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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI, STATE OF HAWAII, WAS HELD ONLINE ONLY VIA BLUEJEANS, ON FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2020, BEGINNING AT 9:02 A.M., WITH CHAIR ALICE L. LEE PRESIDING.

COUNCIL CHAIR ALICE L. LEE: Will the Maui County Council meeting please come to order.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK JAMES G.M. KRUEGER: Madam Chair--

CHAIR LEE: Before, let, let's change the order a little bit. If you don't mind, I'll go first so that I can tell you the greeting of the day from Micronesia. To my colleagues; ran annim, ran annim. Good morning, everyone.

Mr. Clerk.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS G. RIKI HOKAMA, NATALIE A. KAMA.

KELLY T. KING, MICHAEL J. MOLINA, TAMARA A.M. PALTIN, SHANE M. SINENCI, YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA. VICE-CHAIR KEANI N.W. RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR ALICE L. LEE.

CHAIR LEE: I want to say that, as Member King brought up, I'm seeing that they're fuzzy too. Is there anything wrong today with the connection or? Do, do you see a clearer picture of everyone, everybody?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: You look clearer now.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: --of course. Yea, you were, when you first came on you were really fuzzy.

CHAIR LEE: I look clear, but some of you look fuzzy. Okay. Well, fuzzy or not, let's go.

- COUNCILMEMBER KING: Can, can you say who those are, so that we can, if it's, we can maybe try work on our connections at this point?
- CHAIR LEE: Okay. Let me get, for some reason, I'm trying to look for the gallery, but. Okay, here it is, here it is. Okay, Shane is a little fuzzy, just a little. Now, now it's getting clearer for some reason. But sometimes, your picture gets a little fuzzy. I guess it's in and out, off and on. Alright, let's, let's go forward and, before, before it's lunch time.

Mr. Clerk.

- DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, there are nine Members present. A quorum is present to conduct the business of the Council.
- CHAIR LEE: Thank you. And this morning, we have opening remarks by Council Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

OPENING REMARKS

The opening remarks were offered by Council Vice-Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you, beautiful.

Alright. Please join me in the, reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Members of the Council, rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you, everyone. Before we proceed with today's agenda, may I please request that everyone silence their cellphones or other noisemaking devices. Decorum shall be maintained at all times.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, proceeding with the presentation of testimony on agenda items. Members of the public may testify by connecting to the Council's online meeting by phone or video conference through the information posted on today's agenda.

Individuals connected to the Council's online meeting will be called on to testify. If you do not intend to testify, you can watch the meeting on Akaku, Channel 53 or on mauicounty.us. Individuals connected by phone are currently on mute and will be unmuted when it is their time to testify. Individuals connected by videoconference should keep both their video and microphones muted and should unmute them when it is their time to testify.

Testimony is limited to the items listed on today's agendas. Individuals may testify on three minutes per item. When testifying, please state your name and the name of any organization you represent, as well as the items on which you will be testifying. Please also identify to the Council if you are a paid lobbyist.

Madam Chair, the first person signed up to testify is Kamahanahokulani Farrar. To be followed by Lucienne de Naie.

CHAIR LEE: Good morning to our first testifier. You may begin.

PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN OR ORAL TESTIMONY

MS. KAMAHANAHOKULANI FARRAR, Na Pu`uwai (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Good morning, everyone.

CHAIR LEE: Good morning.

MS. FARRAR: Good. Good morning.

CHAIR LEE: Okay, we see you.

MS. FARRAR: My name is Kama, good, thank you. Thank you for allowing me to join you this morning. My name is Kamahanahokulani Farrar. I'm the Executive Director of Na Pu`uwai. And we are the Native Hawaiian Health Care System that serves the island of Molokai, including Kalaupapa and the island of Lanai.

In 1986, Na Pu'uwai was established as a 501(c)(3). In 1988, the members of Congress passed the Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act, which established seven entities; five Native Hawaiian Health Care Systems; the Native Hawaiian Health Scholarship Program, which serves as the workforce arm for the Native Hawaiian Health Care Systems; and Papa Ola Lokahi.

Today, I represent Papa Ola Lokahi; Hui No Ke Ola Pono on Maui; and Na Pu`uwai in providing testimony in support of CC 20-329. I also should stop myself and clarify that I am not a paid lobbyist. I am a passionate community serving person. We would like to provide testimony to you supporting and urging the Mayor to support the Feminist Economic Recovery Plan for COVID-19.

This resolution is important to us, to Maui County, as the first step as a pathway out of poverty, which improves the health and wellbeing of our communities. It emphasizes the kuleana of women, while acknowledging the kuleana of women within our traditions and our customs.

Papa Ola Lokahi, Hui No Ke Ola Pono, and Na Pu`uwai are ready and willing to help implement the resolution should it pass. And we would like to commend you as members in our community offering our support to you. Thank you very much.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Are there any questions? If not, mahalo. Mahalo and thank you again.

MS. FARRAR: Thank you very much. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, the next person signed up to testify is Lucienne de Naie. To be followed Courtland Gates.

MS. LUCIENNE DE NAIE (testifying on Committee Reports 20-62 and 20-66, Bill No. 73 (2020), County Communication No. 20-333, and General Communication No. 20-3:

Aloha, Councilmembers and Council Chair Lee. This is Lucienne de Naie. I am not turning on my video--

CHAIR LEE: Good morning.

MS. DE NAIE: --for all those reasons, cause no bandwidth here in Huelo. Good morning to all. I'm testifying on behalf of--

CHAIR LEE: Good morning.

MS. DE NAIE: --the Haiku Community Association on items CR 20-66, CR 20-62, and Bill 73. And then I will also be switching hats and testifying on behalf of Sierra Club on several matters, which I will mention at that time.

As far as CR 20-66, the Haiku Community Association strongly supports this resolution to refer to the Planning Commissions a bill to establish regulatory standards for canopy tours and ziplines. We have received many community comments and complaints about the fact that these businesses don't seem to have any real regulation or guidelines to follow, and sometimes they're inappropriately sited in residential neighborhoods.

So, it will be good to have this heard out at our Planning Commissions and return for the Council. And thank you to Councilmember Sugimura for initiating this, and all of you for your support.

On Committee Report 20-62, the resolution for Lot 6 of the Haiku Sugar East Subdivision. We support the committee report and urge you to finalize action and vote to accept that report today with this resolution.

And on Bill 73, we thank the Council for being flexible in these times and amending the budget for these important programs which our, our hoolaulea is listed under this. We don't have to amend that, because that's already been taken care of. But we support our, our sister community of Hana of being able to amend the budget and proceed on so that all these important matters that get cultural, and educational, and environmental funding can proceed as best they can in these times. So, thank you for passing Bill 73.

I'm going to switch hats now and I will be speaking on behalf of the Sierra Club Maui Group. And this is on items, General Communication 20-3, the update on Wailea 670, and General Communication [sic] 20-333, the circular economy resolution.

Sierra Club strongly supports this resolution to sign on to the statewide effort to look at our economy as, as being far more sustainable and less waste oriented. And we hope that this gets referred to the appropriate Committee and, I mean, the appropriate action and that Maui County can join this effort.

Also, on bill, also on the compliance report for Wailea 670, we'd like to offer a little bit of background. Some of you were on the County Council when this project came through. I know Members Hokama and Molina were, and there were many long hours discussing what information was provided and missing on the proposed Wailea 670

Honua`ula Project. And because so much information was missing, many conditions were put on the project to make sure that those answers were, were available at the time that it was actually built. One of these concerned having adequate review of the cultural impacts and the cultural and archaeological sites on the project.

I have to say that the description in the report that was given to you that a Section 106 consultation, which is a cultural consultation when a Federal permit is needed, this, this location has endangered species and so there's a Federal permit to allow, take of those endangered species during the construction of, of the project. It says here that that was initiated in November of 2020 at the request of the Fish and Wildlife Service. We know that's not the case because we haven't had November 2020 yet.

That was initiated in November 2019. However, cultural users and the Sierra Club requested that this process begin in 2017. And instead, reports were sent to the Fish and Wildlife Service that it had been completed. Those reports were in error. Cultural users, OHA, Sierra Club and others had to write to Fish and Wildlife Service and say, no we were never consulted, we were never told we were being consulted. And so, this has hung up a couple of years, which didn't need to happen. But just wanted to make sure you folks had some accurate information.

Also, the fact that the archaeological studies that were required as part of Condition 13 and Condition 26, and, and other Conditions 27, excuse me, that were put on this report were, were finalized prematurely and they are not accurate. And it's now affecting the Paeahu Solar Farm Project. They have to install a road through Wailea 670. And they just testified to the Burial Council that they had to resurvey to try to find all the sites that were listed on this accepted archaeological survey, because they weren't in the place where they were said to be in the archaeological survey. And they had to relocate all of them to make sure their road wasn't going to impact that. So, we really are pushing, and we hope the Council will support for an updated archaeological survey that will be part of the record that can be used by other projects, so we have correct information.

Also, Condition 20 in this report was very important. It was about water quality reports that were required annually. And these reports, we would hope the Council would request that they be forwarded to the Council and posted on the Legistar site, so that the public can actually see them because they affect other projects downstream, such as the Grand Wailea remodel that's happening now. We don't really know what the water quality reports have been saying these last eight years since they've been required. It would be very helpful to know that.

And last but not least, one of the major conditions, Condition 2, which regarding the Piilani Highway expansion. Many projects have been proposed in Wailea, Makena,

and Wailea 670. And yet, we have this choke point where we have a two-lane road. Could the Council ask to get any documents? Supposedly there's 35 percent of the, of the planning is complete. An EA was issued eight years ago and accepted. The preliminary engineering report referred to was issued eight years ago.

What is happening now? The public really wants to know. We get phone calls from the public saying, do you know what's happening with that Piilani Highway? Now, right now because the resorts are closed, it's not a problem. But in January, there were long lines on that section of highway for people waiting to get through to Wailea.

So, we really should know what's going on. What does 35 percent complete mean? And what are the communications of this draft development agreement with the Hawaii Department of Transportation. The Council really should try to know this. I'm sure Councilmember King gets some calls too. And would be good to get the update on this.

And there's one other condition, Condition 7, sounds like a no-brainer; animal management plan. I get calls all the time about pigs intruding into Maui Meadows from Wailea 670. So, hopefully there's no, no mention in this report whether the fence that was promised has been installed. But it's been talked about for about a year. Hopefully it gets installed, because we do have intrusions of feral creatures from the Wailea 670 properties that are going into the backyards of taxpaying residents of Maui Meadows right now.

Thank you so much for your consideration. And please ask for a little bit more information from this Wailea 670 compliance report. It shouldn't just be filed with no comment. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Thank you. Are there any questions? Member King, Member Kama, and Member Hokama.

Member King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Mahalo, Chair. I see Member Paltin also with her hand up. I, I wanted to ask, thank you for being here, Lucienne. I wanted to ask you on the Wailea 670, are you working at all with the Maui Meadows Neighborhood Association? Because I know they're tracking this. They have regular updates. So, I just wondered if you're working with them on these concerns? If they have any additional concerns? If they have the same concerns?

MS. DE NAIE: Maui Meadows Community Association are the people who have contacted me about the feral pig intrusions. Hopefully the fence is built by now. But I didn't see any reference in this report. So, there just should be some, some update.

There have also been concerns about, people from Maui Meadows about the proposed solar farm using their streets as a access to the project. And evidently, that got switched around and now the access is through a, an existing dirt road on Wailea 670, which is why the archaeological survey needed to be completed there. And I have been in touch with the archaeologist--

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay.

MS. DE NAIE: --for that project. And yea, so, yes--

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. I just wanted to clarify--

MS. DE NAIE: They do reach out, yes.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yea. Okay, cause I've been, I've been going, I've been going to their regular meetings that they've been having updates on. So, at least we're all on the same page there. Thank you. Thank you for your attention to, to this part of our community.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Kama.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Question?

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you, Lucienne, for being here this morning. You know, I'm really concerned about the, the archaeological survey that you said is incomplete. Where is the **arcs** survey report right now? Do you know?

MS. DE NAIE: Yes. The survey report was accepted in 2015. Sierra Club and many cultural users begged the State Historic folks not to accept it because it was incomplete. We, we knew that. We knew sites had been left off that we had walked on field services, you know, field surveys with the archaeologists. We had seen these sites. We had taken pictures of them. And they're just missing from the report. And subsequent to that, but it was accepted. Because it was accepted, a preservation plan based on that inadequate report was also accepted by the State Historic.

Sierra Club is a party to a settlement agreement. We were supposed to be informed about changes that were being proposed to that preservation plan, and we were not. So, we threatened to sue for breach of settlement, won a, a reopening of the preservation plan. So, the preservation plan for your conditions needs to be accepted by OHA. They, as well as State Historic. OHA has not accepted it. OHA has asked very strongly that the preservation plan be supported by an additional archaeological survey that really reflects the real sites there. So, that's where it's at. It's, it's unresolved now, but it's, you know, there are people requesting. And I think State Historic is supportive . . . of more work done even though they accepted it.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Okay. Thank you so much. I appreciate that information. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Hokama, and then Ms. Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you. Thank you, Chair. Ms. de Naie thanks again. You are one of those that have a great, great institutional history with this project, so for, with like me and, I guess, Mr. Molina and maybe also Ms. Lee, Chair Lee. So, for me, this is a 20-year, at least 20-year project for me.

So, here we are today. What I was going to ask, because, you know, what got lost in the shuffle for me Ms. deNaie, and I hope maybe you can give me a comment of the current status is where the hell is this 250 affordable homes we supposed to have from the project? 150 for ownership and 150 or 125 for rental. And you know, we talked about the offsite component, and this and that, but I kind of lost touch on what is the status of those 250 units? Are you able to give us a comment this morning, please?

MS. DE NAIE: I am. And that is a great question, Councilmember Hokama. I remember you and Councilmember Jo Anne Johnson questioning whether the offsite units were really going to be built as fast as was being promised. And you were absolutely right to question that. They were not built. They were supposed to be part of what was the Kaonoulu Project.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Right.

MS. DE NAIE: That was supposedly all approved. And for 2018 or till 2008, you approved this Wailea 670. Those units were supposed to built in two years. They were never started. The Honua`ulu Partners told you that they couldn't find anyone to build them. The fact was they really didn't have complete entitlements on, on those lands. They, they had changed the plans to a gigantic shopping center from what was an industrial subdivision. They were going to use one lot of, of the subdivisions to build the houses. And eventually, time passed on.

In 2012, Maui Tomorrow, another citizen's sued because they weren't following the land use conditions of the State Land Use Commission. It's been tied up with the State Land Use Commission ever since. As part of a settlement with Sierra Club, HP, the, the owners of Wailea 670 asked if that condition could be moved to be satisfied onsite. We had no objections. We just wanted the housing built somewhere.

And so, this Council approved an amendment that the, the units could be built offsite, onsite as part of the required affordable housing that the project would generate under the workforce housing bill. Of course, because there's been no progress on the, the archaeological and other things wrapping up, that, those houses have never been built. And they're not going to be built offsite. And maybe someday they'd be built onsite. But you know, you and, and Councilmember Johnson, and others were right to question whether this deal was as good as it looked, cause it wasn't.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you for that update and comment, Ms. de Naie. I appreciate it. And I would ask my Housing Chair Kama if she would please take a look into that concern and whether we need timing triggers to effectuate the requirements of affordable housing. Thank you very much, Ms. de Naie. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. And then, Ms. Paltin, Ms. Paltin, do you have a question?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yes, please. Thank you, Ms. de Naie.

CHAIR LEE: Go ahead.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Can you guys here me?

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. Thank you. So, my question is, I, I, I'm aware that this will most likely come to my Committee as Planning and Sustainable Land Use. And it says annual compliance report, and we were all here for 2019. I'm not sure about the, the years prior, but I don't recall having one for 2019. Is it just that it was, it was filed? Or did you notice this happening during 2019, that we, we got a report and maybe it was just filed during the Council meeting? Ms. de Naie.

MS. DE NAIE: My, my experience, I have testified on these for eight years. And my experience is every year it comes to the Council meeting and it is filed. We make some comments. It's not only me, it's several other people that have testified on these as well. And, you know, people take them into consideration, but they are never, the, the compliance reports are never sent to your Committee to my understanding.

Although, I would hope your Committee would try to get those water quality reports like you did for the Makena compliance report. That, that was very useful. And it's useful for the public. And that's why these conditions were put on, is that information would be available. It was missing during the time of the consideration of the rezoning request.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. Thank you. That's very helpful and we'll try to do the same thing that we did for the other reports that we got last time then.

MS. DE NAIE: That would be great.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you.

Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yea, thank you, Madam Chair. Good morning, Lucienne, and thank you so much for the update. Just one quick question. Is there still any pending litigation involving Sierra Club and the, the developers at this point?

MS. DE NAIE: No. No. Sierra Club settled in 2016, as was that summary that was provided to you. And we, we were, we were happy that, you know, we worked out some good changes to the project that it left the, the number of affordable housing intact. But it did create some much needed preserves for some very rare and endangered plants and animals, and for an amazing array of cultural sites.

And thousands of people have enjoyed hiking up there. Sierra Club has had hiking privileges there since 2016. And we have monthly excursions until COVID-19; taking school kids, groups of senior citizens, attorneys, anyone who's interested, County attorneys have been up there. It's, it's really an amazing place to go and walk around and, and see these beautiful remains of the Hawaiian culture of the past.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Okay. Thank you very much, Lucienne. I appreciate all your input on this. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Are there any other questions for the testifier? If not, thank you very much, Lucienne.

MS. DE NAIE: Mahalo you all for your time.

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CHAIR LEE: Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, the next person signed up to testify is Courtlandt Gates. To be followed by Khara Jabola-Carolus.

MR. COURTLANDT GATES (testifying on Committee Report 20-62):

Can you hear me?

CHAIR LEE: Yes. Good morning.

MR. GATES: Okay. Good morning. Do you--

CHAIR LEE: Can you state your name for the record?

MR. GATES: Yes, aloha, Chair Lee, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, and Councilmembers. My name is Courty Gates.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Please proceed with your testimony.

MR. GATES: Would you, would you like to have video or are you indifferent?

CHAIR LEE: Well, we--

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I like video.

CHAIR LEE: --could get. Yea, how long is your video?

MR. GATES: I'm not, I'm, I'm, whether you want to see my face. Maybe you want to look at it first and then decide.

CHAIR LEE: Oh, oh I see. I see. Okay, yea. Yea, we'd like to see your face.

MR. GATES: I've enabled it. I don't know if you can see me.

CHAIR LEE: Yea, we can. We can.

MR. GATES: I'll start my testimony. Aloha, Chair Lee, Vice . . . Gates

CHAIR LEE: Oh, we lost you.

MR. GATES: I'm here on the topic of item 20-62, the County purchase of Lot 6 in the Haiku Sugar East Subdivision. I want to make it very clear that my wife and I support the purchase of Lot 6, subject to confirming one aspect of an existing contract between us, the County, and the owners of Lot 6. And we've been trying unsuccessfully for almost two months to engage the County in conversation and work this out prior to the purchase going through. I hope you've had the chance to look at my written testimony and look at the maps that are included in there.

My wife Natalie and I have been Hawaii residents since 2012. We've been the owner, owners of Lot 2 in the subdivision since 2014. We are supporters of conservation and environmental protection, and we are supporters of open space. In 2014, we purchased Lot 2 from A&B with an access easement from Hana Highway across Lot 6. This is our only access to our property. Since then, we have implemented a management plan, cleaned up the property, partnered with a local rancher to graze the upland, and put up signs to protect the environment and cultural sites in our portion of Konanui Gulch.

In 2016, Maui County purchased Lots 1, 3, 4, and 5 from A&B as open space, and thereby entered into a contract with us and the Hisashima Family, who owns Lot 6. In that contract, A&B provided new public access easements from Nahele Road to Lot 3, 4, and 5. And Lot 2's access easement across Lot 6 was made private. Recently, Maui County entered into a contract to purchase Lot 6 as open space. And since April, we've been requesting confirmation of our easement agreement without any response. To us, private means not public. And in this case, it also means exclusive when we're the only private owners in the subdivision.

The existing open space, I don't know if you've had a chance to visit, it's in terrible condition. And the County, despite its contractual obligations, has not demonstrated an ability to create and maintain a clean, safe, and secure environment in the existing open space and its access points. The County has not implemented a management plan in three and a half years. And as a direct result, common activities include: dumping of household garbage and yard wastes; dumping and stripping of vehicles; operation of motorcycles, ATV's, and trucks off-road, resulting in destruction of cultural sites and damage to the environment; setting of fires, two of which were directly upwind of our house; hunting; camping; and recently, an event of sustained gunfire. Bottom line, Maui County has not acted as a responsible landowner or a good neighbor.

Our resolution to the situation is that the private easement across Lot 6 to Lot 2 be made clearly exclusive to Lot 2 if Lot 2 takes responsibility for the care and maintenance of the road and gate, and if Lot 2 grants the County temporary access to the easement for the care of Lot 6 until the County is able to create its own access to

Lot 6. Our reasoning is the private easement to Lot 2 across Lot 6 is not needed by the County. Easement runs along the gulch edge, has not coastal views, and ends at the Lot 2 property line. And in 2016, as I mentioned, the County agreed to alternative public access to Lot 3, 4, and 5 from Nahele Road.

Frankly, the County ownership--

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Gates.

MR. GATES: --of Lot 6 puts our access--

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Gates.

MR. GATES: Yes.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Gates, could you summarize your testimony?

MR. GATES: Forty-five seconds.

CHAIR LEE: Finalize your testimony. Okay. That's good.

MR. GATES: May I have 45 seconds?

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

MR. GATES: The County ownership of Lot 6 frankly puts our access and property at additional risk. Since the County is not harmed by our proposal, we don't know why the exclusive easement has not already been confirmed. As an end result, the community gets 50 more acres of open space in Haiku, the County gets the opportunity to create open space worthy of the name, the owners of Lot 6 are paid, and we have clear, safe, secure access. It's still possible to close by June 30. We've drafted an amendment and it's ready to be signed. Thank you very much for your time.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you, Mr. Gates. Are there any questions?

Mr. Molina and then Ms. Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIR LEE: And then Ms. Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Mahalo, Madam Chair. And good morning, Mr. Gates. Thank, thank you for being here. Appreciate your testimony. Just one question. Did at any time, before you expressed concerns about the easement, did you consider purchasing Lot 6?

MR. GATES: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: And, and when was that? Couple of years ago?

