF FROM WAILUKU HEIGHTS PHASE 1 ALSO GOES INTO RESERVOIR 10. SO THAT IS PART OF THE REASON WHY WE HAVE TO HAVE THE CONVERSATIONS WITH THE COUNTY, IS BECAUSE THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC WORKS -- THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ALSO USES RESERVOIR 10 AS RETENTION FOR THE RUN-OFF OF PHASE 1 OF WAILUKU HEIGHTS.\r\n\r\nSO WE'RE JUST COORDINATING ALL OF THAT. WE HAVE TO DIG A DIFFERENT HOLE IN THE GROUND FOR THAT RUN-OFF TO GO AND FOR RUN-OFF FROM DWS AS WELL. >> DO YOU HAVE ANY ESTIMATED TIMELINE? >> PRETTY SOON ACTUALLY. IT'S IN THE WORKS. IT'S OUT OF MY HANDS BECAUSE IT'S NOT OUR RESERVOIR. BUT IT'S ADVANTAGEOUS TO ALL PARTIES FOR IT TO HAPPEN EXPEDITIOUSLY.\r\n\r\nSO EVERYBODY HAS GOT IT IN FIFTH GEAR AT THIS POINT. >> THANK YOU. THAT IS REALLY GOOD NEWS. AND DOFAW DID REACH OUT TO ME AND REALLY STOKED ON THE OTHER CONDITION WITH THE ANIMALS, AND SAID IT'S REVOLUTIONARY AND WANT TO SEE MORE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, STOKED ABOUT THE DECOMMISSIONING. THAT WAS A BIG ISSUE FOR ME. SO I FEEL SAFER FOR THOSE PEOPLE THAT WILL EVENTUALLY LIVE THERE.\r\n\r\nTHANK YOU. >> I MAY HAVE TO COME MANY FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE RESOLUTION ON THE INDEMNIFICATION. BUT WE WILL CROSS THAT AT ANOTHER DAY. THAT IS SOMETHING THAT I

HOPE TO HAVE TO DO. >> MEMBER JOHNSON. >> THANK YOU, CHAIR. JUST A QUICK CLARIFYING QUESTION.\r\n\r\nYOU SAID YOU ARE GOING TO DECOMMISSION, WHICH WE'RE ALL VERY HAPPY WITH AND THEN YOU MENTIONED TO PUT IT ON A DIFFERENT PLACE. IS THAT DIFFERENT PLACE ON THE 14.97 ACRES. >> THE WHOLE PARCEL 148 THERE'S 500' GREENSPACE BETWEEN WAILUKU AND WAIKAPU AND WE'LL ACTUALLY PUT THE RETENTION BASIN IN THAT AREA. >> ON THE COUNTY LAND? >> NO, OUR LAND. >> IT'S ON YOUR LAND. >> WITHIN THAT BUFFER.\r\n\r\nIT'S A GREENSPACE/OPEN SPACE BUFFER MAUKA TO MAKAI? I RECALL THAT WAS A VERY IMPORTANT PLACE FOR THAT COMMUNITY TO HAVE IT OPEN SPACE AND REMAIN OPEN. THANK YOU FOR THAT. THANK YOU, CHAIR, NO FURTHER QUESTIONS. >> ANY MORE QUESTIONS? I KNOW DIDN'T MEMBER KEANI RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ HAVE QUESTION AND ANSWER OF THE RESOURCE PERSON? >> I DIDN'T CHAIR.\r\n\r\nMAHALO, FOR ASKING. MY VIDEO IS OFF. SORRY. >> YOU WANT TO GO NOW OR TO COME BACK TO YOU? >> OH, NO, MAHALO, CHAIR. I DIDN'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. I WAS JUST ASKING TO GET HIM AS A RESOURCE, BECAUSE I WAS SURE THERE WOULD BE OTHER QUESTIONS.\r\n\r\n>> OKAY. VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE US TAKING ACTION TODAY, BECAUSE YOU'RE RIGHT. OTHERWISE, IT'S GOING TO DELAY YOU FURTHER BECAUSE OF THESE HOMES THAT YOU'RE PROPOSING TO BUILD. AND I REALLY LIKE, AS I SAID, WHEN THIS WAS GOING BEFORE COMMITTEE, TINY HOMES YOU HAVE 28 OF THEM. AND WE HAVE JUST A MIX OF DIFFERENT HOMES THAT WE CAN SEE.\r\n\r\nTRULY, LIFESTYLES FOR ALL DIFFERENT KINDS OF PEOPLE. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I SUPPORT THIS. LET'S GET THIS GOING. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU? >> I SAW MEMBER COOK'S HAND.\r\n\r\n>> I'M GLAD THAT THIS IS BEING ADDRESSED TODAY AND IT'S MORE A COMMENT ON MY COLLEAGUES. I THINK THIS IS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THIS BODY TO BE PART OF THE SOLUTION TO GET HOUSING TO MOVE FORWARD AND NOT DELAY. AND I TRUST THAT MR. CARNICELLI AND HIS ORGANIZATION WILL FOLLOW THROUGH ON ALL OF THE OBLIGATIONS AND CONDITIONS, KEEP US PROMPTLY APPRISED OF ANY CHALLENGES, AND THAT IS MY COMMENT. >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MEMBER. >> ANYONE ELSE? >> THANK YOU EVERYONE.