MR. GATES: It's, no, it's been under consideration, sort of off and on probably for a couple of years.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Okay. Alright. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Chair, probably, I'm wondering, is this in litigation, based upon what he's saying, or?

CHAIR LEE: I don't know. Mr. Molina, do you know?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Mr. Gates. Is this in litigation, Mr. Gates?

MR. GATES: I, I don't know. I'm not a lawyer. We do have a lawyer. We have filed some form of action. I can't tell you, I don't know exactly what the status is to be honest with you. Yes, we have filed an action to, to attach this action to the title of Lot 6 with the hope and expectation that we can sort this out before closing. So, we, the Hisashima Family have been great neighbors. And we do There, they're the main reason we want this to go through. There's really no other reason.

I, I don't know, Mike, what you were getting at with regard to the question. We, for us, Lot 6 is just pasture. It's just empty land, no archaeological inventory, no water, no power. So, there's, you know, yes, we'd be interested but, you know, certainly nowhere near the price the County is paying.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Sugimura, would you like to hear from our Corp. Counsel?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Yes. At the appropriate time when this item comes up, when you're ready, Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Ms. Paltin, who else had their hand up?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: It was me Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Mr. Gates, for being here and for your testimony. I also received and read through your written testimony. And the two main questions that I have are, how come you didn't submit in your written testimony what the amendment is that you have ready to be signed? And how come you didn't submit the contract you have with the Hisashima granting private exclusive access?

MR. GATES: The, those have been submitted to Maui County Counsel. They should be very familiar with the declaration of easements dated 2016, which is effectively, sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I mean it's; I feel like we are Maui County Council and we didn't, I just told you we didn't get it. So, that's not a true thing that you're saying. We're the Council.

MR. GATES: Counsel. Counsel not Council.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: You mean Corporation Counsel?

MR. GATES: Counsel.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Maui Corporation?

MR. GATES: Yes. Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Okay. But you're talking to us and you're saying this information and we don't have it is what I'm saying. Like, you gave us the pictures and a little like thing, but why aren't you giving us, in your testimony, a copy of the contract that you're talking about that says that you have private exclusive access easement and this amendment. You, you're coming to us right now in your testimony and you're telling us these things, but you're not providing us with the information is what I'm saying.

Like, I mean, isn't that the purpose of you coming here to tell us these things? But you're not giving us the documentation. Like, you just say it and we have nothing to look at. I mean, you submitted testimony with pictures, so I'm just wondering why, why you only say it and you not give us the writing.

MR. GATES: So, I am, I am not familiar with the inner workings of the Maui County Council and how things are done. This is, I'm not an expert testifier and I'm unfamiliar with these matters. Those, the, the amendment that we proposed was submitted to Corporate Counsel a long time ago, as well as the documents with regard to the declaration of easements to which the County is a party. So, the Corporate Counsel has all of those things and has had them for probably six or seven weeks. So, I, I don't know why that hasn't been provided to you. I can certainly, if you need to get them from me, I can certainly provide them.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: I, I would like to have a copy just because I only hear words of what you're saying and I only see pictures, but I don't have the details. So, just letting you know we never got those details and that's what I would like to see. So, thank you. Thank you, Chair.

MR. GATES: I'm, I'm sorry about that. If you have--

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Madam Chair, point of order or point of clarity. What's on the agenda--

CHAIR LEE: Yes. Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: --is the lot purchase and not so much the discussion of the easement concerns of Mr. Gates. So, for the purpose of Sunshine Law concerns, I think as we allow other Members to ask questions, if the questions could be more directly related to the lot purchase and not the easement request from Mr. Gates, who has filed a complaint to the County regarding that. Thank you.

MR. GATES: Good point.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you.

Mr. Hokama. Mr. Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you. Mr. Gates, I appreciate your comments this morning. So, as I get, as a taxpayer, you own property, I was interested in your comment. So, you believe that the County is paying too much for this piece of property then, from what I get from your testimony?

MR. GATES: Well, I, I--

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: But the value is, is inflated? Because I have a--

MR. GATES: That's not my decision what the property is worth as open space. I'm, what I said in direct and in response to what Councilmember Molina said was that it's, it's worth less than \$1.7 million to us, because for us it would strictly be grazing land, pasture for cattle. It's just fields of cane grass and African tulip and there's no value to us. We certainly wouldn't expect to ever be able to develop it because there's no, there's no archaeological inventory. So, you're talking maybe decades. So, as open space, that's, that's your call. I, I have no idea what it's worth as open space. \$1.7 million is a lot of money, but that's, it's not worth that to me, but, but I'm assuming that \$1.7 million value came from somewhere.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: You're right, it is. And, yea, I appreciate your comments. I'll use that as part of my decision. Thank you very much.

MR. GATES: Thank you very much.

CHAIR LEE: Any more questions, Members? If not, thank you, Mr. Gates.

MR. GATES: Thank you very much.

CHAIR LEE: May we have the next testifier?

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, before proceeding to the next testifier, staff just wanted to let some of the new people who are joining the meeting, if they could just let us know in the meeting function if they wish to testify. And we'll add them to the, to the testifier list.

The next person signed up to testify is Khara Jabola-Carolus. To be followed Angelina Mercado.

MS. KHARA JABOLA-CAROLUS, HAWAII STATE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Good morning, Chair--

CHAIR LEE: Good morning.

MS. JABOLA-CAROLUS: --Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez--

CHAIR LEE: Please speak a little louder. A little louder.

MS. JABOLA-CAROLUS: Good morning, Chair, Vice-Chair, and Honorable Members. My name is Khara Jabola-Carolus. I'm the Executive Director of the Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women. We are a statewide government agency that is legislatively mandated to advance gender equality throughout the State. And we work closely with the Maui County Commission on the Status of Women.

So, today, we are respectfully urging that your Council pass CC 20-329, because the economic recovery is urgent and under way. Witnessing the collision of the crisis of sexism and a global health pandemic, it's impact to the women in Hawaii has been overwhelming experience for me as a public servant and the challenge of my career.

Prior to COVID-19, the majority of women in Hawaii were working class. And 85 percent of, of those living paycheck to paycheck in Hawaii were women. Folks might not know, but the gender pay gap was actually worsening in Hawaii and women are still very much filling and tending to fill, because of gender stereotypes, the lowest paid sectors in our economy. This is all to say that if, that women were in no position to weather the extreme economic turmoil as well as social disruptions because of COVID-19. And economic insecurity is even more dangerous for women.

On Maui, we've seen compromised access to reproductive and maternal healthcare, increase in sex trafficking crisis, domestic violence outcry, and calls for help. We've seen, you know, deficits in childcare being exacerbated. And also, we've even seen landlords preying on women in Maui, pressuring them for sex because they're not able to pay rent.

All this paints a grim picture, but positively, I think that society and we here are seeing women and the totality of their struggle for the first time in many ways. And so, the Commission on the Status of Women seized this moment to work with a wonderful collective of women leaders, experts, and community organizers in Hawaii to develop what we termed the Feminist Economic Recovery Plan, which was the nation and the globes first plan to include gender equality and equity at every turn of the economic recovery process.

And we chose this word because similar to the quote from Angela Davis at the beginning of this session, it's not enough, she said, it's not enough to, in a racist society, to be neutral on racism, but we have to be anti-racist. Similarly, in a sexist society, it's not enough to be neutral on women's position. We have to be anti-sexist. And the term for that commonly is feminist. And feminism was the movement of Patsy Mink. And there is still work to be done to finish that movement. So, we're proud to present this to you and have your support. And again, respectfully urge that you pass this today. Thank you so much.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you very much. Are there any questions?

Yes. Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez.

- VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. Aloha Ms. Jabola-Carolus. Mahalo for joining us today. Mahalo for your testimony. So, you, you're asking the Council to pass this today. Would you explain like the urgency of passing it today?
- MS. JABOLA-CAROLUS: Sure. Well, right now, similar to what happens in other crisis, even the word in the here and now, we're already planning the . . . out. And so, important decisions on funding that are going to impact women for not just the next year, but even the next decade and, and their future prospects are being defined today. And so, this would be such a critical document to guide that process and send a message, not just to the County, but the State and the nation, which is looking at Hawaii.

We've had incredible outpouring. I think within 48 hours, we had CNN calling us, United Nations programs calling us. So, I can't emphasize how critical it is to pass this now and also to use this to guide an equitable recovery for Hawaii and the nation. Thank you for that question.

MS. VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Ms. Jabola-Carolus. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you.

Member Tasha Kama.

- COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you, Chair. Oh, good morning, Khara. How are you? Nice to see you again. So, we have a resolution that we are going to, hopefully, dutifully pass. So, I wanted to read to you what the "BE IT RESOLVED", at least the first one says, "That it supports and urges the Mayor to support a feminist economic recovery plan for Maui County". So, can you just outline for us what that plan would look like?
- MS. JABOLA-CAROLUS: Yes. So, we have the full document available on the DHS website. So, there's further details there which, you know, all of you folks have. But I'm glad you're asking for some of the points. One of the main things is we've seen how fragile our economy is. And also, how women are not succeeding in this economy. And so, one of the main calls is to begin to reorient to a truly sustainable system that considers women's economic independence as important and build policies around that.

So, for example, one of the platforms in the plan is to make sure that we're building an infrastructure for caregiving that doesn't just put it on women privately to suffer the

burden. So, building up jobs around childcare, eldercare; spreading that to be universal and shared professionally, but also supported by the State. And also shared in a different way that, again, breaks with gender stereotypes. So, that's just one example of, of what we're calling for.

But we also touch on building out maternal healthcare. We'll have testifiers I'm sure, today, speak to that. Building out sustainable and culturally based Native Hawaiian food systems. All of these things are feminist. I think that that's one of the biggest misperceptions; that if feminism means everyone is able to succeed and live well including women. And so, those are some examples of the plan. And hopefully folks will also be able to look at that again for further guidance in the process. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you for being here again, Khara. And thank you, Chair.

MS. JABOLA-CAROLUS: Good to see you.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you.

Member King.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: You too.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Chair. Aloha, Ms. Jabola-Carolus. Good to see you again. And I just wanted to ask if you are, is this, is this the first, are we the first County to address this issue in this manner? Or is, is this being sup--

MS. JABOLA-CAROLUS: Yes. Yes, you would be, it would be a landmark piece of legislation. And I, I would prepare yourselves for, you know, getting a lot of support, because as mentioned in my first piece, we've had agencies and international organizations from all over the world ask us how they can replicate this. And even just yesterday, the Democratic Party of California reached out and asked for this resolution, to see if they could bring it to their assembly members at the State level. So, this is absolutely a first and an important guide.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. That's awesome. And it's, is, is the National Association supporting it as well? I mean, I think we were talking--

MS. JABOLA-CAROLUS: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: --when you became the, the Chair for Hawaii was that conference, the women's conference.

- MS. JABOLA-CAROLUS: Yes. Thank you for joining us as part of our delegation. The National Association of Commissions on, on Women; there are commissions in every State. We are a board member and have representation from Hawaii. And they asked to present, and in fact, I believe lowa and Louisiana are in, deliberating how to replicate the plan for their State right now. So, they support it fully.
- COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. And thank you for your leadership. And, I don't know if the Committee on the Status of Women, my staff member is the Chair and she's a little shy on the, the testimonial side. But just really appreciate all the work that you've done on this and the detailed explanation too of what this actually means.

MS. JABOLA-CAROLUS: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Are there any other questions? If not, I don't see any hands. If not, thank you very much. Thank you for all you do for the women of Hawaii.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, the next person signed up to testify is Angelina Mercado. To be followed by Pahnelopi McKenzie.

MS. ANGELINA MERCADO, HAWAII STATE COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Good morning. Can you all hear me?

CHAIR LEE: Yes, we can. Good morning.

MS. MERCADO: Perfect. Thank you. Good morning. Aloha, Chair, Vice-Chair, and Honorable Members. My name is Angelina Mercado, and on behalf of the Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, I am testifying in strong support of CC 20-329.

The Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence engages communities and organizations to end domestic violence through education, advocacy, and action for justice. The Coalition is a private nonprofit organization, so I'm not a lobbyist. And we are a statewide partnership of domestic violence programs and shelters across the State and the counties.

The fallout of the pandemic has resulted in victims battling to address the trauma and circumstances of their abuse, while also trying to meet the basic needs of their families such as housing and food. Many of the things that Khara talked about and many of the things that an economic recovery plan that would focus on women would help to address many of the things, but don't cause domestic violence, but exacerbate the situation for survivors trying to alieve their abusive situations.

Our emergency domestic violence shelters in Maui remain at capacity. And victims report increased risk of lethality, that means that they are experiencing strangulation and choking by their partners, the presence of firearms, and threats or attempts of suicide. And an economic recovery plan of this nature will give victims alternative options to staying with or having to return to abusers during an economic crisis like this.

It is critical that we put together a gender equity front and center in this economic recovery. And I'm thrilled that Maui is the first County to take on this endeavor. We urge you and respectfully ask that you please pass CC 20-329 today. Aloha.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you for your testimony. Are there any questions, Members? I don't see any hands. Are there any hands? If not, thank you very much, Ms. Mercado. Thank you.

MS. MERCADO: Mahalo.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, the next person signed up to testify is Pahnelopi McKenzie. To be followed by Tanya Smith-Johnson.

MS. PAHNELOPI MCKENZIE (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Aloha. Can you hear me?

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

MS. MCKENZIE: Yea? Okay. Okay. Thank you all for coming together today and, you know, all the work that you do and the hope and power that you give us as citizens to like stand forward and that you are here to make a better Hawaii, a better Maui for us all. Today I'm here as a community member just to strongly support the CC 20-329, the Feminist Recovery Plan. I did send in written testimony also.

But I just think a plan like this, when we read this, it fills us with hope and possibility because we know that when we put women at the center to thrive, we create healthy food systems. We create healthy education systems. We create possibilities for our children and ourselves to thrive. And within that, you know, so much transformation happens. I feel that this recovery plan gives such a true voice to women and children, and healthy economics, and that better future. I think the voice of Native Hawaiian people must be given the space to help speak and transform the wellness and the future of Hawaii because that is the health of Hawaii.

So, the restructuring of the education system, job security, aina stewardship, I mean, when we look at these things from a feminist plan, the economics can heal so many faces. We, yea, the disparities transform when we have a feminist plan. And as we see in Hawaii, you know, women, we're such a strong part. And as we see today in the Council, such strength in women coming together, making a plan that can have that circular effect

I just want to share something from, you know, I read through the recovery plan many times, and I, I feel there's so many parts in it. But I, I feel this paragraph is so pertinent.

The Commission is cognizant that a plan presented by a colonial power structure does not reflect or only best route to a just recovery. We hope to make space for community ideas that speak not only to the response and recovery, but also of repair and revival: repair of historic harms and intergenerational trauma playing out as male domination, gender-based violence, economic insecurity, poor health and mass incarceration. These are serious threat to a sustainable resilient society. It is clearer than ever that capitalism could not care for us during COVID-19. Now is the time to prioritize a revival of place-based practices and knowledge, and self-determination.

So, that's from there. And then also the reality of harnessing. What it also states specifically, harnessing the role of midwifery to improve deficits in maternal and neonatal healthcare. We really see that the education pathways are not available for people in Hawaii to even embark in this journey, other than being a nurse. But that maternal care is so essential, and the treasures that are in the Hawaiian cosmology, Hawaiian traditions, allows us that space versus an American system of maternal care in that economic, it is actually built in disparities. And so, the transformation of that field's very important.

And earlier, you know, hearing it's just like the combination of domestic violence organizations, Papa Ola Lokahi, Na Pu`uwai, Hui No Ke Ola Pono, I mean these, systems, they, they hold gems. And I really feel the economy should place money in these systems and make this a valuable time, a huge possibility of transformation within a Hawaiian context.

CHAIR LEE: Excuse me. Can, can you conclude your testimony please?

MS. MCKENZIE: Yes. So, I just want to say I'm in strong support of the Feminist Recovery Plan. And as a citizen, I am glad to help in any way I can. So, thank you for everything and that's all.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Are there any questions, Members? If not, thank you very much.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, the next person signed up to testify is Tanya Smith-Johnson. To be followed by Sheri Daniels.

MS. TANYA SMITH-JOHNSON (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Aloha. Can you hear, can you all hear me?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Yea.

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Chair. I think Tamara, had a question, Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Point of information. I was looking on Akaku, and we don't have the, the picture. Is there something wrong with the feed?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: What picture are you talking about, Member Paltin?

CHAIR LEE: Okay. We'll, we'll take a short break here and find out.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: It's, it's on. It's on TV.

CHAIR LEE: So, please don't go anywhere. It'll be a minute. It's on TV?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yea.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: You have the picture?

CHAIR LEE: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes.

CHAIR LEE: Yes. Apparently, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez has a picture.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Oh, now--

CHAIR LEE: Does anybody else have Akaku on?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Now it just came up.

CHAIR LEE: Now it's back on? Okay. Alright. Thank you. I'm sorry, testifier. Could you state your name for the record? And we can see you and we can hear you.

MS. SMITH-JOHNSON: Okay. Thank you. Aloha and thank you for the opportunity to speak. For the record, I'm Tanya Smith-Johnson testifying in support of CC 20-329, Feminist Recovery Plan. Like Vice-Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez so beautifully stated, there's no coincidence that we are discussing a feminist recovery plan on Juneteenth; the day where the last of my ancestors found out they were free.

As a Black woman serving community, who has given birth here to two children on this land, a birthworker, midwife, maternal child advocate, and as one of the authors of the Feminist Recovery Plan for COVID-19, I am my, my ancestors wildest dreams. As a advocate for women, those who identify such birthing people and . . . folks, it is essential that we will not only consider but sensor the most vulnerable, marginalized, and impacted among us as we figure out ways forward.

I've served women on Maui who have been impacted by COVID-19 as they navigate work, trying to get paid leave, and birthing during this time. I've had the need to help

mothers navigate childcare as essential workers, and having to figure out whether it's worth working just to pay babysitters where their pay is less than what they're paying a babysitter to care for their children.

I have witnessed the food and security as women try to figure out how to feed their families and keep roofs over their head during this time. As a Black mother of six children myself, who was already homeschooling before COVID hit, have been bombarded by people who are asking for ways to figure out how to educate their kids during this time.

We know that Black, and Pacific Islander, and Native Hawaiian women have been hit harder than anyone else during this pandemic. This is our opportunity to build and enact a plan that doesn't just do things the way we've always done. This is our time to correct the wrongs, rectify the inequities, and to move into a present and a future that takes care of those that take care of us; the women, the mothers, the caregivers.

The future that we look for can be done now by you. Please pass this measure today. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Are there any questions? If not, thank you very much. Oh, we have a question.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yea, thank you, Chair. And thank you for being here, Ms. Smith-Johnson and everybody else who's supporting this really important measure. I just wanted to point out that, you know, our resolution actually is urging the Administration. So, I, I want to know, I want to, I guess my question to you is, can we get this same response, you know, this same lobbying response to the Mayor after hopefully we pass this resolution? So, you know, we need all the groups to be, continue to be involved. Because we can't--

MS. SMITH-JOHNSON: Absolutely.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. Great.

MS. SMITH-JOHNSON: Absolutely.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you. Thank you for making that commitment. And thank you for being here.

MS. SMITH-JOHNSON: Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Are there any other questions? If not, thank you very much.

And, Mr. Clerk, please call the next testifier.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, the next person signed up to testify is Sheri Daniels. To be followed by Dr. Kealoha Fox.

MS. SHERI DANIELS, NATIVE HAWAIIAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER HAWAII COVID-19
RESPONSE, RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE TEAM (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Aloha. Can you guys see me?

CHAIR LEE: Aloha.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Part of you.

CHAIR LEE: Almost. We see-

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Just a part of you, we can see you.

CHAIR LEE: We don't see your eyes.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: A little higher.

MS. DANIELS: Oh, there, there, there.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Perfect. Thanks, Sheri.

MS. DANIELS: Sorry. Sorry. I know, sorry, technical difficulties. Welina mai kakou. Aloha kakahiaka, Madam Chair Lee as well as Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Today, well, I'm not a paid lobbyist, so I want to put that out there. And today, I'm testifying in strong support of CC 20-329. And it's the Feminist Economy Recovery Plan for COVID-19.

We did submit our testimony, so that can be looked at as reference. But I wanted to say Ha`awe i ke kua; hi`i i ke alo. A burden on the back; a babe in the arms. It's an olelo no`eau by Kukui that talks about a hardworking woman who carries a load on her

back and a baby in her arms. And I think that's very, that's what we see in our communities.

Today, I'm representing as one of the four co-leads of the Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Hawaii COVID-19 Response, Recovery, and Resilience Team. And it's made up of 30 plus organizations statewide. And we're part of a national consortium of Pacific Islander teams responding to COVID. So, myself and my co-leads, Dr. Keawe, Dr. Joseph Keawe'aimoku Kaholokula, Ms. Josie Howard, and Felea'i Tau, we're wanting to strongly support this because we understand that in our Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander communities, there's a longstanding history of how our indigenous mindset uplifts the mana of our women, and that it's important that we support this for the health and well-being of our community.

You guys heard Kamahanahokulani talk earlier this morning, representing our Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act. I also wear the hat of Executive Director for Papa Ola Lokahi. And it is our kuleana to raise the health and well-being of Native Hawaiians not only here in the State of the Hawaii, but across the country. And we are so, we are very pleased as part of the COVID team that we're seeing this resolution that promotes the best practices, and evidence that supports priorities that are successful in improving the overall public health of our people.

This resolution is an important step for Maui County to support the pathways out of despair. And we've heard other testifiers talk about that you guys are setting the pathway. And I got to say, you know, being born and raised here on Maui, that's what I can, I can appreciate about our Council; is you guys not afraid to tackle the big things, ask the hard questions, push when you guys need to push.

And I, and in response to Councilwoman King's question about the Administration. I think you guys set the tone. I think you guys have always demonstrated the abilities, set the tone with our County and with our Administration. And this is one of those that we cannot just sit back and be complacent any longer.

So, I hope that we encourage the resourcing to be provided not only to our community, but especially our marginalized communities; our LGBTQ, our transgender, our Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander groups as well. That we look at women, girls, mahu, and aikane on the islands of Maui, Molokai, Lanai, and Kahoolawe. That we're confident that we're identifying common goals that we can build upon our strengths. And I think that's very cognizant of our community as Native Hawaiians, especially that we are here to uplift and to help continue to move our lahui forward. So, mahalo for the opportunity.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you very much. Are there any questions? Appreciate your testimony. Mahalo.

MS. DANIELS: Thank you. Mahalo.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, the next person signed up to testify is Dr. Kealoha Fox. To be followed by Dr. Amanda Shaw.

DR. KEALOHA FOX, ALOHACARE (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Madam Chair, Vice-Chair, Honorable Members, am I coming into you okay?

CHAIR LEE: Yes, you are.

DR. FOX: Great. Thank you. I'm Dr. Kealoha Fox, testifying on behalf of AlohaCare, in support of 20-329. I have my first grader here who is simultaneously doing summer school. And we're both here in support of the COVID-19 Feminist Economic Recovery Plan centering women and girls, mahu and aikane. A copy of AlohaCare's written testimony in support has been sent directly to you for your record. I am not a lobbyist. And I'm a humble descendent of my ancestors from Waikapu, Maui, speaking with you today.

AlohaCare believes that sound economic recovery plans must prioritize vulnerable and at-risk community members. This is essential for the members who we serve that reside on Maui, Lanai, and Molokai, and who are in need of economic support right now. Your folks help today in passing this can make significant impact potential for our enrollees.

We're a local nonprofit health plan founded in 1994 by Hawaii's Community Health Centers. We only serve Medicaid and Medicare dual-eligible health plan members, including on your islands that are your constituents.

72 percent of AlohaCare's Medicare members, Medicaid members are women, infants, children, and adolescents. So, we're talking to your constituents right now too. In fact, one in five of AlohaCare's women and girls, they reside on your islands. 20 percent of our Native Hawaiian women members reside on your islands, and 22 percent of our Native Hawaiian girls reside in your County.

We're closely monitoring what we can do as the health care industry and service providers to ensure the health and wellness of our members that are your constituents. And these are gaining, right?

So, Department of Human Services has released data that shows that your County has seen a 53 percent increase in MedQUEST applications. That 44,000 Maui County residents now rely on QUEST Integration to cover all of their health care needs, which we offer free of cost to them.

So, we're listening and we're here to support and we applaud your honorable work to end health disparities and address social inequities. We're quoting the world economic forum. Health care systems like ours, we are overburdened, and we're stretched. Many people during COVID-19 are also being asked to care for, provide care at home, like I'm doing now to my son, who's trying to tell me that he's accidently logged out of his summer school. Women just like me are really struggling right now, Councilmembers.

We're trying to find ways that we can not only provide this caregiving work, but we can also lend a hand to uplift our vulnerable and at-risk community members. This measure aligns with our vision of whole person health and whole community well-being. We're here to help as a partner. We want to work with you as a service provider in your jurisdiction. And we really want to help to make sure that we prioritize those folks in medically underserved areas who are at high-risk needs. We ask you to humbly pass 20-329 today. Mahalo.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Are there any questions?

Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Aloha, Dr. Fox. I hope, do you have time to answer another question? I know your son is trying to get back onto his school.

DR. FOX: I do. He's now logged back in with his kumu and he can go.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: I don't want to interrupt the education. No, but, so, my question, my, I have two, a two-fold question. One is in the original emergency . . . that the Council, before the CARES Act money became available, it was \$6 million in two different pots of money. Were you able to access any of that funding? AlohaCare, was that organization able to access any of that funding?

DR. FOX: It's, thank you, that is a, that is a great question. Thank you for it. So, the CARES Act money is going directly to the States right now. So, because--

- COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yea, but before that. The first, the first money that we, that the Council approved before the CARES Act funding became available, there was, there were two, there was a \$4 million pot of money and there was a \$2 million pot of money that went to a program called H.E.L.P. And I just wondered if you were, if AlohaCare was able to access any of that initial funding?
- DR. FOX: Great question. And I can clarify with our chief financial officer. But no, I don't believe that we were.
- COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. And then my second question is, we had a review of how the Administration intends to use the CARES Act funding in Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez's Economic Development and Budget Committee meeting this week. And so, I'm just wondering if you are following, you know, your organization is following those proposals and if you have any direct input that you can give us, not right now, but separately maybe on their proposals?
- DR. FOX: Yes. We are following the discussions and the plans quite closely. We are hoping to work more directly with the decision-makers. And we always support seats for us at the table to be included in any of those discussions and decision-makings, especially for Medicaid and Medicare recipients.
- COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. And it would be helpful just for, if you could CC the Council on whatever your input is. That would be really appreciated. You and all the other groups that are testifying, because we want to know what, what your, you know, we want your voice as part of this.

DR. FOX: Mahalo.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Mahalo.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Are there any more questions? If not, thank you, Dr. Fox. Oh, we have one more question.

Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. Real quick. Aloha, Dr. Fox. Mahalo for joining us today. So, just really quickly. What I got from your testimony is a strong sense of urgency in, in passing this today. And if you could just really quickly just explain that urgency?

DR. FOX: Yes, absolutely. So, when we're talking about Medicaid and Medicare populations, we're already talking about people who meet the Federal poverty threshold. This is an absolute necessity now. We're talking about our members need food, they need transportation, they need high-quality care, and they need that testing, and that treatment to be covered as a benefit to their service. They don't only need that; they need a lot of social support. We're talking about mental health and emotional help. We're talking about need to access the services within the communities as they start to open up.

Because I said, you know, 72 percent of our members are women, infants, children, and adolescents. We're also talking about the nexus between healthcare and housing, healthcare and education, healthcare and human services. So, there's a lot of work that we must do together, and that is really a part of our urgency that we share with you today. Mahalo.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Dr. Fox. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Are there any other questions? If not, thank you, Dr. Fox.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, the next person signed up to testify is Dr. Amanda Shaw. To be followed by Sunny Chen.

DR. AMANDA SHAW (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Aloha, Councilmembers and Chair. Thank you for the opportunity to testify. Can you hear me okay?

CHAIR LEE: Yes, you're coming through fine.

DR. SHAW: Thank you. My name is Dr. Amanda Shaw. I'm a resident of Oahu and so privileged and honored to share in the work that's happening on Maui. We often look to Maui and have historically to lead us on important social issues, including in relation to feminism. And I'm here to, you know, speak and testify in strong support of the measure on the Feminist Economic Recovery Plan.

We've been watching here at the State level and nationally as well with a lot of concern and dismay about the way the economic recovery We have seen that the economic analysis being provided to State, and to national, and, and filtering in some sense to County levels has actually really excluded consideration of the folks being

most impacted by the economic dimensions of the COVID-19 crisis, as well as the broader health implications.

So, when I'm talking about that, I mean 57 percent of those that have been laid off are women in the State of Hawaii. We had that disaggregated analysis come out a few weeks ago by the UH Economic Research Organization. But that's the only information we've had about any disaggregated impacts. And that's very limited. That data is not, you know, complete. So, we're seeing a lot of decisions being made at the State level that are very concerning, because they're completely ignoring the disaggregated impact that some of my colleagues have, have spoken about.

And forgive me and let me introduce myself a bit more. I'm an economic development and gender specialist. So, for the last 15 years or so, I worked with economic organizations internationally and in the UK. And basically, my work is to advise them on how to ensure the economic policies and development policies take account the needs of those most marginalized that are often excluded from policymaking procedures. And so, we've developed a number of methods to do that through social impact assessments and, and otherwise which you will be familiar with in some form here as well.

And so, I personally am very dismayed that we're seeing none of those good practices taken up in this economic recovery process at the State level. And I also think that at the municipal level, there is such important, such important possibilities to really connect with the grassroots concerns of constituents in a way that sometimes gets lost as things filter up. So, I'm very encouraged with the introduction of this measure and wish to testify in full support.

And just to underline the, the urgency. You know, as I said, the folks that have been laid off during this crisis are women. They're the majority of the folks taking on the caring burden and also supporting folks that have been laid off as well. And we're just concerned that those concerns and those issues are really not filtering up to the top level. There's been very little consultation. And so, we'd like to urge you to please support this measure as soon as possible. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you, Dr. Shaw. We have a guestion for you from Member Tamara Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Dr. Shaw, for being here. I was surprised to hear that 57 percent of those laid off were women. And, you know, I just was wondering if you had any information, because our office has gotten communication from folks that say they were offered back to their work at some level, but for various reasons, they couldn't go back to work.

DR. SHAW: I think that's absolutely something to be concerned about. And I think the commission might be in a position to also provide some information on the concerns they're hearing from constituents and citizens.

I think what we saw in the 2008 recovery was a lot of concerning things. We saw an increase in firings of pregnant employees, as I think probably many of you are aware. That recovery process was very lopsided. It affected, you know, people are, our position in the economy in different sectors and so a lot of the layoffs initially were in, in what we consider male-dominated industries. However, those first let go are often on more precarious contracts who tend to be women, precarious or part-time.

So, I think we're really, you know, we're at a moment where we need to be gathering data about exactly how this is playing out in our communities along the lines of gender, along the lines of race and ethnicity and other social factors. It's absolutely critical, otherwise we're going to see folks left behind. And they're being left behind right now, because folks, you know, at the, that we're seeing at the higher levels are really not, they're not catching on. And we've seen rhetoric about a collaborative community process. And I have been very dismayed that that has been complete rhetoric and really we have not seen the actions. So, I think the, those are absolute concerns we need to be paying attention to.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you. Thank you, Chair. I think Member Sinenci also had his hand up.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Mr. Sinenci.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Mahalo, Chair. Mahalo, Member Paltin. Yea, I just had a question for Dr. Shaw. We've been hearing a lot of stories out of the Big Island about missing children. And, and you know, rumors of potential sex slave and that kind of stuff. Is this something that we should be, it, we're at that point of concern? Your opinion.

DR. SHAW: I think also, yea, just also refer back to my colleagues who have spoken earlier who might have more contact with some of those issues; the commission and, and

folks that are working directly with those issues. However, I have heard, and we do know that many providers are expecting a huge increase of disclosures and reporting around child sexual violence as we come out of the lockdown. We know that homes are not safe for everyone. So, absolutely, those, those issues, we know that they're happening. I, I'm not familiar with the particular case on the Big Island. But absolutely, homes are not safe for everyone, and so it's just, expect that everyone can manage this crisis by staying home and staying safe. We know that that has not worked for everyone.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Mahalo. Thank you for that. And thank you for your work. Thank you, Chair.

DR. SHAW: You're welcome. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Any more questions? Thank you very much, Dr. Shaw. Thank you.

Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: The next person signed up to testify is Sunny Chen. To be followed by the individual connected to the meeting from the phone number ending with these last four digits: 4344.

MS. SUNNY CHEN (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Aloha, Chair, Vice-Chair, and Honorable Members. I'm Sunny Chen. Are you guys able to hear me?

CHAIR LEE: Yes, we are.

MS. CHEN: Hi. Hi, I'm Sunny Chen, testifying in strong support of CC 20-329. I believe it's critical to have a gender-based responsive approach when addressing the economic consequences of COVID-19. Investing in equity at the core of economic recovery plan means continuing our work that focuses on the social determinance of health. COVID-19 will create greater inequalities, barriers, and stigmas in our community already at risk.

As a nurse, a mother, and director of a nonprofit that serves mothers and infants in Hawaii, I respectfully urge you to pass CC 20-329, so that we will be able to lay the foundation for a recovery plan that puts systemic and gender-based violence at the forefront, build strong high quality childcare and early learning, and help develop policies through intersectional gender-based lens. Mahalo for your time.

CHAIR LEE: Mahalo. Are there any questions? If not, thank you for joining us. Thank you.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, the next person signed up to testify is the individual connected to the meeting from the phone number ending with these last four digits, 4344. To be followed by Clare Apana.

MR. KANILOA KAMAUNU (testifying on County Communication Nos. 20-327, 20-328, and 20-329, and General Communication No. 20-3):

Hello.

CHAIR LEE: Hello?

MR. KAMAUNU: Yes.

CHAIR LEE: Can you state your name?

MR. KAMAUNU: Yes. This is Kaniloa Kamaunu from Waihee Valley. So, I wanted to comment.

CHAIR LEE: Oh, good morning.

MR. KAMAUNU: Good morning. Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Council, for holding your meeting this morning and taking testimony. So, I was going to testify on four items, starting with 20-327, Director of Water Supply. So, as, as part of the Aha Moku O Wailuku Executive Council, as the Water Chair representing this area, I, I would appreciate if there's some way that we could also receive the report that gets generated from the Water Department. If you don't mind getting that to us, because it is a concern, especially with the developments that are coming up within our area; several residential areas, as well as with the, the activity on the south part of Maui with the expansion of the Grand Wailea, as well as some other areas in Makena that are being developed. We are, and because there's an impact to our water resource, I ask that

we receive, as Aha Moku, the Act 212, that we receive notifications of those reports. So, that's for that.

And then for 20-328, again, you know, there is a failure, I guess. There's a failure of communication between us as the Aha and also for me as kuleana, trying to get a meeting with the Water Department. I not saying it's all their fault. I know that I was reached out to. But during that time, all these things came up and they were, you know, with work and everything for me, that became priority. But I did try to respond later, but I didn't get any response. I think her name is Ava, that's producing the water management plan for the County.

So, you know, our thing with the water, and I've said this before, and I have stated in the, in CWRM when they had the contested case hearings for Na Wai Eha, that you know, being kuleana and kuleana rights, our rights are superior to that of the County and State. And that was recognized in the, in that, in that hearing by the State. They recognized my right. And even their water permits, State, that even if we don't apply for the permit, that our water rights, it doesn't interfere with our water right. So, I was recognized by the State as kuleana, recognized by the State as having superior rights.

Also, in the County Council, which two of you are members that are there, Mike Molina and also, um, um, getting old already, even the Mayor, and heard me speak on this before; fought for kuleana rights and I was recognized as kuleana in the County Council chambers many years ago, about 2009, I think, 2008. And also, having superior rights. And I come forward, you know, and, and it's not to be antagonistic, but it's to put things into proper perspective, that there are, when you, when the County starts to relate to shareholders or stakeholders, which I asked for clarification and there was none, that the real stakeholders are the kanaka, are the kuleana, because that is our vested right.

Whether you believe the kingdom is not alive, it doesn't diminish my rights which is stated in the State Constitution Section 12, Section 7, which is stated throughout the . . . the State laws, and as well as Public Law 103-150, which recognizes our continuous sovereign right.

So, with that being said, and also I, I also challenge the County and State to prove that they have actually public trust through these resources, because I don't see a transfer of action even during the annexation resolution. They did not transfer any lands with any resources.

And, and we also have to remember that the United States only received 1.8 million acres of property that we still, as kanaka, have monetary interest, which isn't being dealt with, which needs to be dealt with, especially when it comes to the resources that

affect aina, which is our kupuna if we're talking about who we are. And, also, so I'm going to move on. And I'll leave that with that for that section.

And then I'd like to go to 20-329, for Councilmember Rawlins. You know, I, I am a child of a single parent in the 60, in the 70's and the 60's. And I, we actually came back from the East Coast. My dad had gotten into trouble, was court-marshalled and my mom, my mother was with 10 children, thrown off the base and left destitute. And only through our church and through an aunty we were able to get home. . . . we come back here and because we were destitute.

And so, from then on, my mother had the responsibility of 10 children. And she struggled, because she had no formal education. But, even when it was a struggle to keep 10 kids fed, 10 kids dressed, keeping them going to school, keeping them out of jail, which she accomplished all on her own without any male support. And all of us graduated from school. We all became responsible citizens of this community. I have brothers that served in the military. And we are contributing members of this community and have been.

And . . . and so, knowing the struggles of my mother, it is important that single mothers out there, or mothers that come from abused situations, especially children who need to grow up in this society, I think are, are, and any single parent needs to have the support of a government structure that understand the severity of no support and be left alone to wonder where your meals come from and wondering what would happen to your children.

So, coming from an area where at the time it wasn't easy for women, especially back then, women think they have it hard now, but back then it was a true struggle because it was a man's world. And I am in support, much support of equality for our wahine, because it's tough for them. There's no love in the home. But I also see our women struggling to live in this society. But I think our women need to not only be supported economically, but they needed, they, they are very well needed in our homes to play the part of mothers. Because we as fathers, can't do that. We as grandfathers can't do that. So, both components are very important to the stability of a good community and a stability of, you know, of our families. And that's what we need; good families. But if the mother and father are missing, it's hard to do. So, I'm in support of, of moving to support our wahine, especially those that are, are abused and are single. And with that being said, I'll leave that to that.

And then move onto 20, I think it's, the general comments for section 20-3; Honua`ula. Again, for me, this is, comes through land commission awards. We all know that the United States does not have any land patents in Hawaii because all land patent were done under the Kingdom of Hawaii. Even the lands that the State had is all patented

under the Kingdom of Hawaii. So, according to Federal law, once a, once properties are adjudicated, legally adjudicated, there's no power that can actually undo it. There is no mechanism unless the mechanism itself is in place, which is the Kingdom of Hawaii and all these components. There is no mechanism that can change the status of that property. So, once it's conveyed and adjudicated by law in any country, it stays like that. That's why how, United States does not have any land patents in Hawaii. Those patents still belong to the Kingdom of Hawaii.

And with that being said, all land grants, land commission awards, especially, still belong to those that it was conveyed to under that law of the Kingdom of Hawaii. And that is why Hawaii continues, even though they have a real property tax and try to bring us out as owners, that . . . the real title is still in that land commission award, which this title is under. It has a land commission award. And with that being said, that title still belongs to the land commission holder, which was conveyed during the Mahele. And so, that's still a legal, a legal title. It is the only title that's there.

The issue now is whether or not Mr. Jencks has any actual interest. His only interest, according to your standards is the TMK, which you also place upon that, our LCA taxing. And then that was, gives him his interest or . . . of title to that property, because he paid "x" amount of money in your system, and now you're upholding it because of that TMK. But the land commission award still gives property right, ownership to his heirs, to that land commission award heirs.

So, as you can see with Keeaumoku Kapu and what's happening in Lahaina in his valley, that is the case the Supreme Court ruled on, which still show interest. So, I am in, I am objecting to any real property attachment by Mr. Jencks. Cause really, he has only common title. And so, for me, it, you know, this needs to be really looked at and really look at what's happening to Makena. Thank you very much.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Thank you. Are there any questions? Mr. Kamaunu, we have your telephone number, and I'm going to ask the County Clerk to call you so that he can explain to you how you can access these water reports. And cause it's available to actually everyone. And so, we'll just let you know how to go on the, our website and, and get a copy--

MR. KAMAUNU: Okay.

CHAIR LEE: --from And then you can do that in the future too whenever, whenever there's a, you, you see on the agenda there's a report, you can go straight to the website and get a copy for yourself. Okay?

MR. KAMAUNU: Alright, Madam Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: You're welcome.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair.

MR. KAMAUNU: Aloha.

CHAIR LEE: Are there, if not, Mr. Clerk. Aloha.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: The next person signed up to testify is Clare Apana. To be followed by Jacquelyn Ingram.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Apana. Can't see you yet. Is she on?

MS. CLARE APANA (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329 and General Communication No. 20-3):

Oh, it just went off again.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: It came on.

MS. APANA: Am I unmuted?

CHAIR LEE: We can hear you now. No, we can hear you.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: We can hear you.

CHAIR LEE: Can't see you yet.

MS. APANA: Can you hear me?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Now we can see you.

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

MS. APANA: Oh, you can see me too?

CHAIR LEE: Yea, yea.

MS. APANA: I don't know, you, you--

CHAIR LEE: Yes, nice--

MS. APANA: --muted and unmuted me.

CHAIR LEE: --nice hat you have there.

MS. APANA: Nice to see you. Good morning, Councilmembers. I am of course in support of the resolution about, for the feminist movement. I, I love that. Don't you love that? You guys are mostly females. And I really look back to our, our Queen and, and the many wonderful traits that she had, which were like onipa'a to be steadfast and to have strength to keep going. And her amazing forgiveness, right? To forgive and to move to another day. And, and her great presence of aloha. I guess you could call it aloha, but her great presence of love for all people. So, I, I, I thank you so much for bringing that resolution forward and I totally support it.

And I would like to also testify on resolution [sic] 20-3, which is Wailea 670 or now called Honua'ula. Yes? Okay.

CHAIR LEE: Sure.

MS. APANA: And interesting that this is a, a day of honoring black lives, because we see this all the time in advocating for our aina. And this, and particularly this project has gone on for so long and we often get blamed for making the process longer. But I want to tell you that had things been done correctly, this would not have taken so long. Do you know that we still do not have a map with the right numbers and positions of the sites on it after all these years? And I know Lucienne testified before. I have watched her pour over those maps and correct them over and over and over again. There's no reason why a map could not be produced that is accurate. So, we are still at that point.

And last year, one of your conditions 27 is that the Planning Commission accept a report. And so, a report was given as a draft. And this is the, the report from Fish and Wildlife. And it was accepted as a draft by the Planning Commission. It's not even finished yet, because the 106 process is part of that report. So, here we go, you know, things out of order, things not done, and going forward into trying to fulfill conditions when the report is not even, to this day, finished.

So, I want to say that, thank you for going to get the water reports, because I've been looking for them. And I called the Clean Water Branch. They don't know. Either I don't

have the right person, or they don't know where they are. So, I'm, I'm also doing that. Thank you for doing that.

I thank you, Mr. Hokama, for bringing up the affordable housing. We had a meeting one day, and one of the younger descendants of this area asked can you, can you include us? Can you build houses, those houses? Can we be able to have a chance to buy those houses? And, and the next meeting he was told no, cannot, cannot. We can't, it's not going to make the price, or we can't build you houses that are affordable; they're apartments. And so, this young man goes, well, I don't know what I'm doing here. This is not for me. This, I have nothing to do with this project. And it was so sad, because I think it is possible.

There are, they are doing that in the Makena Project. They're, they're making affordable houses that could be for people who come from families of that area. And I think that that would be a good thing. And I wish that Mr. Jencks would make that available. And I wish he would just actually build some of those houses. But cannot finish the paperwork and the things, the conditions that he needs to do, unless in good faith he produces the things that need to be done, like an accurate map.

I, I would just like to say one thing about what I am working on. And that is the map of the Papa Kilo Hoku, which is Mika Lee, who is now deceased. And his map mapped out sites along the land that relate to the stars. So, this is archeoastronomy coming from the Hawaiian signs. The Papa Kilo Hoku is one of the highest experts in our culture. And he mapped out that entire area, along with the sites that were found.

And it shows an entire village; how, how life was. Where you planted, when you planted. Where you would bury and where were the burial stars that showed you at which time you would bury in this area. And where the women would work. Where is the mo'i living. It was, it is an amazing map. I cannot finish it, because I can't get the right numbers from the developer. I can't, I can't get the updated right numbers to, so that the, it can, it can coincide with what is currently here today.