\r\n\r\nI APPRECIATE IT. >> LET'S VOTE. >> MEMBER KAMA. SO I BELIEVE THAT EVERYBODY ASKED THEIR QUESTIONS. ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION? >> CALL FOR THE QUESTION. >> KEANI HAS HER HAND UP.\r\n\r\n>> MEMBER RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. >> MAHALO, CHAIR. I SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. AS EVERYONE STATED, A GOOD PROJECT, GOOD MIX, A LOT OF OUR CONCERNS WERE ADDRESSED IN THE PLANNING COMMISSION A LOT OF THE CONDITIONS ARE IN THE PROCESS OF BEING MET. MEMBER PALTIN'S CONDITION SHE REFERENCED WAS SUPPORTIVE IN THE PLANNING COMMISSIONED. THAT'S GREAT. I APPRECIATE MR.\r\n\r\nCARNICELLI GIVING US A LITTLE BIT OF A HEAD'S UP AND I DID RESPOND TO HIS EMAIL AND REQUESTED THE MEETING MINUTES FOR THE PLANNING COMMISSION, WHICH HE PROMPTLY SENT. SO I DID HAVE TIME TO REVIEW THAT, TOO. TO BE MORE PREPARED THAN MEMBER PALTIN WAS, BUT GOOD MEMORY, MEMBER PALTIN ON ALL THOSE CONDITIONS AND DISCUSSIONS THAT WE HAD LAST YEAR. MAHALO, CHAIR. >> ANYBODY ELSE? BEFORE WE VOTE, I HAVE A CERTAIN FEELING OF RELUCTANCE, BUT I'M GOING TO SUPPORT THE MOTION. AS YOU KNOW, I'M NOT A WILD SUPPORTER OF DOING COMMITTEE WORK ON THE FLOOR OF THE COUNCIL.\r\n\r\nBUT THIS IS TIME-SENSITIVE, AND WE DID HAVE TWO OR THREE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ON THIS ALREADY. THANKS, MEMBER PALTIN FOR REFRESHING OUR MEMORY ON ALL OF THE CONTENTIOUS POINTS THAT WE WERE ALL CONCERNED ABOUT. >> ANY TIME, CHAIR. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION? OTHERWISE, I WILL CALL FOR THE VOTE. >> CHAIR? I'M SORRY?\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR THIS IS MIMI DES JARDINS FROM CORPORATION COUNSEL. CAN I JUST ASKED SOMETHING FOR THE RECORD, PLEASE. >> CERTAINLY. >> I DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS GOING TO BE FLOOR ACTION ON THIS TODAY, BUT WHAT I AM HOPING THAT BEFORE SECOND READING IS THERE CAN BE SOME RECORD OF WHAT HAPPENED AT THE MAUI PLANNING COMMISSION? BECAUSE I BELIEVE I'M TRYING TO FIND ON GRANICUS WHAT TOOK PLACE AT THE MAUI PLANNING COMMISSION, BECAUSE I THINK IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO MAKE THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE RECORD AS OPPOSED TO MR. CARNICELLI TELLING YOU WHAT THE MAUI PLANNING COMMISSION SAID. AND I APOLOGIZE IF I DON'T SEE IT, BUT I'M NOT ABLE TO FIND IT IN THE BRIEF MOMENT THAT I JUST FIND IN HERE.\r\n\r\nSO WHAT YOU WOULD WANT DO IS TO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE SOMETHING BECAUSE THAT IS THE WHOLE POINT OBVIOUSLY, SENDING IT TO THE MAUI PLANNING COMMISSION FOR RECOMMENDATION. THANK YOU THANK

YOU FOR POINTING THAT OUT AND STAFF WILL MAKE SURE THAT IS PART OF THE RECORD. ALL IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION, RAISE YOUR HAND AND SAY AYE? >> AYE. >> NINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES. MS. CLERK.