So, I just, I just want to say that it has been my greatest honor to be part of this land and be going on the land. And we, I continue to work to tell the right story, because it is not only an agricultural field system, it is a place where our people lived and will live. It is a place where our culture lives and will live continuously on if it is allowed to be that way, and we can do it. But we do need accuracy. We do need a complete archaeological inventory survey with a map that is correct. We do need these things to interface with the modern-day science that is necessary to record and to, to get those rights pa'a into the system. So, I think probably my time is up.

But I see Chair is getting da kine, so I, I will conclude here and just to say that the work goes on at Wailea 670. I have made so many letters and so much trying to get the 106 process straightened out in this last three years, down to the DLNR accepting it, the head of DLNR accepting it when the DLNR does not accept 106's. They do not do 106 processes. So, this is part of what was wrong; is that it was taken to be a process in SHPD and SHPD does not do 106 processes. So, I am glad that we are finally on track. And now the testimony and the words can come from the people who have the stories of this place and have, and the descendants who have ohana who live there. So, mahalo nui. Thank you for your time. And, and I'm pau now.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Thank you, Clare. Are there any questions? If not, thanks again for coming.

Mr. Clerk, do we have another testifier?

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Yes, Madam Chair. The next person signed up to testify is Jacquelyn Ingram. To be followed by Carol Lee Kamekona.

MS. JACQUELYN INGRAM (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Okay. Am I on there? Can they see me? Okay. Hello. I'm Jacquelyn Ingram. Can you hear me fine?

CHAIR LEE: Yes. Hi.

MS. INGRAM: Okay. Hi. Aloha. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

CHAIR LEE: State your name for the record please.

MS. INGRAM: Yes. Jacquelyn Ingram.

CHAIR LEE: Okay, Ms. Ingram, please proceed.

MS. INGRAM: Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony for CC 20-329. I'm a mother of three. My last baby was just born at home here on Thanksgiving. I'm also a midwife, lactation consultant, and I've lived continuously in Hawaii now since 2018. I'm also Aleut Native Alaskan and I've got family ties to Maui and Molokai since 1972. We've had homes there.

It's important to recognize the role of women in this COVID recovery time. We are leaders in society, both at home and in the workplace. We need living wages,

affordable childcare, safe and compassionate eldercare, and access to midwifery care for everyone. We can celebrate culture, and ceremony, and pregnancy, birth, and postpartum so mothers and families feel supported and cared for during this time.

I hope this County will be the leader, the first to accept the Feminist Economic Recovery Plan. It is fitting today as Juneteenth. And I'm also hopeful Hawaii will finally adopt this day as a recognized day of observance. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Are there any questions?

If not, Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, the next person signed up to testify is Carol Lee Kamekona. To be followed by Nancy Kreidman.

CHAIR LEE: Where is our testifier? We can't see you.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Carol Lee Kamekona.

CHAIR LEE: Carol Lee Kamekona.

MS. CAROL LEE KAMEKONA (testifying on General Communication No. 20-3):

Can you see me?

CHAIR LEE: Do you see her on?

MS. KAMEKONA: Can you hear me?

CHAIR LEE: Oh, now we see you. Okay. Yea, got you.

MS. KAMEKONA: Can you see me?

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

MS. KAMEKONA: Good morning, Madam Chair, Madam Vice-Chair, and Councilmembers. I am testifying on behalf of GC 20-3, which is the Wailea 670 compliance report. I would like to say that as a cultural practitioner and a descendent of the area of Honua`ula, I am definitely concerned with the water quality. I am also an intervener to the Grand Wailea Resort expansion contested case that is currently in the department of the Planning Commission.

The Wailea 670 project is mauka of the Grand Wailea. So, I'm really concerned about the water quality. I was able to see an aerial picture of Kahamanini Beach from 1975 when they were building the Intercontinental Hotel. If you were to see that picture, if you were to see the beach, and you were to see the water, you would see how clear, how blue it was. And that's what I would like to see it returned to. It is in that condition, almost, currently because of COVID-19. The fact that there haven't been that many people down to the beaches. So, our beaches are recovering. Our oceans are healing. Our aina is healing.

I know, Chair, you had mentioned that the reports with regards to the water quality are accessible. I would like to make sure that those reports include a baseline of whatever the water standards were, the data collection, to make sure that throughout the construction of not only the Grand Wailea, but the Wailea 670 project, that as construction runoff goes into the soil, that it doesn't seep to our oceans. So, I'm hoping the reports have a part of that. So, I mahalo you, Chair, for letting Kaniloa Kamaunu know that it is part of your reports in the records.

I would like to mahalo Council Chair Hokama for also remembering the affordable housing stipulation that was, that was part of the conditions. I would especially love to mahalo Lucienne and Clare who have done huge research, documentation, and maps, along with Mika Lee in this area.

So, in closing, Madam Chair, I would like to say I am in support of condition 20 of the Wailea 670, with regard to water quality monitoring and water quality data adequate to assess compliance with applicable State water quality standards at HAR Chapter 11-54. Mahalo.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Are you able to leave a message in the chatroom, your telephone number? And then we can also let you know how to access the reports as well. Okay?

MS. KAMEKONA: Yes, Madam Chair.

CHAIR LEE: And--

MS. KAMEKONA: Mahalo.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. And if you can't, just, just call my office. Alright. Thank you. Are there any questions, anyone? If not, thank you.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, the next person signed up to testify is Nanci Kreidman. To be followed by Kate Griffiths. Kate Griffiths is the last person signed up to testify.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Kreidman. Ms. Kreidman. I saw her on earlier. Ms. Kreidman.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Ms. Kreidman is connected to the meeting, but her microphone is muted on her end. We cannot unmute it on our end.

CHAIR LEE: Oh. Ms. Kreidman. Can she see us?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair, perhaps we go to the next testifier and then we can try back with Ms. Kreidman.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Yes. Thank you.

Ms. Griffiths. Kate, are you there? Okay. Kate, you ready?

MS. KATE GRIFFITHS, (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Can you hear me?

CHAIR LEE: Can't hear you either. Oh, now we can. Okay.

MS. GRIFFITHS: Okay. Aloha. My name is Kate Griffiths. You guys know me more behind the scenes as I work in Councilmember Kelly King's office. But I also publish "The Mauimama", a local magazine, local resource guide that supports and advocates the likes of women, children, and birth. And I'm also the Chair of the County of the Maui Committee on the Status of Women. Our first meeting since COVID-19 is next Tuesday, so we have not had the opportunity to discuss the Commission on the Status of Women's Feminist Economic Recovery Plan for COVID-19.

Today, I'm speaking on behalf of myself and The Mauimama in support of County Communication 20-329. This pandemic has given us a gift of pause and reflection. It has exposed long ongoing weaknesses in our economy and inequalities in our society. We have come a long way, but we still need to do a lot of work to ensure an environment where everyone has an opportunity to thrive. We can take this time to rebuild our economy, and this time, not on the backs of those that often are left in the shadows.

I believe we can lift people up and respect them while establishing an equitable system we all do better. Better health, better society, better economy.

A plan that addresses the invisibility of women, including their voice. A plan that opposes cuts in social services, domestic violence, maternal, sexual, reproductive, and mental health services that can be lifelines to many women. A plan that focuses on the diversifying of the economy, steering away from predominantly low **tourist** wages and pivot towards green technology and prevailing wages. A plan that prioritizes social infrastructure, childcare, education, healthcare, and readdress critical economic inequalities by raising minimum wage, universal single payer health care, paid sick days, paid family leave, and food self-sufficiency programs. A plan that focuses on Native Hawaiian recovery needs.

Rather than rush to rebuild the status quo of inequality, I encourage that we support a plan that encourages a deep structural transition; one that will ensure equality and a better life for all. This is why I do the jobs that I do. I try and create a better future for my children and for generations to come. And this is why I support this resolution entitled "SUPPORTING AND URGING THE MAYOR TO SUPPORT A FEMINIST ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN FOR COVID-19", and urge you to pass it. Mahalo for all the hard work you guys do. And thank you for the opportunity to testify.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you, Kate. Are there any questions?

Yes, Ms. King. You know Kate?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: I think I know her. Thanks for everything that you do. That was great testimony. I was just going to ask you if you could send, you know, I think you kind of . . . put it together quickly, but if you can send that testimony to the Committee, that would be great.

MS. GRIFFITHS: Yes. I will send in written testimony. Mahalo, Councilmember King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yea, thank you, Kate. Thanks for everything.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: And thanks for being the--

CHAIR LEE: Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: --cornerstone for our office.

CHAIR LEE: Are there any more questions?

If not, Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, then the last person we have signed up to testify is Nanci Kreidman.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Kreidman. Is there any way to reach her, by the way?

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, we've been attempting to, to reach her. We have not been successful, but we are in receipt of written testimony from her.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Kate, would you happen to have her number, her telephone number? Kate?

MS. GRIFFITHS: I do not.

CHAIR LEE: Oh, okay. Otherwise, we're just going to have to accept her written testimony. It's, it's too bad, cause she's kind of an icon in the area of women's rights and domestic violence. Alright, Members.

Oh, Mr. Clerk, do we have anybody else?

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, oh, we actually do have one other person signed up to testify; Tiare Irvine.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Irvine. Oh, I see Nanci now. How about Tiare Irvine? Do we have, okay, we have Tiare on the line.

MS. TIARE IRVINE (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Hi, everybody.

CHAIR LEE: Good morning.

MS. IRVINE: I, good morning. Thank you all so much for your hard work and your important and incredible leadership at this time. My mom is very, just a little anecdote; my mom is very, very rarely pleased with leadership at the governmental level. And it really means a lot to me that during this really scary time in our community she is actually sounding confident in, in the, you know, and we're all just so grateful and, and supportive of the tremendous work that you're doing. So, thank you for that. Thank

you for creating this forum for us to share our thoughts and for your patience with listening. I'm amazed that the testimony has, is still going on. I've already had one meeting and then come back on the line. So, thank you, thank you, thank you.

Again, I didn't prepare written testimony, but I just wanted to say that with regard to a COVID response plan and the aloha aina economic futures resolution, I am so amazed, and delighted, and grateful for the, the resolution. I personally am connected with the, I think maybe it's "Aina . . . futures" by a childhood friend of mine who is currently part of this indigenous peoples fellowship at Stanford University, and is connected to the founders of, are part of some of the creators of that program through this fellowship. And her and I sharing what, you know, we're working on with C3, which is the organization that I represent which stands for "Common Sense Collective". And then to learn that the County is already in motion with, with strengthening this work that they're doing is just so meaningful for me and I'm so delighted and grateful and support it.

And also, any work that you're doing to support women in domestic violence circumstances, or any sort of non-violence resourcing of our community is also profoundly endorsed and appreciated. And again, thank you for your service.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you for your testimony. Are there any questions? Alright. Thank you.

We see Nanci Kreidman video. She texted, she emailed us that she wasn't able to speak. Is, is there any way we can email her back?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I, I, I think she might be able to hear us. Ms. Kreidman, if you're able to hear us, will you put your hand up? Oh, I, okay, maybe she can't hear us then. I was thinking that perhaps she, if she has a phone, she would be able to call the number, call in her testimony. And she can leave her video up, because we can see her.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, we just sent Ms. Kreidman an email. We do have another testifier signed up. That person is Tamera Heine.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Heine.

MS. TAMERA HEINE (testifying on County Communication No. 20-329):

Hello. Hi.

CHAIR LEE: Hi.

MS. HEINE: Okay. Great. Hi, my name is Tamera. I'm, I'm calling in support of CC 20-329. I am, I'm calling on behalf of the Micronesian Women's Task Force under the Commission on the Status of Women. Not only is the Feminist Economic Recovery Plan for COVID-19 the first of its kind, it's also the first that has included consultation with the Marshallese and Micronesian community; specifically, as women who are the backbone of our society, yet, disproportionately affected by COVID-19. The plan calls for an expansion of the Medicaid to include . . . nationals.

During this time, the most fundamental concern for anyone is their health. Without our health, we are unable to support our family and our community. The plan also recognizes the diversity in our language and cultures, calling for funding that would support these groups to be economically independent. It is critical to put gender equality front and center in the economic recovery for COVID-19. Please pass CC 20-329 today. Mahalo.

CHAIR LEE: Oops. Are there any questions? If not, Ms. Kreidman emailed us and said that she sent in her testimony and that she will not be testifying. But we thank her very much for her support and all the work she does.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, there, we do not have any other testifiers noted. If an individual connected to the meeting has not testified but would like to do so, please identify yourself now. You can also inform staff via the meeting chat. We will be unmuting everyone on our end just to allow someone to identify themselves if necessary. Okay, this is our last call for testifiers. Please identify yourself if you would like to testify now.

Madam Chair, no one else has indicated that they wish to testify, and we have received written testimony.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Any objections to receiving the written testimony, and to closing public testimony?

MEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTION.

CHAIR LEE: No objections. So, ordered.

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, WRITTEN TESTIMONY RECEIVED FROM THE FOLLOWING WERE MADE A PART OF THE RECORD OF THIS MEETING:

- 1. Kamahanahokulani Farrar, Papa Ola Lokahi (Sheri Daniels, Joseph Gonsalves);
- 2. Lucienne de Naie:
- 3. Courty and Natalie Gates;
- 4. Khara Jabola-Carolus, Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women:
- 5. Angelina Mercado, Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence;
- 6. Pahnelopi McKenzie;
- 7. Tanya Smith-Johnson;
- 8. Sheri Daniels, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Hawaii COVID-19 Response, Recovery Resilience Team (Josie Howard, Joseph Keawe`aimoku Kaholokula, Felea`i Tau);
- 9. Paula Arcena, AlohaCare;
- 10. Amanda Shaw;
- 11. Sunny Chen;
- 12. Jacquelyn Ingram;
- 13. Kate Griffiths:
- 14. Tamera Heine:
- 15. Donavan C. Albano;
- 16. Kathleen Algire, Hawaii Children's Action Network;
- 17. Allyson Appelbaum;
- 18. Alexandra Balgos;
- 19. Axel Beers:
- 20. Amanda Candens:
- 21. Jane Chung-Do;
- 22. Scott Crawford:
- 23. Jasmine Pontillas Davé;
- 24. Kaleigh DeSimone;
- 25. Monique DeSimone;
- 26. Abigail Felix;
- 27. Laurie Field, Planned Parenthood;
- 28. Lexi Figueroa;
- 29. Hawley Flack;
- 30. Ashley Galacgac;
- 31. Rebecca Maria Goldschmidt;
- 32. Makanalani M. Gomes:
- 33. Sarah Michal Hamid;
- 34. Elizabeth Hashimoto;

- 35. Shannon Pomaika'i Hennessey;
- 36. Naomi lwabuchi;
- 37. Sanoe Ka'aihune, Women Helping Women;
- 38. Pi`ikea Kalakau-Baarde;
- 39. Charla Konohia;
- 40. Nanci Kreidman, Domestic Violence Action Center;
- 41. Cu Ri Lee;
- 42. Lisa Marten:
- 43. Jayla Martinez;
- 44. Marian L. Miller;
- 45. Nadine Newlight;
- 46. Office of Hawaiian Affairs;
- 47. Kirsten L.L. Oleson:
- 48. Mykie E. Menor Ozoa;
- 49. Catherine Ritti;
- 50. Jordyn Saito;
- 51. Chris Salem:
- 52. Leah Santos;
- 53. Norma Jean Stodden;
- 54. Dilliaur Tellei;
- 55. Halaevalu Vakalahi, Hawai'i Pacific University;
- 56. Noelle Wright; and
- 57. Esme Yokooji.

CHAIR LEE: So, we have received the written testimony into the record, right? And testimony is closed.

Mr. Chair. I mean, Mr., Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, proceeding with minutes.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Council of the County of Maui's regular meeting of March 27, 2020, emergency meeting of April 3, 2020, and regular meeting of April 3, 2020, were presented at this time.

CHAIR LEE: Council Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

I, I MOVE WE ADOPT, OR APPROVE THE MINUTES AS READ BY THE CLERK.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Any discussion? Seconded by, moved by Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, seconded by Member Tasha Kama, to approve the minutes on the three dates as read by the Clerk; March 27, April 3, and April 3.

Any discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion say "aye", raise your hand.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR LEE.

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: I see nine "ayes". Motion carries unanimously.

Mr. Clerk.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Really quickly. Can we have our morning break.

CHAIR LEE: Oh. Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you, Keani.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: No objections.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: I approve.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: No objections.

CHAIR LEE: Okay, we're only 40 minutes behind schedule.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: The rest will be fast.

CHAIR LEE: Why don't we take like a 10-minute break, take 15-minute break, and I'll see you at 11:35, okay?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Recess till 11:35.

(THE MEETING WAS RECESSED BY THE CHAIR AT 11:17 A.M., AND WAS RECONVENED AT 11:40 A.M., WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.)

CHAIR LEE: Will the Maui County Council meeting please reconvene. It is 11:40. Okay. Back on track, Members.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Chair, proceeding with county communications.

COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS

NO. 20-319 - TIVOLI S. FAAUMU, CHIEF OF POLICE, (dated June 3, 2020)

Transmitting a grant agreement with the State of Hawaii, Department of Human Services, Office of Youth Services, for the Positive Outreach Interventions grant in the amount of \$83,132.

CHAIR LEE: Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. If there are no objections, may I request the Clerk to also call up County Communications 20-320 through 20-322?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: No objections.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: No objections.

CHAIR LEE: Any objections?

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MEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTION.

CHAIR LEE: No objections. Okay.

Mr. Clerk.

Informing of the receipt of \$2,402.40 from the Federal Bureau of Investigation which will be used for law enforcement purposes in accordance with Federal Forfeiture Guidelines.

Informing that: 1) a deficit of estimated revenues of \$1.9 million to the General Fund is anticipated due to a reduced Transient Accommodations Tax allocation; and 2) the Department of Environmental Management, Solid Waste Division, anticipates a shortfall of \$2.6 million for Fiscal Year 2020.

Transmitting 66 contracts/grants for May 2020.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

I MOVE TO FILE COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS 20-319 THROUGH 20-322, WITH THE EXCEPTIONS OF ANY CONTRACTS OR GRANTS ANY OF THE MEMBERS WOULD WISH TO PULL OUT.

COUNCILMEMBER KING:

SECOND.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Second.

CHAIR LEE: It's been moved, it's been moved by Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, seconded by Member King, to file County Communications 20-319 through 20-322.

Alright, discussion, Mr., Ms., Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. These communications are informational, and no further action is required by the Council.

Relating to County Communication 20-322, Councilmembers have the opportunity to request specific contracts and grants to refer to Committee for further review and discussion. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Ms. Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you, Chair.

MAY I HAVE CONTRACT C7001-1, WHICH IS ABOUT VISION ZERO?

Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Anymore contracts while we're on this?

Ms. Paltin.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Member Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair.

I WOULD JUST REQUEST IF WE COULD HAVE CONTRACT C6508-1 REFERRED TO MS. SUGIMURA'S COMMITTEE?

It's a, just, you know, so we can be informed. That's a, kind of a hot topic for Lahaina; the Keawe Street Improvements, especially with the two Ikaika Ohana projects on either side of that street. As much information we can get is the best.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Alright. Ms. Sugimura, the first one; C7001-1. Will, what, what Committee is that? Your Committee?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: My Committee. Yea, please, for my Committee.

CHAIR LEE: WIT. Which?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: WIT, correct.

CHAIR LEE: Your Committee?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: It's transportation related. Yea, thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. And then Mr. Hokama. And then Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Mine is not a, thank you, Chair. I'm going to just ask our Budget Chair, regarding 20-322, I notice that there is an increasing amount of requests on the contracts regarding time extensions. While I know that some may be due to the COVID impacts, I just find the amount to be noticeably high and I would ask our Committee Chair if she might at least ask the Department eventually, that appropriate meeting to let us have this discussion on the impacts and how does that delay receiving those goods and services or equipment impact the operations of the various departments. Thank you, Chair, on that one.

On No. 20-321, from the Finance Director. I would like to know, since he mentions the shortfall to the General Fund, is this now part of Section 9-10 of the Charter of the County of Maui, whereby we should be receiving also a mitigation or remedial action plan from the Administration as it regards to dealing with anticipated shortfall? And so, Chair Lee, I would ask if you would consider Corporation Counsel give a comment. But I believe that Section 9-10 of the Charter would be kicking in at this point in time with this official notification from the Finance Director. Thank you for my request.

CHAIR LEE: Corp. Counsel. Corporation Counsel.

CORPORATION COUNSEL MOANA LUTEY: Good morning, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Can we have a, your comment? Yes?

CORPORATION COUNSEL: Yea, I believe that that is--

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Lutey.

CORPORATION COUNSEL: I'm, can you hear me?

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

CORPORATION COUNSEL: Okay. I'm just taking a quick look at that. You're looking at 9-10?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Yes. It's under the financial component of the Charter. And this is under reductions and transfers.

CORPORATION COUNSEL: Yes. I agree. Mr. Hokama's--

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Is there any comment from you, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: As far as getting it into Committee?

CHAIR LEE: Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. There seems to be some kind of timeline on this one, huh?

Mr. Hokama referenced Charter 9-10, Section 9-10, and asked about if a mitigation plan was in process, or triggered?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I'm sorry, Chair. Which item is that?

CHAIR LEE: This is--

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: 321.

CHAIR LEE: --CC 20-321.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh.

CHAIR LEE: And--

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, okay. So, it's not a grant or a contract? Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair. Chair Lee.

CHAIR LEE: Wait, wait. Wait one second.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, you're talking about 20-321, the 1.9 million General Fund from the TAT?

CHAIR LEE: The, okay, at the bottom, there's the shortfall of \$2.6 million for FY 2020.

Mr. Hokama asked about is there a mitigation plan that is triggered. Mr. Hokama--

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, okay.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Yea. So, Chair and fellow Members, you know, the letter states that they're looking at savings. But I would ask Chair Rawlins if you would please consider having this referred to your Committee. I would like us to have an appropriate discussion, cause this is a unique situation when we are being informed of revenue shortages, and for very good reasons I'm sure.

But I would ask you consider that the Committee have that opportunity, work with the Administration, and ensure that the services, especially in this core areas, that we can continue to take care our community needs. So, that would be my request, Chair, Chair Lee and Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo. Mahalo, Member Hokama. And, Chair Lee, we also have Budget Director Michele Yoshimura on the line, that can kind of field any questions or explain a little bit more. But I'm also happy to take this item into Committee.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. I don't think we're, unless there is this . . . matter . . . full discussion. We can, we can discuss it in your Committee. Any objections to that?

MEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTION.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. So, I, I will amend my motion to exclude--

CHAIR LEE: Okay. I don't know. Wait, wait, wait. Not yet, not yet. There's other, the contracts, and then this one. And, why don't you do it altogether, okay? Anymore?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay.

CHAIR LEE: Anybody else wants to see a contract? Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yea, thank you, Chair.

SO, I, IF, IF MEMBER KAMA IS AMENABLE, I WOULD LIKE TO PULL OUT C7087 AND REFER TO HER COMMITTEE.

So, that we can talk about, these are those homeless, the shelters for, for the, the pallet shelters for the homeless.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Ms. Kama, any objections to sending this to your Committee?

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: No, Chair. I have no objections. And thank you very much, Member King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Any other contracts? Yes, Ms. Kama.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Yes, Chair.

IF OUR HEALTHY FAMILIES COMMITTEE CHAIR WOULD BE AMENABLE TO PULLING OUT AND SENDING TO HIS COMMITTEE CONTRACT C6928; IT'S THE LIHIKAI SCHOOL PARK IMPROVEMENT.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Happy to work with you, Ms. Kama. And Chair Lee, I'm happy to, yea, review that for the Members.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you, sir.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. I'm, I'm, I'm glad you brought that up. Okay. Any other contracts?

Okay, Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez, did you catch all of the various contracts, and then, and then the item in, and then 20-321?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes. Yes, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Did you--

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: So, I wasn't going to name all of them.

I WAS JUST GOING TO MOVE TO FILE CC 20-319, 20-320, AND 20-322, EXCEPT FOR THE CONTRACTS AND GRANTS THAT WERE REQUESTED TO BE PULLED OUT.

COUNCILMEMBER KING:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. And then also the matter of time extensions.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, yes.

AND THEN THE MATTER OF THE TIME EXTENSION--

CHAIR LEE: You're going to deal with.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ:

--TO BE REFERRED TO EDB, AS WELL AS CC 20-321, TO BE REFERRED TO EDB.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. And then, did you have a second?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: I did.

CHAIR LEE: Was there a second.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Committee Vice-Chair King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yes.

CHAIR LEE: Okay, Ms. King. Okay. Ms. King. So, it's been moved and seconded. Moved by Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez and seconded by Member King, to file CC 20-319, CC 20-320, and then with, and then take out the contracts as mentioned earlier, as well as the subject matters in 20-321 and 20-322.

Any discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion say "aye", raise your hand.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. AND

CHAIR LEE.

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Yea, okay. Motion carries; 9-0.

Alright. Mr. Clerk.

Informing of a vacancy on the Maui Planning Commission due to the resignation of Lorraine Sablas effective June 1, 2020.

CHAIR LEE: Councilmember Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair. If, if there are no objections, may we have the Clerk also call up County Communication No. 20-324?

MEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTION.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Any objections? No objections.

Mr. Clerk. Yea, Mr. Clerk.

Informing of the appointments of Barbara Fernandez, Christopher Berquist, and John Patnode to the Maui County Arborist Committee for terms expiring on March 31, 2025.

CHAIR LEE: Member Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair.

I MOVE TO FILE COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS 20-323 AND 20-324.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA:

SECOND.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Second.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Moved by Member Molina, seconded by Member Sugimura, to file County Communications 20-323 and 20-324.

Any discussion? All those in favor--

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yes.

CHAIR LEE: --of the motion, say "aye". Oh, I'm sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Madam Chair.

CHAIR LEE: You, . . . discussion.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Sorry, can I give a, yea, brief discussion. Yea, first, relating to County Communication 20-323, the Mayor received noticed of Ms. Sablas' resignation from the Planning Commission effective June 1, 2020.

And for County Communication No. 20-324, the Mayor appointed the following for terms expiring on March 31, 2025; Barbara Fernandez was a reappointment, Christopher Berquist and John Patnode. I'd like to thank all of these individuals for their service to our community. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion say "aye", raise your hand.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Yea, opposed "nay", raise your hand.

NOES: NONE.

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CHAIR LEE: Okay, all nine "ayes", zero "nays"; motion carries.

Mr. Clerk.

Informing of the acceptance of Waterline Easement AU-1, TMK: (2) 4-6-016:004 POR.

CHAIR LEE: Councilmember Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you, Chair. Could I ask the Clerk also to bring up Communications 20-326 through 20-328?

CHAIR LEE: Any objections?

MEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTION.

CHAIR LEE: No objections. So, ordered.

Mr. Clerk.

Informing of the acceptance of a Warranty Deed for Road Widening Lot 18, Tam Yau Estates, TMK: (2) 2-3-043:051 POR.

Transmitting the Department of Water Supply's Monthly Source and Groundwater Use Report for the month ending May 2020.

Transmitting the State of Hawaii Commission on Water Resource Management water use reports for April 2020 for all registered well reporters in the County of Maui.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Ms. Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you, Chair.

I MOVE TO FILE COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS 20-325 THROUGH 20-328.

I need a second.

CHAIR LEE: Do we have a second?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ:

SECOND.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Been moved by Member Sugimura, seconded by Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, to file County Communications 20-325 through 20-328.

Discussion, Ms. Sugimura?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you. These are informational and no further discussion is required. Thank you very much, Council. Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion, say "aye", raise your hand.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. AND

CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Any opposed? Any opposed?

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Okay, all "ayes"; nine "ayes", zero "noes".

COUNCILMEMBER KING: We have one excused, Chair.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I think Pro Tem Kama--

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair, one excused. Member Kama just stepped away.

CHAIR LEE: Member Kama opposed?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: No, no she stepped away, so she would be excused.

CHAIR LEE: Oh, okay. Oh good, because I can't see everybody.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Oh, there she is.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: She's back now.

CHAIR LEE: So, I'm listening for the "noes".

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: I'm back.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: She's back.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: I'm a "yes" whatever it was.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Nine "ayes".

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: It was to file the county communications for WIT.

CHAIR LEE: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: So, she's back now, and so she voted "aye".

CHAIR LEE: Member Kama, did you . . . You stepped out again?

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: I'm here, Chair. I'm, I'm back and stayed back.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. So, you voted "aye". So, nine "ayes", zero "noes"; motion carries.

Mr. Clerk.

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NO. 20-329 - <u>KEANI N.W. RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, COUNCIL VICE-CHAIR,</u> (dated June 10, 2020)

Transmitting a proposed resolution entitled "SUPPORTING AND URGING THE MAYOR TO SUPPORT A FEMINIST ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN FOR COVID-19.

CHAIR LEE: Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

I MOVE TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ATTACHED TO COUNTY COMMUNICATION 20-329, INCORPORATING ANY NONSUBSTANTIVE REVISIONS, AND TO FILE COUNTY COMMUNICATION 20-329.

COUNCILMEMBER KING:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Moved by Member, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, seconded by Member King, to adopt the attached resolution in County Communication 20-329.

Discussion? Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Discussion.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: May I request the Clerk read the resolution in its entirety?

CHAIR LEE: Absolutely. Mr. Clerk.

(The resolution was read in its entirety.)

CHAIR LEE: Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. And mahalo, Mr. Deputy Clerk. As we mourn the losses from, as we mourn the losses from COVID-19 and shocking violent acts throughout the nation and world, we also celebrate a renewed commitment

to equality and community across the nation and across the world, particularly at this time of both unprecedented challenges and energized optimism for a better future. It is important to think of all underrepresented, underappreciated, and mistreated communities.

The focus of this resolution is supporting a plan for feminist economic recovery as we recognize that women have historically faced an array of unique challenges yet continue to provide wisdom, inspiration, and leadership for our communities.

In 2014, the County Council that Member Hokama and Mayor Victorino sat on, passed Resolution 14-36, which recognized April 8, 2014 as "Equal Pay Day". Women still earned less then men for the same work regardless of our significant contributions to various disciplines and professions, and despite the common expectations placed upon us perform the majority of household and caregiving activities in addition to our paid work.

As a Economic Development and Budget Committee Chair, I support having a plan that we look to for guidance as a step to filling the gap in disparities in all aspects of society. Between men and women and among those who face unjust discrimination, including persons with disabilities, the LGBTQI+ [sic] community, and racial minorities.

Our Chair, Alice Lee, was one of the original feminist leaders in Maui County when she took office in 1989. In 1995, she became the youngest, also the first female Council Chair of Maui County Council, and at the time when the rest of her Council colleagues were men.

As the former first lady, Michelle Obama stated, the difference between a broken community and a thriving one is the presence of women who are valued.

Our Council, now and for the first time ever, is a majority of women with strong men allies and we have been so productive. We will be the first in the nation to pass a measure like this. So many are looking to us for leadership and courage to inspire hope. The urgency in passing this today is the funding such as the \$66 million of Federal CARES Act money. And it's being quickly allocated.

I want to mahalo the leadership of Khara Jabola-Carolus, Executive Director of the Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women; AlohaCare; Office of Hawaiian Affairs; Hawaii Children Action Network Speaks; Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition of Hawaii; Native Hawaiian Pacific-Islander Hawaii COVID-19 Response, Recovery, Resilience Team; Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence; Women Helping Women: Papa Ola Lokahi; Na Pu`uwai; Hui Ma Ke Ala Pono [sic]; Domestic Violence Action Center; and 60 individuals who submitted testimony.

I'd love for us to honor our mothers, like Kaniloa's; all of our mothers. Mother; so much mana. When you hear the word mother, it makes you think of safety and protection and genuine care; all qualities that would be amazing to be associated with our government. It's my honor to ask all our Councilmembers to support the adoption of this resolution and seek an inclusive, peaceful, and economic recovery. We must lift others as we rise. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Well, that was very beautiful.

Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair, I don't know how much I could add to that, that was great.

And I want to, really want to thank Member Rawlins-Fernandez for this resolution. I do have a proposed amendment to the resolution, under the "BE IT RESOLVED", that I'd like to offer to the Council

AND THAT WOULD BE TO, I MOVE TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION TO ADD A SECOND, UNDER A NUMBER 2 "BE IT RESOLVED", BETWEEN NUMBER 1 AND 2 WOULD MAKE NUMBER 2 INTO NUMBER 3, TO SAY "BE IT RESOLVED, THAT IT URGES THE ADMINISTRATION TO INCLUDE A MEMBER FROM THE MAUI COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN ON ITS ECONOMIC RECOVERY TASK FORCE."

CHAIR LEE: Is there a second?

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: I don't know.

CHAIR LEE: Is there a second?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I'm, I'm sorry.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Second.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Would, would--

CHAIR LEE: Yes, Vice-Chair--

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --Committee Vice-Chair--

CHAIR LEE: --Rawlins-Fernandez

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair, Member King, would you mind repeating that one more time?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: That it urge, that, you know, this is the County Council now, "That it urges the Administration to include a member from the Maui Commission on the Status of Women on its Economic Recovery Task Force."

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ:

SECOND. OR, OR I GUESS I, YEA, SECOND.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: So, then, can I speak to the amendment?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Oh, good to see you in person.

CHAIR LEE: I, I have a question first. Is it the Committee on Status of Women or Commission? The Commission is on Oahu.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Oh, I'm sorry. Yea, our . . . one is the Committee--

CHAIR LEE: The Committee is on Maui.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: --on the Status of Women.

CHAIR LEE: Committee?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Correct. Right.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. Thank you, Chair. And I think this is, the urgency has been well represented in today's meeting by the testifiers and by the presenter of the, the motion, the original, the resolution. And I think that in order to get to actually affect some of these changes, we need to make sure that the people that are proposing them are part of the decisions that are being made at the Administration level.

And I, I proposed this because we've been told that we, we won't know and we won't be allowed to know as far as we, you know, I asked earlier this week if we could have a list of people on the Economic Task Force and we were told no we can't have that list. So, I want to make, ensure that there's somebody that represents, if we're going to pass this resolution, we should in, we should urge the Administration to also include

somebody who can ensure that that the ideals in this resolution are represented as we move forward.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Are there any other comments or questions? If not, all those in favor of the amendment, please say "aye", and raise your hand.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR LEE.

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. So, I can't see everybody.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Unanimous.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Nine "aye".

CHAIR LEE: --tell me no.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Who do you not see?

CHAIR LEE: Pardon me?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: It's unanimous.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: It's unanimous.

CHAIR LEE: I only can see, yea, I can only see four of you. I don't know why, but I can only see four of you.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: We can see all of them.

CHAIR LEE: Okay, 9-0; motion passes.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Members.

CHAIR LEE: Motion passes.

Okay. Alright. And then now, the main motion as amended.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Madam Chair.

CHAIR LEE: All those in favor say "aye".

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Oh, you have a--

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Question. Question.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: I have a--

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Everyone wants to speak.

CHAIR LEE: Oh, okay. Ms., Ms. Kama, and then Mr. Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: So, you know--

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: And Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Did you give me the floor, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Okay. Thank you. So, I think this is really well-written, and well-stated, and well-said. And it's, I'd like to, I'd like to take it beyond the shores of Hawaii. So, I was wondering if our Vice-Chair would be okay with sending it to our Congressional Delegation, you know, on the, just add it to the number 2 of the "BE IT RESOLVED". Send it to them. But also to our COFA Nation governments; you know, the Republic of Palau, Republic of the Marshall Islands, you know, the COFA Nations. But also, to the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of the Indigenous Peoples, because as they continue to fight for us. It's good to know that, I think, I think it would be helpful for them to know that the work that they are doing far away from these shores is really being felt here. So, that's just my comment; if Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez is okay with that.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I support that.

CHAIR LEE: Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez. You're okay with that.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. I support that. I support Pro Tem Kama's suggestion.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you. And I'll get that list to you.

CHAIR LEE: Alright, do we need a, to vote on that as an amendment, or just no objections?

MEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTION.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. No objections. Alright.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Cause, we're not touching the substance, we're just adding those who receive it.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Yes.

CHAIR LEE: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Yes.

CHAIR LEE: Are there, Mr. Hokama, did you have something to say?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you, Chair. Yes, very quickly. I will speak in support this, this afternoon on the motion as amended, Chair. I thank my colleague from Molokai for introducing this. And it's kind of, for me, full circle, because one of the first elected lady's that I can recall was Ms. Caroline Rodrigues of Molokai. She was elected to the Board of Supervisors in the 1950's as a leader. And then if you look again in the 60's and 70's, again from Molokai, Gladys Brandt. She was the Chair of the Department of Hawaiian Homelands and helped move that program significantly forward. You know, these strong women of Molokai Ahina. I mean, gosh, you know, the tradition on Maui; Velma Santos, Patsy Mink. I mean, we've had tremendous women leaders who stood up for all of our people, not just for women or men, but for all our people. And so, I'm speaking in support of the resolution.

I think one of my hope is that, though, Chair, that the Members would allow the subject to be referred to Committee, because I feel that, if anything, the Council can at least promulgate or advocate for the creation of a policy that will help guide the parameters of a plan. And that that would be part of the Council's legislative participation in creation, creating the policy to move a circular economic recovery program to come back that embraces all our people.

And my biggest disappointment at this time is the labor component. Where is the unions who supposedly have fought for civil liberties, equal pay, civil rights on health care and education? Where the hell is labor unions and the labor movement to help protect what we're discussing about this afternoon? Disappointing about our history and who was speaking for who in a different time.

So, for me, Chair, if that is something that the Members, I would ask that we refer the subject to appropriate standing Committee for Council to consider developing a policy to move forward with the Administration. Thank you.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Great thoughts.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Member Hokama. I, it would be my pleasure to take the subject matter into EDB Committee. And mahalo, Member Hokama, for always being a strong ally for women and, and all of our community.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Anymore comments or questions?

Oh, Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you very much, Madam Chair. I speak in strong support of the resolution because, you know, I think it does a great job of justifying equity for women during the pandemic recovery, so I thank Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez for this.

I, I, I would like to throw this out as a suggestion to possibly strengthen the reso. Upon hearing our conversation between Member Kama, and I believe an earlier testifier, Ms. Jabola-Carolus. And I believe Member Kama's questions was related to the specifics of the Feminist Economic Recovery Plan. And the testifier mentioned there was a detailed plan.

So, I was thinking about, if possible, under the first "BE IT RESOLVED", some reference to that detailed plan with the specifics of the Feminist Economic Recovery Plan could be somehow implemented into the reso so that way I think it will help it move forward faster through, to the Administration. So, that way they see specifics of this and can hopefully act on it faster. So, I just throw that out for suggestion if Member Rawlins-Fernandez would like to comment on that?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I second your motion, Member Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Okay. I, I guess I'll make that as a formal motion then. I'm not able to come up with a wordsmithing for the motion at this time, but if maybe with staff's help, certainly.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: The Hawaii--

CHAIR LEE: Wait.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --Feminist--

CHAIR LEE: Wait, wait, wait one second. We, we have Member Kama with her hand up as if she might have some thoughts on this issue. Member Kama.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: So, so the plan, the name of the plan is "Building Bridges, Not Walking on Backs: A Feminist Economic Recovery Plan for COVID-19". I think Member Molina that's what you're referring to, right?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: That is correct, yes.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Okay. That's what it is. Beautiful, it's well-written. You should read it. But thank you for that.

CHAIR LEE: Vice, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez and Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: I, oh.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Did you have anything to add to that, Keani? No?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yea, if Member Molina would like me to draft up language really quickly for the "BE IT RESOLVED"?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: I would be honored.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Then, Ms., Ms. King might have, have something--

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yea, I was--

CHAIR LEE: --to add to that also. Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: I was just going to, yea, I was going to say it's, it is in here under the "WHEREAS". "WHEREAS, the 'Building Bridges, Not Walking on Backs: Feminine [sic] Economic Recovery Plan". So, it is referred to in this. I'm not sure, he was talking about moving this to the "BE IT RESOLVED", or because we, you know, we've already listed components of the plan in here. So, that was one thing.

And then the other thing I wanted to see if we could do is add to the list of recipients, the National Association of Commissions for Women. So, that's, we have a committee at the Maui County level. We have a--

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Right.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: --commission at the State level. And then we have this national association at the Federal level that I think we should add to if, if there are no objections, we should add to the recipient list for this document.

CHAIR LEE: Yea. I'm sure there are no objections to that.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: No objections.

CHAIR LEE: Getting back to the other one. What about, do you want to put that in the "BE IT RESOLVED" section as well?

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Yea, yea.

CHAIR LEE: You do?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yea.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yea, I agree with Member Molina that it--

CHAIR LEE: Okay.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: --it helps and strengthens.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yea.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Do you want to--

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yea, it encourages more detailed, a more detailed look at the plan if you put it in the "BE IT RESOLVED", so anyway.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. So, Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez, you have the language for that to make the motion?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I'm still working on it.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: So, I have a question, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: You're still working?

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: While, while Member--

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Kama.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: So, you know, when I look at, you know, who we'd like to send this to or not, another, so if other, if other organizations come to our mind that we would like to add to this resolution, does it need to go through Council for approval, or can we just add them on?

CHAIR LEE: No, we have to approve it.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Okay.

CHAIR LEE: We have to approve it.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Okay. So, we know what's going, okay. But I was thinking about the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; NAACP as another organization, if it's okay?

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Okay. Let's not keep adding now. That's enough.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Eh, you gotta,

CHAIR LEE: Are you ready, Ms. Rawlins?

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: --you want to brag. You want to brag about how great this thing is.

CHAIR LEE: I know. Like, like other, those testifiers said, you know, we, we're in the forefront, you know, leaders in this, in this effort. And, and we're very proud of that. But, but we also have to go home at some point. So, let's finish up the amendment.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Chair, you're on all day.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Now I can't hear you. What are you saying, Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I, I was getting, mahalo, Chair. I, I was just consulting with the, one of the authors.

AND SO, WHERE, WHERE IT HAS THE, SO "BE IT RESOLVED, THE BUILDING, BUILDING BRIDGES, NOT WALKING ON BACKS: FEMINIST RECOVERY PLAN FOR COVID-19" WILL BE LOOKED UPON FOR, FOR GUIDANCE IN.

Member Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA:

I SECOND.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Okay. And then, and then fix that.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yea.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. We'll have our Clerk wordsmith these things for us.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ:

FOR IMPLEMENTATION.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Can you send us--

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair.

CHAIR LEE: You know, we, I don't think we got all of it.

Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Oh, I'm just wondering about the language. Can we say that? I mean, I like that language, but do we have to say urges, or can we just say that this will be, this will be looked upon, or the Council strongly supports?

CHAIR LEE: That's, she said, she said that part. She said that part.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: I'm, I'm just wondering, can we do that? You know, if we're, are we making a legal document if we say that this is so, or do we have to keep the language that we urge it or that we support it?

CHAIR LEE: Yea, I'm sure she meant urged. Yea, we can't require anybody to do anything.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Right.

CHAIR LEE: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Just making a point.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Okay, just for the record, can you repeat the motion again?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: I think she's asking you, Keani.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. "That it urges the Mayor to look to 'Building Bridges, Not Walking on Backs: Feminist Economic Recovery Plan for COVID-19' for implementation".

CHAIR LEE: Okay. We seem to have a question by staff. So, I'm going to ask for a recess; short recess at the call of the Chair. That probably take a few minutes; two minutes, alright? Recess.

(THE MEETING WAS RECESSED BY THE CHAIR AT 12:26 P.M., AND WAS RECONVENED AT 12:28 P.M., WITH ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.)

CHAIR LEE: Will the meeting, the Council meeting please reconvene. Alright, before we proceed, we have to vote to waive Rule 19.C. And this is staff telling us that we need to do this. 19.C. relates to an amendment at final reading. But even though this is not a bill, we are being asked to, to waive this Rule, so that there are no issues later. And the person asking us to do that is David Raatz.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ:

SO, MOVED.

CHAIR LEE: Alright, so.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA:

OKAY, SECOND.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Second.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. It's been moved by Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez, seconded by Ms. Kama, to waive Rule 19.C.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Member Hokama.

CHAIR LEE: Any discussion, Ms.?

Oh, Mr. Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Yea, I'll, thank you, Chair. I'll support, you know, what you are requesting. But I always, you know, in past, we was provided to the Members if this is not a substantive or a, a fact of law, we wouldn't need this waiver because all it is, is a request; it has no standing per say. So, why all of a sudden now we need to keep this procedure in? Are we going to change the, the resolution substantially that now it needs to go through this waiver? I mean, I just don't understand that we don't do consistency in our practices.