\r\n\r\n>> CHAIR, FOR REFERRAL TO YOUR BUDGET, FINANCE, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, ARE THE FOLLOWING BILLS BILL 16 (2023) A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO THE GENERAL BUDGET PROVISIONS AND BILGE 17 (2023) A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO ESTIMATED REVENUES, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, TOTAL OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS, TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS, OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. >> MEMBER SUGIMURA, ANY OBJECTIONS TO SENDING TO YOUR COMMITTEE? >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> ANY OBJECTIONS, MEMBERS TO SENDING TO COMMITTEE? >> NO OBJECTIONS. >> SO ORDERED. >> THANK YOU, MEMBERS.\r\n\r\n>> MS. CLERK, TESTIMONY ON N. >> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. MOVING TO TESTIMONY ON ITEM N, BILLS FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING. THERE ARE NO TESTIFIERS SIGNED UP. LAST CALL FOR TESTIMONY. 3, 2, 1. CHAIR, THERE'S NO ONE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFYING >> MEMBERS, ANY OBJECTIONS TO CLOSING PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON ITEM N, AND RECEIVING ANY WRITTEN TESTIMONY INTO THE RECORD? >> NO OBJECTIONS.\r\n\r\n>> SO ORDERED MS. CLERK. >> BEFORE YOU, BILL 7 (2023) A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO ESTIMATED REVENUE, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION WAILUKU-KAHULUI COMMUNITY PLAN AREA, GOVERNMENT FACILITIES, GENERAL FUND CENTRAL MAUI TRANSIT HUB, TOTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT APPROPRIATION, TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS, OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. AND BILL 8 (2023), A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO APPENDIX C, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, WAILUKU-KAHULUI COMMUNITY PLAN AREA, CENTRAL MAUI TRANSIT HUB. >> MEMBER VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> I MOVE TO PASS BILL 7 (2023) AND BILL 8 (2023) ON SECOND AND FINAL READING. >> SECOND.\r\n\r\n>> THANK YOU. >> MOVED BY VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA AND SECONDED BY MEMBER KAMA TO PASS BILLS 7 AND 8 ON SECOND AND FINAL READING. DISCUSSION, VICE-CHAIR SUGIMURA. >> IT AMENDS FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET TO INCREASE THE ESTIMATED REVENUES FROM CARRY -VER SAVING FROM THE GENERAL FUND BY HALF A MILLION DOLLARS, APPROPRIATE THESE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CENTRAL MAUI TRANSIT HUB AND ADD A PROJECT AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION FOR CENTRAL MAUI TRANSIT HUB. I ASK THE COUNCIL MEMBERS ' SUPPORT FOR THIS MOTION AND I BELIEVE DIRECTOR MARC TAKAMORI ANSWERED THE QUESTION AS TO WHY THE HALF A MILLION WAS NEEDED. I APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT. >> ANY MORE DISCUSSION?\r\n\r\nI DON'T SEE ANY HANDS. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION, RAISE YOUR HAND AND SAY AYE? >> AYE >> NINE AYES, ZERO NOS, MOTION CARRIES. MS. CLERK. >> CHAIR, THERE ARE NO UNFINISHED BUSINESS. >> WELL, MEMBERS, WE HAVE REACHED AT END THE 3:30, WHICH IS DARN GOOD.\r\n\r\nMEMBER KAMA. >> I JUST WANT IS TO SAY THANK YOU FOR KEEPING YOUR PROMISE. [LAUGHTER ] WELL YOU KNOW, WE HAVE OUR YOUNG FRESHMAN COUNCIL MEMBER WANTING US TO ACT EXPEDITIOUSLY, AS YOU ALWAYS ASK FOR THE SAME THING. BOOK ENDS. A LOT OF PRESSURE. OKAY. MEMBERS, I HOPE YOU HAVE A WONDERFUL, SAFE, PLEASANT WEEKEND.\r\n\r\nAND I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING ALL OF YOU NEXT WEEK. THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED. [ GAVEL ]