CHAIR LEE: I'm going to call David. Thank you, Mr. Hokama. David, are you on the line? David Raatz? Or Tracy. Tracy are you on the line? Guess they went to lunch.

DIRECTOR OF COUNCIL SERVICES TRACY FUJITA: Yes, I'm here.

CHAIR LEE: Tracy, somebody. Tracy, are you here?

DIRECTOR OF COUNCIL SERVICES: I'm here. Yes.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Would you be able to answer the question? Have you been following?

DIRECTOR OF COUNCIL SERVICES: I'm taking a look, guick look at the Rule.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Oh, there's David.

CHAIR LEE: Oh, David just joined. David are you there?

SUPERVISING LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY DAVID RAATZ: Yes. Good afternoon, Chair. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Could you explain your recommendation?

SUPERVISING LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY: Sure. The Rule 19 doesn't make a distinction between resolutions that have the force and effect of law and other resolutions. It does have certain exceptions where it would be okay to make an amendment and adopt the resolution at the same meeting. But we don't see that any of those exceptions would apply here.

There is another Council Rule that talks about referral to Committee. There is a distinction in that Rule about whether it's a resolution that has the force and effect of law, so that Rule doesn't apply. But this Rule 19.C. about amending at final passage does apply.

CHAIR LEE: So, the fact that we're amending, that, that makes, creates the problem.

SUPERVISING LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY: That's correct.

CHAIR LEE: If we didn't amend, we could just, we didn't have to waive the Rule?

SUPERVISING LEGISLATIVE ATTORNEY: That's exactly right, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Okay. Any more questions, Members?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, thank you for asking Mr. Raatz for that comment. And I guess this is something we can take up in your Chair's meeting eventually. Thank you very much for the query.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Alright. Where were we? Are we ready to--

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Call for the question.

CHAIR LEE: --make the motion? Well--

COUNCILMEMBER KING: The motion was made and seconded.

CHAIR LEE: Do you have, but you have the verbiage, the verbiage, right, of the last amendment?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: That was Keani. Yea, Keani, had the--

CHAIR LEE: Oh, oh, I'm sorry. I'm sorry, we still have to wait, vote on the, the waiver.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yea, Rule 19.

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Keani Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Oh, yea, Chair, that, that was just what I was going to say; that we have the motion to waive Rule 19. I think everyone agreed.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. And then we have the second.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Call for the vote.

CHAIR LEE: So, okay, everybody agrees. Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Aye.

CHAIR LEE: Okay, she's speaking for all of you.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Aye.

CHAIR LEE: And all those in favor of the motion say "aye".

KAMA, KING, AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA.

> SUGIMURA, MOLINA. PALTIN. SINENCI. RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. AND VICE-CHAIR

CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Opposed, "nay".

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Motion carries; 9-0.

Boy, you know, I, when I started in this business 30 years ago, we would never have a meeting like this. Just thought I'd let you know. This is like--

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Is that good or bad?

CHAIR LEE: This is like a gathering of friends, you know. Before it was, you know, pretty cut and dried.

Yes, Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. So, I just want to make sure that the previous amendment will stand, or do we have to do that again?

CHAIR LEE: No, we have to do, we're going to do everything, you know.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Let's do it all over again? Okay.

CHAIR LEE: Yea, all over again. Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: So, can I move--

CHAIR LEE: Wait, wait, wait.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: --mv motion.

CHAIR LEE: Wait, wait. No, he, one person is telling me no and I'm thinking that couldn't have been valid if we didn't waive the Rule first. Okay, so this is, this kind of Council is just like one big happy family, you know? Before it was like all, you know, all business, period. But this is better because, you know, sometimes you have to be flexible.

So, Mr. Clerk, what are you saying? Quick, because, you know, let's not make, drag this on too long.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Chair, just our understanding is that the amendments that the Council had already made to the resolution still stand. The Rule just covers the final passage of it, so because the Council now waived it, the Council could proceed with the, I mean, proceeding on voting for the final passage.

CHAIR LEE: Okay.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Thank you, Chair.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: We, we still have another amendment to--

CHAIR LEE: Okay. And I am not going to jail. Yes. What's that.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yea, we still have another amendment--

CHAIR LEE: Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: --to vote on because, because--

CHAIR LEE: Oh yea, I know. I know.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez made a motion for an amendment be, and then we didn't vote on that yet. So, we still have one more amendment to vote on before final passage.

CHAIR LEE: Got ya. Yes. Alright. Okay. Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Did we complete that, did you complete that last--

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: The verbiage.

CHAIR LEE: --amendment? Or did I--

COUNCILMEMBER KING: You did.

CHAIR LEE: --interrupt you right in the middle of it and then we went to the Rule?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yea. So, I'll, I'll repeat it. And I was the seconder. Member Molina amended the motion, and we were trying to figure it out together. So, "BE IT RESOLVED", that the Council of the County of Maui: 1. That it supports Feminist Economic Recovery Plan for Maui County; and 2. It urges the Mayor to support the back, oh, sorry, sorry, Bridge--

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Building bridges.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Building Bridges, Not Walking on Backs: Feminist Economic Recovery Plan for COVID-19 as a foundational development in our recovery. And that language was from Member Molina.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Did everybody get that motion? Alright, all those in favor of the motion, say "aye", raise your hand.

AYES:

COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING, MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Opposed, nay.

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Motion carries; 9-0. Very good. Now--

COUNCILMEMBER KING: So, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: --the main motion. Yes, Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. Just, just to, just to clarify before we do the vote on the main motion. So, now we have four under "BE IT RESOLVED"? So, we have the current number one; then we had the number two that Mr. Molina just added; then the number 3, I guess the urging the Administration to include the Committee on the Status of Women would move to number 3; and then the disbursements would be number 4. I want to make sure we're all clear on.

CHAIR LEE: Everybody clear on that? Okay. Alright. All those in favor of the motion as amended, say "aye", and raise your hand.

AYES:

COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING, MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Anybody opposed, raise your hand.

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Motion carries; 9-0. Oh, my gosh. Good. Very good.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Members.

CHAIR LEE: But, you know, I have to say for all the little girls watching out there, Councilmember, being a Councilmember, you do receive equal pay and you, equal status as a Councilmember. So, this is a, this is a great job to, to strive for. We are

lucky that we have three understanding men, yea. And like you said, I like the way you put it, great strong allies.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes.

CHAIR LEE: That's, that's perfect. That's perfect.

Alright. Mr. Clerk, next one.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, for the record, that is RESOLUTION 20-84.

NO. 20-330 - MICHAEL J. MOLINA, CHAIR, GOVERNANCE, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE, (dated June 9, 2020)

Transmitting a proposed resolution entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF NOEL (CHIVO) CHING-JOHNSON TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL BOARD".

CHAIR LEE: Member Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair.

MOVE TO DISCHARGE THE GET COMMITTEE FROM FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ATTACHED TO COUNTY COMMUNICATION NO. 20-330.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI:

SECOND.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Second.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Moved by Mr. Molina, seconded by Mr. Sinenci, to discharge this item.

Any discussion, Mr. Molina?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yes, Madam Chair. The 60-day deadline for the Council to approve or disapprove this nomination is July 7, 2020. So, the discharge is needed to enable the Council to consider action today on the proposed resolution. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion? If not, all in favor say "aye" of the motion. "Aye", raise your hand.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. AND

CHAIR LEE.

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Nine "ayes"; motion carries.

Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair.

MOVE TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT OF COMMITTEE REFERRAL AND REPORT PURSUANT TO RULE 7.G. OF THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ:

SECOND.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Second.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Second.

CHAIR LEE: Moved by Mr. Molina, seconded by Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez to waive the Rule of the Council.

Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yes. Thank you, Madam Chair. Approval of, approval of this motion by a two-thirds vote by the Council will enable the Council to consider the proposed resolution today. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion, say "aye".

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING, MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA,

VICE-CHAIR

RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ,

AND

CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Opposed, opposed, "nay". Opposed, "nay".

NOES:

NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Motion carries. The item is, the Rule is passed.

Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you very much, Madam Chair.

MOVE TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION AND THE FILING OF COUNTY COMMUNICATION NO. 20-330.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Moved by Mr. Molina, seconded by Mr. Sinenci, to approve the County Communication 20-330.

Any discussion, Mr. Molina?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yes. Thank you very much, Madam Chair. The GET Committee met this past Tuesday, June 16 with regards to Mr. Chivo Ching-Johnson's nomination to the Animal Control Board. Chivo, as many of us know him, is the Director of Government Access for Akaku Maui Community Media. And he has been involved very much in our community, specifically, the Maui Food Bank and Women Helping Women. And he's also previously served on the County's Council on Aging and the Commission on Children and Youth. And I thank him for his continued willingness to serve and ask for the Members full support. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Mr. Sinenci.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you. I just wanted to add and wish Mr. Chivo Johnson a speedy recovery. And we have, I have no qualms with his commitment to this board. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Oh, I didn't know he was ill. Any more discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion say "aye", raise your hand.

AYES:

COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING, SUGIMURA. MOLINA. PALTIN, SINENCI.

VICE-CHAIR

RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ,

AND

CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Wow, that was a long lag there. Okay. Opposed, raise your hand.

NOES:

NONE.

CHAIR LEE: It not, motion carries, 9-0; unanimous. The vote is unanimous.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, apologies, for the record, that is RESOLUTION 20-85.

NO. 20-331 - MICHAEL J. MOLINA, CHAIR, GOVERNANCE, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE, (dated June 9, 2020)

Transmitting a proposed resolution entitled "RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MELISSA PADILLA TO THE LIQUOR CONTROL ADJUDICATION BOARD FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI".

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair.

MOVE TO DISCHARGE THE GET COMMITTEE FROM CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED FURTHER RESOLUTION ATTACHED TO COUNTY COMMUNICATION 20-331.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Moved by Mr. Molina, seconded by Ms. Sugimura, to discharge 20-331.

Any discussion, Mr. Molina?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yeah, thank you, Madam Chair. Like the previous item, the Council deadline is July 7, 2020 to act on this, so therefore, the discharge is in need, is needed to enable the Council to consider action today. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion, say "aye", raise your hand.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Anybody against?

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Seems like it's unanimous, 9-0; motion carries.

Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair.

MOVE TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT OF COMMITTEE REFERRAL AND REPORT PURSUANT TO RULE 7.G. OF THE RULES OF THE COUNCIL.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Moved by Mr. Molina, seconded by Mr. Sinenci, to waive the Rule.

Discussion, Mr. Molina?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Madam Chair, no further discussion. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Anybody else? If not, all those in favor of the motion, say "aye", and raise your hand.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR LEE.

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: It is unanimous, 9-0; 9-0, motion carries.

Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair.

MOVE TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION AND FILING OF COUNTY COMMUNICATION 20-331.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ:

SECOND.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Second.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Second.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Moved, moved by Mr. Molina, seconded by Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, to approve the, adopt the resolution contained in CC 20-331.

Discussion, Mr. Molina?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you very much, Madam Chair. Your GET Committee met Tuesday, June 16 to discuss this matter with regards to Ms. Padilla's nomination to the Liquor Control Adjudication Board. This will be for a term expiring March 31, 2023, to fill a vacancy due to the resignation of Mr. Richard Bergson.

Ms. Padilla has a lot of experience in weddings, events, and fundraising production. And through her production experience, she was hired as a consultant to maintain compliance with Maui County liquor laws. And being a board member will help to utilize her experience and knowledge of liquor laws and permits. I ask for the Members full support of her nomination. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Alright, any further discussion? If not, all those in favor the motion, say "aye", and raise your hand.

AYES:

COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. AND

CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. And those opposed?

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: All "ayes". Nine "ayes", zero "noes"; motion carries.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, for the record, that is RESOLUTION 20-86.

NO. 20-332 - KELLY TAKAYA KING, COUNCILMEMBER, (dated June 10, 2020)

Transmitting a proposed resolution entitled "APPROVING THE HAWAII STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES' OFFICERS AND ALTERNATES, ANNUAL BUDGET, AND NOMINEES TO THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES AND WESTERN INTERSTATE REGION BOARDS OF DIRECTORS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021".

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: I have you down on my, my list.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yes. I move to adopt--

CHAIR LEE: You're looking like you're surprised. Huh? What's that?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I'm thinking of the circular economy one. Sorry.

I MOVE TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION ATTACHED TO COUNTY COMMUNICATION 20-332, AND TO FILE COUNTY COMMUNICATION 20-332.

COUNCILMEMBER KING:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Moved by Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, seconded by Member King, to adopt the . . . 332.

Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. The proposed resolution would approve the slate of officers and alternates to the Hawaii State Association of Counties Executive Committee for July 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020. Representing the Maui County Council are Councilmember Kelly King, designated as Treasurer; and Councilmember Tamara Paltin, as Alternate. The resolution also approves the Fiscal 2021 Budget and nominations to the National Associations of Counties and Western Interstate Regional Board of Directors. Representing the Maui County Council to serve on the WIR Board is Councilmember Kelly King.

The HSAC bylaws require each Council to act on the proposed slate of HSAC Officers and alternates, annual budget, and nominations to the NACo and WIR boards this month. I respectfully ask for the Council's support. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion?

If, oh, Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Chair. Just wanted to say that I look forward to continuing to represent the Council on the HSAC Executive Committee as Treasurer. But I want to state for the record that the Executive Committee agreed to the slate of officers for this first six months of Fiscal Year 2021. Also, being that Councilmember Manahan's office has agreed to involve themselves in the unraveling of some of the issues, the fiscal issues that didn't come from us being Treasurer. But the, the intent of the HSAC board was to try to keep things the same while all the, you know, the chaos was going on around us for the next six months only because two members will

be terming out at the end of this year. And so, they will not be continuing on as Councilmembers.

And also, we want to ensure proper rotation. So, I will be proposing, as suggested by a couple of people on the committee, including Mr. Hokama, that we update the bylaws and put the rotation back in. So, it's similar to what we do with the HSAC conference; it rotates to a different county every year. So, hopefully that will, that will end the, what's been happening.

So, right now where we stand right now from Fiscal Year 2010 to 2020, the only time Maui has not been Treasurer was for the second half of Fiscal Year 2016 to 2019. All those other years, our County has been designated as Treasurer. So, hopefully we can amend the bylaws before the end of the year to go back into the automatic rotation.

And the Executive Committee also has plans to continue our discussion of hiring an executive director, you know, figuring out where that funding would come from. So, that's just some added information. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. Any more discussion?

Ms. Kama.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Chair, so I'm looking at the budget for HSAC. So, and it says that, if I understand this right that, that we, the HSAC members, pay dues to NACo. Is that right, Kelly, for \$43,680 a year? Is that, is that what that means?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: No.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Oh. What does that mean?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair. Chair. Can I--

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: --respond?

CHAIR LEE: Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Okay. I just didn't want to jump without being called on. So, the membership fees are to HSAC. So, that's what each county pays to HSAC as membership.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: That's the base, that's part of the base of our income. And then we have other, you know, the, the conference sometimes brings, brings in some income.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: So, so, Chair, how do we pay this? How to we pay our dues? How does Maui County's dues get paid? Because I don't remember paying a due. I don't know. Can you explain that?

CHAIR LEE: Ms. King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yea, you, you wouldn't remember paying the dues because it comes from the County. So, basically it comes from the County, each County is a member of HSAC.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Right.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: So, each County pays yea, pays its membership fee.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: So, how much does Maui County pay?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: It's equal. Every County pays the same. So, it's not really prorated based on population.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Okay. So, we divide that by the four counties that is what each County is approximately paying?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: You would multiply. Yea, you would, the membership fees are an annual fee. So, they, they get paid. It's kind of convoluted because they get paid on an annual basis, but then we go by the fiscal year. So, I think that's what, why the, the HSAC Executive Board was comfortable with just making a six-month commitment. Because, also, because we're in an election year and so we want to see, you know, make sure that the new Council coming in can appoint the next member for each County.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: So, all what I'm seeing is what's on the left-hand column is this year. And then the right-hand column is the budget for next fiscal year.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Correct. Yes. Correct. And you'll see that we zeroed out the conference income, because the conference got canceled.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Right. Oh, okay. Well, thank you very much, Chair. Thank you, Member King. I appreciate that.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion raise your hand, say "aye".

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Opposed, "nay".

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Motion, one "nay". Eight "ayes" and one "nay". Correct? Eight "ayes", one "nay"; Mr. Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: No, I voted "aye", Chair. I'm sorry, I vote--

CHAIR LEE: Oh, you did vote "aye"?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yea, I think he just voted late.

CHAIR LEE: Okay, nine, I'm sorry. Nine "ayes", nine "ayes".

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Zero "nays"; motion carries.

Mr. Clerk.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Thank you, Members. Madam Chair?

CHAIR LEE: Ms. King. Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Just wanted to remind Members that, that this is, this is being voted on by each County Council, and then it still needs to be ratified at the full membership meeting on the 25th of this month.

CHAIR LEE: Oh, okay. Oh, you mean, we can change our mind? Just kidding.

Okay. Mr. Clerk.

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COUNCILMEMBER KING: Well, as an individual you can vote . . . when we get to the membership meeting if you want.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, for the record, that is RESOLUTION 20-87.

Chair, proceeding with county communications and general communications for referral. The following county communications and general communication are recommended for referral to the following Committees as noted:

Transmitting a proposed resolution entitled "SUPPORTING `ĀINA ALOHA ECONOMIC FUTURES INITIATIVE AND TRANSITION TO A CIRCULAR ECONOMY".

The recommended action is that County Communication 20-333 be referred to the Climate Action and Resilience Committee.

(COUNTY COMMUNICATION NO. 20-333 WAS REFERRED TO THE CLIMATE ACTION AND RESILIENCE COMMITTEE. THE MATTER RELATING TO AINA ALOHA ECONOMIC FUTURES INITIATIVE AND TRANSITION TO A CIRCULAR ECONOMY WAS LATER REFERRED TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL, AGRICULTURAL, AND CULTURAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE. See pages 99 and 100 for discussion.)

Transmitting a proposed resolution entitled "AUTHORIZING A GRANT OF A LEASE OF COUNTY REAL PROPERTY TO KAUPAKALUA ROPING CLUB & YOUTH RODEO, INC."

The recommended action is that County Communication 20-334 be referred to the Healthy Families and Communities Committee.

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Relating to the review and standards for the dedication of a road to the County of Maui.

The recommended action is that County Communication 20-335 be referred to the Water, Infrastructure, and Transportation Committee.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

Submitting an annual compliance report in accordance with Condition 29 of Ordinance No. 3554, establishing Kihei-Makena Project District 9 (Wailea 670) zoning (Conditional Zoning) for approximately 670 acres situated at Paehu, Palauea, Keauhou, Maui, Hawaii.

The recommended action is that County Communication 20-335 be referred to the Planning and Sustainable Land Use Committee.

CHAIR LEE: Are there any objections to any of the referrals read by the Clerk?

Ms. King.

<u>DISCUSSION AND ACTION RELATING TO</u> COUNTY COMMUNICATION NO. 20-333

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yes, Chair. I just would like to ask if we could do a dual referral for item 20-333, the Aloha 'Aina Economic Futures Initiative, and refer that at the same time to EACP? They have some, Mr. Sinenci has some, wants to take some of the environmental aspects and have a discussion in his Committee for this, for the--

CHAIR LEE: Any objections, Members?

MEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTION.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. So, ordered.

Dual, dual referral on item 20-333. Any further discussion? I thought I saw some other hands up? No? Okay. Any objections to the rest of the referrals?

MEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTION.

CHAIR LEE: No objections. So, ordered.

Mr. Clerk.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: But, Chair. Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Committee reports.

Oh, yes, Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: I wanted to let Mr. Deputy Clerk know that there's a lot of echoing when he's reading.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Everybody, mute yourselves.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, proceeding with committee reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE REPORT

NO. 20-60 - CLIMATE ACTION AND RESILIENCE COMMITTEE:

Recommending that the Miscellaneous Communication, referring Contract C7010, between the County and Goodfellow Bros. LLC, "Kam I Beach Park Dune Restoration (Kihei WWPS 7 Erosion Mitigation), be FILED.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Member King. Member King.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Yea. Sorry, I hit my, my cursor was . . . me. Thank you, Chair.

I MOVE TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN COMMITTEE REPORT 20-60.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA:

SECOND.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Second.

CHAIR LEE: Moved by Member King, seconded by Member Sugimura, to file county, Committee Report 20-60.

Any discussion, Member King?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair, your Climate Action and Resilience Committee, having met June 1, 2020, makes reference to a Miscellaneous Communication dated March 16, 2020, from the County Clerk, reporting that the county, the Council referred Contract C7010, between the County and Goodfellow Bros. LLC, "Kam I Beach Dune Restoration".

Your Committee notes the contract was executed for the purpose of restoring sand dunes at Kamaole Beach Park I in Kihei, Maui.

Your Committee received a report on the project and was notified of its completion earlier this year.

Your Committee also suggested the County spell out Hawaiian names in their entirety for future contracts.

Your Committee voted 7-0 to recommend filing of the communication. So, I ask for the Members support of your Committee's recommendations.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion or questions? If not, all those in favor of the motion, say "aye", raise your hand.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR LEE.

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: It is unanimous, 9-0; motion carries.

Mr. Clerk.

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COMMITTEE REPORT			
NO. 20-61	_	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUDGET	COMMITTEE

Recommending that the correspondence from the Budget Director transmitting a proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO APPENDIX A, PART I, GRANTS AND RESTRICTED USE REVENUES – SCHEDULE OF GRANTS AND RESTRICTED USE REVENUES BY DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAMS, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE (MAUI POLICE FOUNDATION)", be FILED.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

I MOVE TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN COMMITTEE REPORT 20-61.

COUNCILMEMBER KING:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Moved by Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, seconded by who?

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Member King.

CHAIR LEE: Was it King? Member King. Member King.

Discussion, Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez?

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. Your Economic Development and Budget Committee met on June 4, 2020 on this matter. The Budget Director will submit an, an amendment to appropriate these funds in Fiscal Year 2021. All these funds will not be allocated in Fiscal Year 2020.

Your Committee voted 8-0 to recommend filing of this correspondence. I respectfully ask the Councilmembers support of this motion. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion? If not, all those, those in favor of the motion, say "aye", raise your hand. So, help me now, cause I can only see four of you.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR LEE.

NOES: NONE.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Unanimous.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: There's nine.

CHAIR LEE: I'm assuming--

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Nine "ayes."

CHAIR LEE: Nine? Okay. Nine "ayes", zero "noes"; motion carries.

Mr. Clerk.

COMMITTEE REPORT

NO. 20-62 - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUDGET COMMITTEE:

Recommending the following:

- 1. That Resolution <u>20-88</u>, entitled "AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF APPROXIMATELY 48.774 ACRES IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP KEY NO. (2) 2-7-007:005, SITUATED AT HAMAKUALOA, MAKAWAO, MAUI, HAWAII, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS LOT 6, HAIKU SUGAR EAST SUBDIVISION, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,700,000.00," be ADOPTED; and
- 2. That County Communication 20-270, from Council Chair Alice L. Lee, be FILED.

CHAIR LEE: Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

I MOVE TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN COMMITTEE REPORT 20-62.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN:

SECOND.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Second.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Moved by Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, seconded by Member Paltin, to adopt the recommend, adopt the recommendations in Committee Report 20-62.

Discussion, Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. Your Economic Development and Budget Committee met on June 4, 2020 to discuss a proposed resolution to authorize the purchase of Lot 6, Haiku East Subdivision for an amount not to exceed \$1.7 million.

Your Committee noted that Fiscal Year 2020 funds have already been encumbered for this purchase and the resolution further clarifies the property description referenced in Resolution 20-28.

The Committee continued to support the Administration's purchase of the property, and therefore voted 8-0 to recommend adoption of the proposed resolution and filing of the communication. I respectfully ask for the Councilmembers support. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you very much, Madam Chair. I'd like to thank committee, Budget Chair and also our Council Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez for have, conducting this meeting in Committee. I'm in full support of this. And I would also like to add while, while I appreciate the comments of Mr. Gates as far as his description of Lot 6, I disagree.

And I also want to thank Ms. de Naie for providing us pictures as well as maps of the property. And I had the opportunity to go take a look at Lot 6 earlier this year. So, generations of families farmed this area, so there is a lot of value, in my opinion, to, to, to this Lot 6. So, I just wanted to state that for the record. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you, Mr. Molina. Are, is there any more discussion?

Ms. Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: I too, I--

CHAIR LEE: Ms. Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: I support, thank you, Chair. I support the family, and they have really worked the land, you know, in pineapple through, through, from grandma and, you know, generations.

But the discussion from this morning, is it relevant for this? Is there a lawsuit going on that we, we need to care about for this project, or this property, sorry, that would affect this purchase or is that a separate matter? It sounded like from Mr. Gates discussion.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: I believe these are two separate matters, Madam Chair and Member Sugimura. What's on the agenda is just the lot purchase. The easement concerns that Mr. Gates has submitted a complaint on, that's a separate matter that's I don't believe would be appropriate for discussion on today's Council agenda. Thank you.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: It doesn't affect this?

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: It doesn't affect the purchase. We can proceed then. Is that correct?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: You may want to consult with Corporation Counsel on that.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Okay. I just want to be clear.

CHAIR LEE: We'll check on that. Anybody else?

Ms. King

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: And Member Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair, just to, I just had the same concerns as Ms. Sugimura. I just want to make sure that Corp. Counsel can, you know, give us the go ahead to go ahead with, you know, if there, I don't know what the situation was, if they're claims or not, but it would be good to get the clearance from Corp. Counsel.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Ms. Kama.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Well, my concern is I don't want, yes, thank you, Chair. I was just on the same thought pattern as Member Sugimura, is that I want to make sure that if we buy this and we purchase this that we're not going to have access issues, or easement issues, or, you know, any issues that would cause us to be landlocked. So, is there a way to figure out if it's, I mean, I didn't visit the site, but can we know the answers to that? Thank you, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Okay.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: There's Mr. Hopper.

CHAIR LEE: Is, did you say, Riki? Mr. Hokama.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Yea, Mr. Hokama, and then Corp. Counsel Hopper is, is on.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Hokama.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: But, Member Hokama, yea, Member Hokama had his hand up long time.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair, I don't know--

CHAIR LEE: Yes, and that's why I called him twice.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Yea, Chair, thank you very much. I don't know if Mr. Hopper, you wanted Mr. Hopper to give comment. But I'll be speaking today with reservations. I'll support. And I like the intent, Chair. I just have a problem with ag land being looked at, at \$1.8 million for 48 acres. I think it's overpriced. And, you know, I think \$1.3 million is the most I would expect to pay as a taxpayer, looking at this property.

And so, I'll support it because the resolution states "up to" the 1.8 ceiling. So, I'm just saying that, you know, I believe that's too high. I think \$1.3 million is the more appropriate figure for the purchase. So, I'm stating that on the record. And that is my area of reservations. But the intent to acquire, I support that effort. Thank you, Madam Chairman.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Thank you, Mr. Hokama.

I see that we have Corp. Counsel Hopper on the line. I saw his face a few minutes ago. Mike Hopper?

DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL MICHAEL HOPPER: Yes.

CHAIR LEE: Okay.

DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL HOPPER: Would you like me to comment, Chair?

CHAIR LEE: Yes, yes.

DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL HOPPER: Okay. We had a discussion of this issue in Committee. This, this resolution, the Committee, or the Council already has authorized the purchase of this property through, by resolution for \$1.7 million and there's actually a purchase and sale agreement for \$1.7 million. Subsequent though to the resolution authorizing the sale, that before closing, there was a lawsuit filed against the County.

And two of the counts in the lawsuit allege that the previous resolution that was, that was approved by Council was deficient and did not authorize the purchase of the, of the property. So, this is, and we don't agree with those claims, but to, to get rid of any doubt, one thing that our office did was submit a resolution to the Council to deal with any of the alleged deficiencies in the previous resolution. So, you are sort of readopting the same, the same resolution as previously, with a property description that is a bit clearer, I would say, to deal with those potential claims.

There are other claims in the lawsuit, not related to the adequacy of the resolution, and therefore, this item is actually in GET Committee. The discussion earlier of the proposed settlement offer and other documents related to that has been sent to GET Committee, and there is an item at GET Committee on this. So, with this resolution is, and the reason it's, it's separate, is because this, this action was sent forward to the Council first, because it was seen as sort of an immediate action the Council could take to deal with a couple of the claims in the lawsuit, which is, in fact, ongoing. The ultimate potential, how to deal with the lawsuit and other issues is something that in GET Committee can be dealt with.

And I think Member Paltin had some questions over, about some of the items that were raised by the testifier. Those, those items are before the GET Committee and can be viewed there. Some of it may be considered confidential cause there was a settlement offer involved in that. But that is also in the GET Committee.

As far as, it's again, deal with a couple of the issues raised in the complaint dealing with the adequacy of the resolution. Now at this time, closing is scheduled for June 30. The County may seek to extend that closing deadline to have a GET Committee

meeting later on to discuss the further strategy in dealing with this. But for now, the reason this is before you is to basically re-authorize the same purchase with a couple of claims in the lawsuit. So, that's what this was before you, I think this was discussed in Committee. If we really need to, we can go to executive session to discuss the, the lawsuit and the issues there. Again, though there is a GET committee item on this that's, that is related.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Hopper. Mr. Hopper.

DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL HOPPER: But this is seen, I think as something--

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Hopper. Mr. Hopper. Okay, so, so, you don't see this action today as premature? It actually will help the case, right?

DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL HOPPER: No. This would allow for, I believe so.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Alright. Ms. Paltin. Ms. Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. Thank you, Mr. Hopper. I just wanted to speak in support of the motion, and I don't think that there's any easement issues that Councilmember Kama was speaking about because this lot purchase gives connectivity from all the disjointed parts that the County already does own. And so, I speak in support.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Anybody else? Any questions for Mr. Hopper while he's on the line? If not, thank you, Mike. Thank you.

We'll proceed now with the vote. Any further discussion? All those in favor of the motion, raise your hand. Again, I can't see all of you.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. AND

CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Are there any "noes" out there?

NOES: NONE.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Nine.

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CHAIR LEE: Nine? Nine "ayes". Alright, motion carries. Motion carries.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair for the record, that is RESOLUTION 20-88.

COMMITTEE REPORT

NO. 20-63 - GOVERNANCE, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE:

Recommending that the correspondence from the Department of the Corporation Counsel requesting an opportunity to discuss the status of <u>County of Maui v. Rick Markham, et al.</u>; Civil 17-1-0393(2), be FILED.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair.

MOVE TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 20-63.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Second. Okay. It's been moved by Mr. Molina, seconded by Mr. Sinenci, to approve Committee Report 20-63.

Discussion, Mr. Molina?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yes, thank you, Madam Chair. Your GET Committee met June 2 to discuss this matter. Your Committee received the status update of the case in open session by Deputy Corporation Counsel, and later an executive session meeting was held. And your Committee voted after the meeting, 9-0 to file the correspondence. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion? If not, all in favor in the motion, of the motion, say "aye", raise your hand.

AYES:

COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING, MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND CHAIR LEE.

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CHAIR LEE: Okay. Any "noes" out there?

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: If not, nine "ayes"; motion carries unanimously.

Mr. Clerk.

COMMITTEE REPORT

NO. <u>20-64</u> - <u>GOVERNANCE, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE</u>:

Recommending that Resolution <u>20-89</u>, entitled "AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF HAWAII PACIFIC TRENCHLESS, INC. VS. GOODFELLOW BROTHERS, LLC, ET AL., CIVIL NO. 2CC181000436(2)," be ADOPTED.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Yes, thank you, Madam Chair.

MOVE TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 20-64.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI:

SECOND.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Second.

CHAIR LEE: Moved by Mr. Molina, seconded by Mr. Sinenci, to adopt the recommendation in Committee Report 20-64.

Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you very much, Madam Chair. Your GET Committee met on this matter on June 2, 2020 and received an overview of the case in open session by a Deputy Corporation Counsel. And following an executive session meeting, your Committee voted 9-0 to adopt the revised proposed resolution. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you. And any more discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion, say "aye" and raise your hand.

AYES:

COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING, MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR LEE.

NOES:

NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Nine "ayes", no "noes"; motion carries.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: For the record, that is RESOLUTION 20-89.

COMMITTEE REPORT

NO. 20-65 - GOVERNANCE, ETHICS, AND TRANSPARENCY COMMITTEE:

Recommending that <u>Bill 76</u> (2020), entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF HAWAII, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS, HAWAII OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH DIVISION, FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF ALLEGED VIOLATIONS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY," be PASSED ON FIRST READING and be ORDERED TO PRINT.

CHAIR LEE: Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair.

MOVE TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 20-65.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Moved by Mr. Molina, seconded by Ms. Sugimura, to adopt the Committee Report recommendations in 20-65.

Mr. Molina.

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Thank you, Madam Chair. Your GET Committee met on June 2 to discuss this matter and received an overview of this case in open session by a Deputy Corporation Counsel. And following an executive session meeting, your Committee voted 9-0 to pass the revised proposed bill. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion? It not, all those in favor of the motion, say "aye" and raise your hand.

AYES:

COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING, MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND

CHAIR LEE.

NOES:

NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Very good; 9-0 in favor. No, no "noes". Motion passes.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair for the record, that is BILL 76 (2020).

COMMITTEE REPORT

NO. 20-66 - PLANNING AND SUSTAINABLE LAND USE COMMITTEE:

Recommending the following:

- 1. That Resolution <u>20-90</u>, entitled "REFERRING TO THE LANAI, MAUI, AND MOLOKAI PLANNING COMMISSIONS A PROPOSED BILL TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE RELATING TO CANOPY TOUR AND ZIPLINE OPERATIONS," be ADOPTED; and
- 2. That County Communications 19-94, from Councilmember Yuki Lei K. Sugimura, be FILED.

CHAIR LEE: Member Paltin.

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair.

I MOVE TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION IN COMMITTEE REPORT 20-66.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Moved by Member Paltin, seconded by Member Sugimura, to adopt the recommendation in report, Committee Report 20-66.

Discussion, Ms. Paltin?

COUNCILMEMBER PALTIN: Thank you, Chair. The Planning and Sustainable Land Use Committee discussed the impacts of canopy tour and zipline operations throughout the County. Supporters of the resolution stated the negative impacts from ziplines and canopy tours cause a burden to the surrounding properties' permitted uses, including livestock raising and farm dwellings.

Input from canopy tour and zipline operators was also taken into consideration to create reasonable grandfathering provisions and a pathway to compliance for existing operations. Therefore, the Planning and Sustainable Land Use Committee unanimously recommended adoption of the resolution to transmit the proposed bill to all three planning commissions. I respectfully ask the Members support for my motion. Thank you.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Mr., Mr. Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Thank you, Chair. I speak in support of the motion. So, I want to thank Chair Paltin for taking this up, and I want to thank Ms. Sugimura for the proposal. I like this, because I never understood Planning's approach to accessory . . . in zoning categories. So, I would say, Chair, I support it because, one; it's going to not be recognized as any accessory use anymore in any zoning category; a conditional permit will be required.

Because I don't want to see the accessory word used to circumvent the original permitted uses of a zoning category and thereby bastardizing our legislation. So, I support the Committee's work. I support Ms. Sugimura's proposal. And I think this will help bring us into more uniform application of our zoning code. So, thank you very much.

CHAIR LEE: Thank you, Mr. Hokama.

Ms. Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you. Thank you, everybody. This legislation was also worked on by Mr. Molina, so I just want to acknowledge that, as we did site visits and saw the anguish of the communities that are being impacted by ziplines right across their fence. And it's pretty, pretty rowdy. So, I look forward to this.

My staff is going to let me know when the planning, Maui Planning Commission item comes up, and I will watch this closely. And look forward for it to come back to the Committee, so we can finalize this. Thank you very much, Ms. Paltin. Thank you, Mr. Molina. Thank you, Mr. Hokama

CHAIR LEE: Alright, any further discussions? If not, all those in favor of the motion say "aye". Raise your hand.

AYES:

COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING, MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Opposed, "nay".

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Motion carries 9-0.

Mr. Clerk.

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, for the record, that is RESOLUTION 20-90.

Proceeding with ordinance for second and final reading.

ORDINANCES

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI
AS IT PERTAINS TO THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR,
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
(EAST MAUI ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS)

CHAIR LEE: Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. If there are no objections, Chair, may I request the Clerk to also call up Bill 74?

CHAIR LEE: Any objections.

MEMBERS VOICED NO OBJECTIONS.

CHAIR LEE: So, ordered.

Mr. Clerk.

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 3, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO THE MAUI COUNTY GRANTS PROGRAM

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair.

I MOVE TO PASS BILL 73 AND BILL 74 ON SECOND AND FINAL READING.

COUNCILMEMBER KING:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Moved by Vice-Chair Rawlins-Fernandez, seconded by Member King, to pass Bill 73 and 74 on second and final reading.

Discussion? Ms. Rawlins-Fernandez.

VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ: Mahalo, Chair. Bill 73 amends Fiscal Year 2020 Budget by updating provisions under the East Maui Economic Development and Cultural Program line item in order to allow these organizations more flexibility in the use of their funds to account for cancelations and other effects due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Bill 74 amends the Maui County Code to minimize barriers for small organizations with limited resources and maximize efficient use of County funds for recipients of grants by allowing upfront disbursements of 25 percent or more of grant funds. This amendment also states in the event a grant recipient is in violation of the County regulations, the Council may, by resolution, prohibit the recipient from applying for any grants for five years, return all funds or real property that have been granted, and subject them to debarment proceedings. I ask for the Councilmembers continued support of this motion. Mahalo, Chair.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion--

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Chair.

CHAIR LEE: --say "aye".

COUNCILMEMBER KING: Chair, Mr. Sinenci, Mr. Sinenci has his hand up. I know you can't see him.

CHAIR LEE: Oh, okay. Sorry, Mr. Sinenci. I didn't see you. But I, luckily, I have eight other people watching. Okay, Mr. Sinenci.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI: Thank you. Real quick. I just wanted to mahalo the support from the Administration, the Budget Director, and the Office of Economic Development for their expediency and just for their willingness to accommodate our communities.

Mahalo.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Any further discussion? Otherwise, all those in favor of the motion, say "aye", raise your hand.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS HOKAMA, KAMA, KING,

MOLINA, PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ. AND

CHAIR LEE.

NOES: NONE.

CHAIR LEE: Very good. 9-0; unanimously passes.

Mr. Clerk, last item.

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ORD	IANI	NCE NO.	
BILL	NO.	75	(2020)

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR
OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI TO ENTER INTO
AN AMENDMENT TO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE
BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, STATE OF HAWAII,
REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF WATER ALLOCATION CREDITS FROM THE
CAMP MALUHIA SITE NO. 1 WELL DEVELOPMENT FOR STATE PROJECTS

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Ms. Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Okay. For the last item on the agenda.

CHAIR LEE: Member Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: I move--

CHAIR LEE: Yes.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA:

MOVE TO PASS BILL 75 (2020) ON SECOND AND FINAL READING.

COUNCILMEMBER SINENCI:

SECOND.

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Moved by Ms. Sugimura, seconded by Mr. Sinenci, to pass Bill 75 on second and final reading.

Ms. Sugimura.

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Thank you, Chair. Bill 75 amends the original 2004 IGA agreement to the Camp Maluhia Site No. 1 Well to allow the Department of Water Supply to, to more flexibility on the location of the well. The Department has learned additional information, and that the TMK included in the original agreement might not be the best location for the well, which is why this agreement was proposed. This agreement, okay, all of you have the information.

Chair, the item was passed out of my Committee. And as previously discussed in the first reading in Committee, this project is currently in the exploratory phase. And before the well is finalized, an agreement from the water source credits will come to the Council for review and approval. So, you'll see this item again come before the Committee. I ask for the Members full support.

CHAIR LEE: Any further discussion? If not, all those in favor of the motion, say "aye", raise your hand.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS KAMA, KING, MOLINA,

PALTIN, SINENCI, SUGIMURA, VICE-CHAIR

RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ, AND CHAIR LEE.

CHAIR LEE: Opposed, "nay".

NOES: COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA.

CHAIR LEE: Do we have nine?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Eight.

CHAIR LEE: Or eight?

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: "No".

CHAIR LEE: Okay. Okay. Eight "ayes", one "no"; motion carries.

Mr. Clerk

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK: Madam Chair, there's no further business before the Council.

CHAIR LEE: Alright. Members, you know we do have a Chair's meeting. I, I'll try to keep it as short as possible. But it's supposed to start at, in four minutes, so would you like half an hour or . . . for lunch or something?

COUNCILMEMBER SUGIMURA: Let's proceed.

CHAIR LEE: Just wondering.

COUNCILMEMBER KAMA: Something.

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COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: Short break, nuff.

CHAIR LEE: Short break? Like, maybe 20 minutes? 15 minutes?

COUNCILMEMBER MOLINA: 20.

CHAIR LEE: 20? Okay, that would be roughly 1:45. Okay? So, but for this meeting, the regular Council meeting of June 19, is adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting of June 19, 2020 was adjourned by the Chair at 1:24 p.m.

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June 19, 2020 9:00 am

To:

The Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair, Maui County Council

The Honorable Keani N.W. Rawlins-Fernandez, Vice Chair, Maui County Council

From:

Dr. Sheri Daniels, Executive Director – Papa Ola Lōkahi Joseph Gonsalves, Executive Director – Hui No Ke Ola Pono

D. Kamahanahōkūlani Farrar, Executive Director – Nā Pu'uwai

Re:

CC 20-329 SUPPORTING AND URGING THE MAYOR TO SUPPORT A FEMINIST ECONOMIC

RECOVERY PLAN FOR COVID-19 (PAF 20-170)

Papa Ola Lōkahi is pleased to submit ,on behalf of the Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act that includes five Native Hawaiian Health Care System across the pae 'āina and the Native Hawaiian Health Scholarship Program, this testimony in **strong support** of PAF 20-170 to support an economic recovery plan for women and girls, māhū, and aikāne. Women serve as the foundation of Native Hawaiian families and communities.

Through US Public Law (102-396), Papa Ola Lōkahi has the kuleana to "raise the health status of Native Hawaiians to the highest possible level" which we achieve through strategic partnerships, programs and public policy.

We are concerned about the compounded social and economic impacts facing our communities. The intersection of race and gender is of parmount concern to our organizations right now. We must take a holistic approach to solutions for our families and communities, among those being Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders who are often marginalized and left behind.

We agree with the principles and tenets of equality and equity. They are core to addressing the social determinants of health and the populations hardest hit by these factors that impact our health, well-being and longevity of life. This resolution promotes best practices and evidence supported priorities that are proven successes and in acknowledging the kuleana of women in our traditions and cultures.

This resolution is an important step for Maui County to support pathways out of poverty which improves the health and well-being our of communities. It emphasizes the kuleana of women, while acknowledging the kuleana of women in our traditions and cultures.

Papa Ola Lōkahi along with Hui No Ke Ola Pono and Nā Pu'uwai are ready and willing to help the Maui County Council implement the recommendations listed in this resolution. We hope the rest of the counties, state, and the nation respond to the pillars of equality set here and commit to similar objectives.

Ha'iku Community Association PO Box 1036 Haiku, HI 96708 June 18, 2020

To: Maui County Council

Re: Testimony in Support of CR 20-62

Aloha Chair Lee and Council Members,

MARTIN ALMERO WILL JOSEPH OF WAR 2020 JUN 19 AM 7: 53

Ha'iku Community Association thanks you for your support of County Resolution 20-62 which authorizes the purchase of Lot 6 of the Ha'iku Sugar East Subdivision. This 48. 77 acres of land connects Lots 3 and 1 of the Hamakualoa Open Space, and is excellent agricultural land with a long history of cultivation.

The community appreciates the time and effort the Council has given to consideration of this purchase.

Mahalo nui loa

Ha'iku Community Association Lucienne de Naie, President

ROADWAY DEDICATION & RIGHT OF WAY STANDARDS ~ Testimony ~

#20-335 - June 19, 2020

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Throughout Maui County, the Council is being asked to accept ownership of "carved out "roadway dedications from private developer's subdivisions that are both unsafe and unsightly. A recent accident is Napili illuminates this specific issue and the County's resulting potential liability.



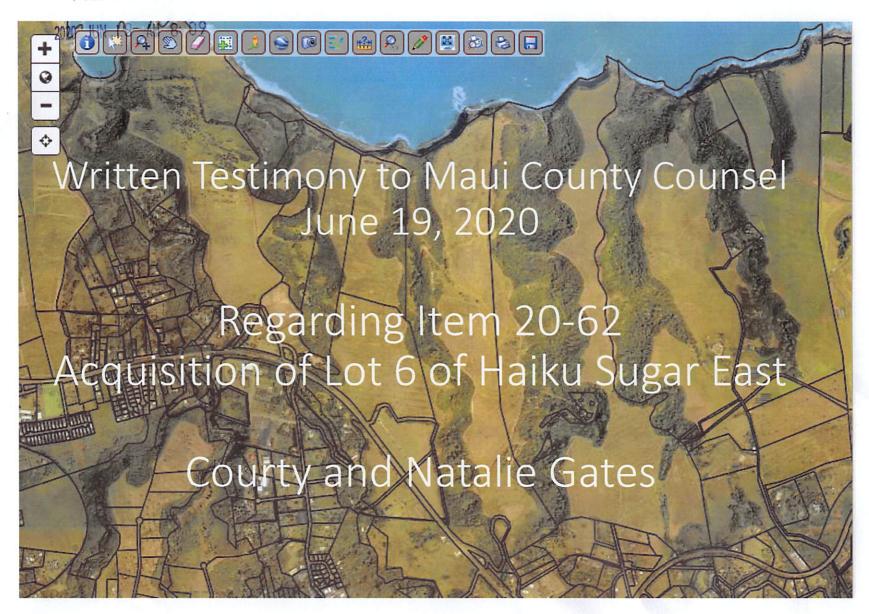


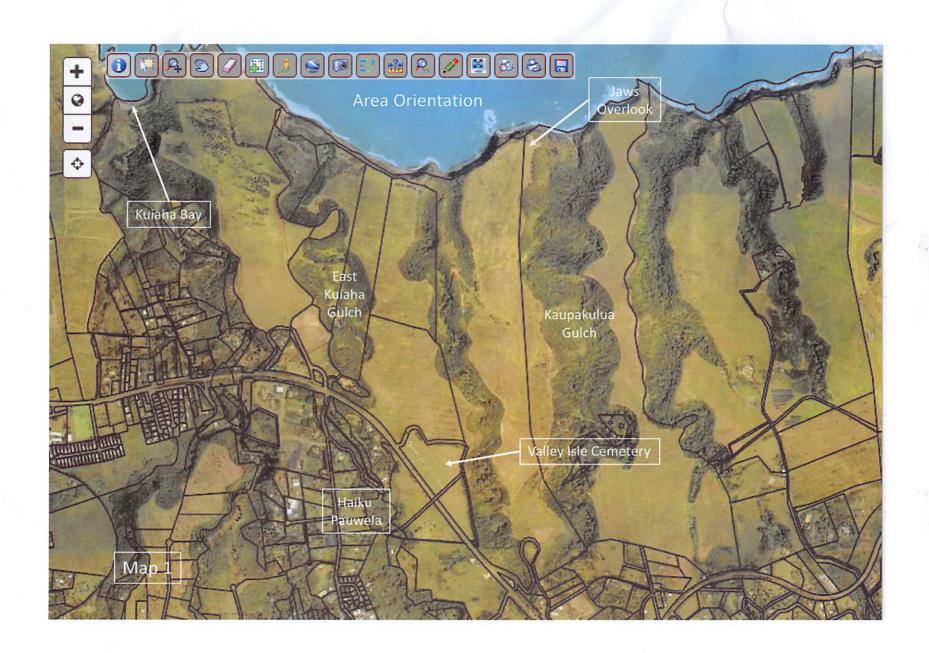
The Title 18 roadway Right of Way width designations are outdated. The land being dedicated to the County through subdivision conditions requires property owners to push back their parcels for future roadway widths which are impractical and inconsistent with previously approved CIP's.

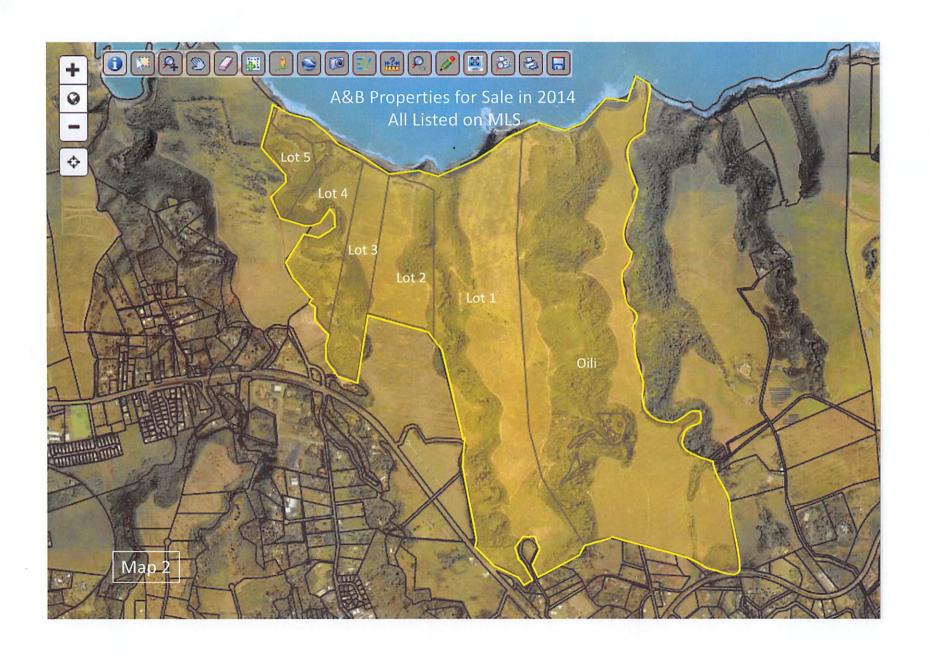
The local feeling of our neighborhood in Napili and other areas of Maui County are being destroyed by massive concrete walls and constant runoff from dedicated roadway "carve outs" which serve no purpose.

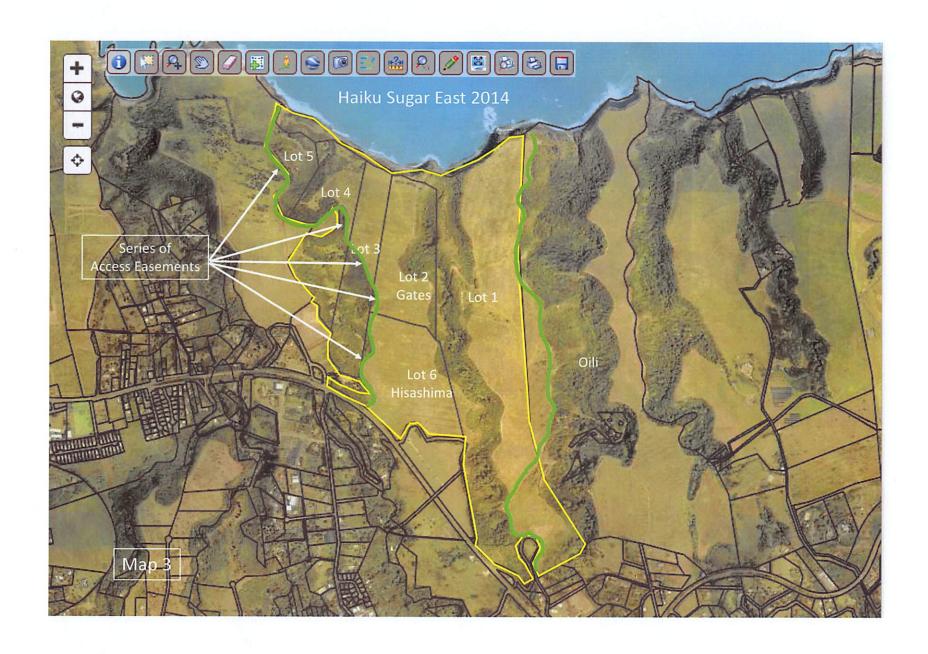
Through legislation, these practices can be mitigated and eliminated. The attached letter sent to Public Works in 2018 explains the conditions.

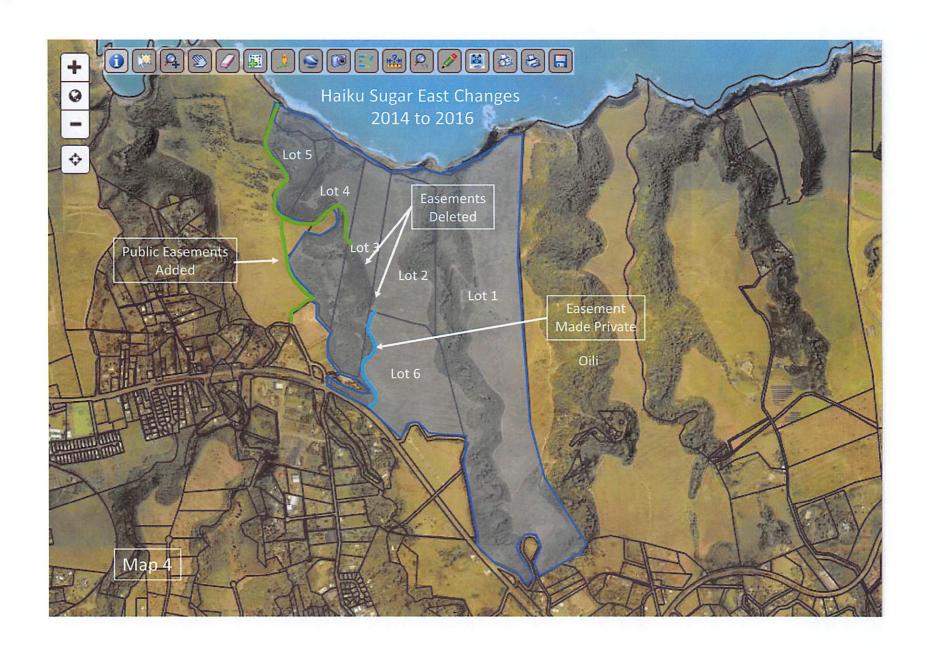
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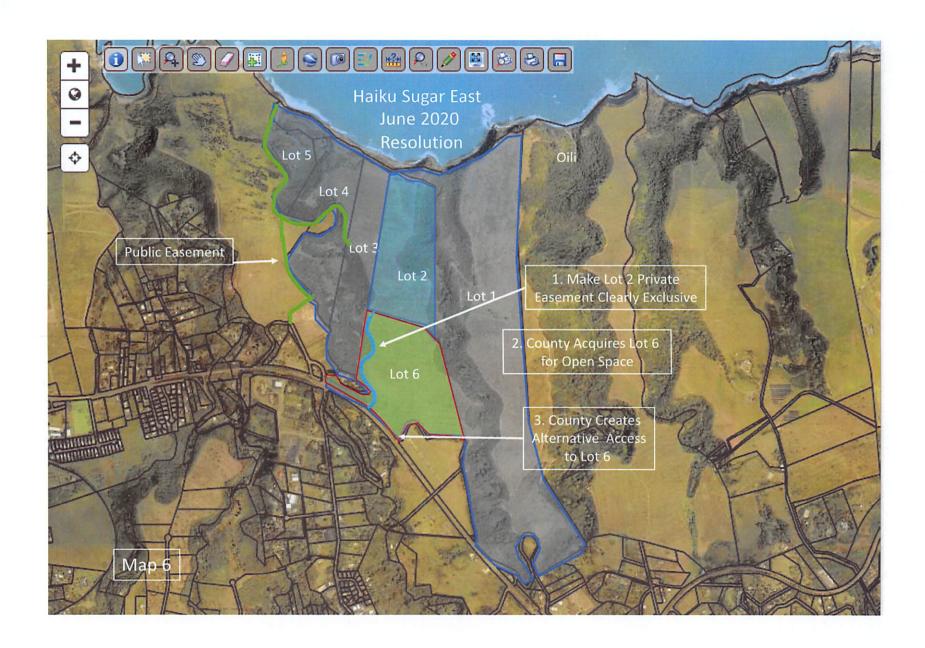












Summary

- This testimony is on the topic of item 20-62: the County purchase of Lot 6 of the Haiku Sugar East Subdivision
- We want to make it very clear that we support the purchase of Lot 6 subject to confirming one aspect of an <u>existing contract</u> between us, the County and the owners of Lot 6
- We have been trying unsuccessfully for almost 2 months to engage the County in conversation and confirm the language in the contract

Courty and Natalie Gates: Who We Are

- Hawaii residents since 2012
- Owners of Lot 2 in Haiku Sugar East Subdivision since 2014
- Supporters of conservation and environmental protection
 - Hawaiian Islands Land Trust (HILT)
 - Maui Invasive Species Committee (MISC)
 - Nature Conservancy
 - Environmental Defense Fund
 - World Wildlife Fund
 - Others
- Supporters of Open Space

2014: Gates Buy Lot 2

In 2014 we looked at several properties in Haiku including all of the properties listed by A&B on the MLS (see Map 2). These included all of the lots ultimately purchased by the County in the Haiku Sugar East Subdivision in 2016. In late 2014, we purchased Lot 2 in the subdivision with an access easement from Hana Highway across Lot 6, our only access to Lot 2. At that point A&B owned Lots 1, 3, 4, and 5; the Hisashima family owned Lot 6; and we owned Lot 2 (see Map 3).

Since buying Lot 2 we created and implemented a management plan including:

- Cleaning up the property removing tons of garbage ranging from dirty diapers to abandoned vehicles
- Putting up and repeatedly replacing signs to protect the environment and cultural sites in our portion of Konanui Gulch
- Partnering with a local rancher to graze the upland to restore the soil and reduce fuel for fires
- Planting an orchard and vegetable garden

2016: County Buys Lots 1, 3, 4 and 5

In 2016 Maui County purchased Lots 1, 3, 4 and 5 of the subdivision as Open Space entering into a contract with Lot 2 and Lot 6. As part of that contract:

- A&B provided new public access easements from Nahele Road to Lots 3, 4 and 5
- Easements across Lots 2 and 3 were deleted
- Lot 2's access easement across Lot 6 was made "Private"

See Map 4 for relevant changes and Map 5 for current state.

2020: Lot 6

In or around 2020 Maui County entered into contract to purchase Lot 6 from the Hisashima family with the intention of adding to the existing Open Space in Haiku.

Since April, when we learned of the potential purchase, we have requested confirmation of the easement language in the existing contract and confirmation that the County will create a separate access to Lot 6 from Hana Highway.

Our easement is described as "Private." This clearly means <u>not public</u> and also means <u>exclusive</u> as Lot 2 would be the only privately owned property in the subdivision. We have received no substantive response.

Open Space Activity since County Purchase

The County despite its contractual obligations has not demonstrated an ability to create and maintain a clean, safe and secure environment in its existing Open Space and access points. The County has not implemented a management plan in 3 ½ years. As a direct result, common activities include:

- Dumping household garbage and yard waste
- Dumping and stripping vehicles
- Operation of motorcycles, ATVs, and trucks off road
 - Destruction of cultural sites
 - Damage to environment including damage to ocean from erosion
- Setting fires, two of which were directly upwind of Gates house
- Hunting
- Camping
- · Sustained gunfire in a recent event

Maui County has not acted as a responsible land owner or good neighbor.

Hahana Road Access Selected Images



Conservation Easement Selected Images

Sustained gunfire event



Dumping



Vehicle operation



Cultural site destruction



Lots 4 and 5 Selected Images









Nahele Road Access Selected Images





Gates Resolution and Reasoning

- Resolution (see Map 6)
 - The private easement to Lot 2 across Lot 6 is made clearly exclusive to Lot 2
 - Lot 2 takes responsibility for the care and maintenance of road and gate
 - Lot 2 grants the County temporary access to easement for the care of Lot 6 until the County is able to create its own access to Lot 6
- Reasoning
 - The private easement to Lot 2 across Lot 6 is not needed by the County
 - Easement runs along a gulch edge, has no coastal views and ends at Lot 2 property line (see Map 6)
 - In 2016 the County agreed to alternative public access to Lots 3, 4, and 5 from Nahele Road
 - County ownership of Lot 6 puts the Gates' access and property at additional risk.
 - The County can create its own access to Lot 6 from Hana Highway if and when appropriate

Since the County is not harmed, why has this exclusive easement not been already confirmed?

End result

- Community: Gets 50 more acres of open space in Haiku
- County: Gets opportunity to create Open Space worthy of the name
- Owners of Lot 6: Are paid
- Gates Family: Has clear, safe, secure access
- Please ask the Mayor why this remains an open issue
- It is still possible to close by June 30
- We have drafted an amendment that is ready to be signed

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Mahalo for your time and consideration.



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Komikina Kūlana Olakino o Nā Wāhine Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women

Prepared for the Maui County Council By Khara Jabola-Carolus, Executive Director

Testimony IN SUPPORT CC 20-329 Feminist Economic Recovery Friday, June 19, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.

Dear Chair Lee, Vice Chair Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

On behalf of Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women, I write in support of CC 20-329, which supports and urges the Mayor to support a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19. I respectfully request that you pass this urgent measure **today** in order to guide the recovery process already in motion throughout government on Maui and across the state.

CC 20-329 is landmark legislation that represents an important step to counteract economic turmoil, job loss, heightened violence and caregiving demands on women that have been caused, in large part, by COVID-19 layered onto existing gender inequities. This is the first legislation in the United States that seeks to mitigate the gendered impacts of the COVID-19 crisis.

According to the University of Hawai'i Economic Research Organization (UHERO), women account for the majority of job losses and 57% of unemployment insurance claims in Hawai'i to date. The systemic discrimination against women prior to COVID-19 leaves them ill-prepared to weather this economic shock. Seventy percent of Native Hawaiians and eighty percent of Filipinos in Hawai'i report living paycheck to paycheck, and of these an estimated eighty-five percent are women. With a broken child care system, women will be unable to reenter the workforce at the same rate of men. Further, women will remain locked out of construction, trades and renewable energy—sectors targeted for stimulus.

Another barrier to economic recovery for women is increased domestic violence, child sexual abuse, and sex trafficking. Local experts in each field anticipate a spike following lockdown. Women also face interruptions to reproductive health care unexampled in recent history. The list of unique impacts to women is long, and underscores the importance of this

measure. Thank you for your leadership to ensure that the recovery process repairs the harm done by the COVID-19 crisis and allows women to equally benefit from the recovery forward.

Accordingly, the Commission respectfully urges the Council to pass CC 20-329 today.

Mahalo,

Khara Jabola-Carolus, J.D. Executive Director



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June 17, 2020

Re: Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

The Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence (HSCADV) engages communities and organizations to end domestic violence through education, advocacy, and action for social justice. HSCADV is a private, not-for-profit organization and is a statewide partnership of domestic violence programs and shelters.

On behalf of the Hawaii State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, please consider this message as my testimony in <u>strong support</u> of CC 20-329, which would establish the Maui County Council's support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19. This first-in-the-nation measure recognizes the disproportionate impact of economic and social turmoil caused by the COVID-19 crisis on women and resolves to counteract gender inequality through the recovery process.

Due to existing gender norms and inequities, COVID-19 has affected women's <u>physical safety</u> and <u>financial security</u> around the world and here at home. A recovery plan that is not explicitly feminist will likely perpetuate inequalities, as <u>observed</u> during the Great Recession of 2008.

The COVID-19 pandemic has shown the world what domestic violence advocates have known for years domestic violence is an ongoing, gender-based public health crisis that is deeply rooted in racism and oppression. Nationally, 80% of the victims of domestic violence are women and women of color are disproportionately impacted by domestic violence. In Hawai'i, the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) 2013 data show that compared to 13.1% of Caucasian respondents, 21.6% of Native Hawaiian, 14.1% other Pacific Islander, 6.6% Black, and 5.9% Filipino respondents reported ever experiencing physical abuse by a current or former intimate partner.

The fallout of the pandemic has resulted in victims battling to address the trauma and circumstances of their abuse, all while also trying to meet the basic needs of their families such as housing and food. Our emergency domestic violence shelters in Maui county remain at capacity and victims report increased risk of lethality such as strangulation, the presence of firearms and threats or attempts of suicide. An economic recovery plan of this nature will give victims alternative options to staying with or returning to abusers during an economic crisis.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. Please pass this measure today. CC 20-329 is urgently needed because the recovery is being implemented now.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo, Angelina Mercado, Executive Director

From: Sent: pah <2spiralbirth@gmail.com>

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Thursday, June 18, 2020 8:39 AM County Clerk

Subject:

Pass 20-329 feminist recovery plan

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Aloha Maui County Council,

I thank you for your time and all you are doing for the well being of Hawai'i and the future that is praying for justice and harmony to be once again in this nation of Hawai'i.

I write as a female, a mother, a student, a survivor, a settler, a human being. My name is Pahnelopi McKenzie and I support CC 23-

329 and respectfully urge you to pass this measure. When i read the Feminist recovery plan created by the Committee for the status of Women I was touched to see a plan like this. I was filled with hope to see that it is possible to have a plan drafted that placed the well being of all people at the forefront. We see in this plan that is part of a transformation that can allow for the recovery of people to be placed in the hands of Women. Women are the backbone that keeps our world going even when society treats us as the doormat. I see the unity of the Feminist recovery plan and the 'Āina Aloha recovery plan working hand and hand. Both of these plans together can be a future that we can all work toward with faith in possibility. The Feminist recovery plan and the 'Āina Aloha recovery plan are plans that can be set in motion to allow for the healing and restructuring as we know it. Native Hawaiian belong to this land and have always had the power of women to be honored and at the forefront of a healthy society. We see this currently the powerful Women in council that have brought these recovery plans to the table. Hawaii honors the anti-racist, non-binary, anti supremacy models that create a future in which we can live united as a functioning society. The voice of women in Hawai'i is a voice for us all. In the structure of America white women have been standing by the side of the patriarchal white supremacy model for to long pretending to be innocent bystanders. Many white people are good people and can stand and do stand for the wellbeing of the future. Yet white America is based in violence and destruction of earth, the bodies of women and children, and the silence of indigenous people and cultures. With that sais it is shown white American people have created and maintained the oppressive systems that are currently crumbing, with violence at every level. We can see this even in the recovery plan that the there are two categories of women. Women and then women of color. We see that the past models of feminism have been the voices of white women because if it was all women there would be no distinction between women and women of color. From my understanding, in Hawai'i there was not a feminist movement because women of Hawaii were valuable members of society working within the innate power as a valuable force within the kingdom. Hawaii is a progressive place outside of the american model of feminism and commerce. In Hawaii women are a valuable, intelligent and honorable voice to a healthy world.

This Feminist recovery plan give true voice to Women, children, healthy economics and a better future for us all. The voice of Native people of Hawai'i must be given space to speak and transform to the wellness of the future of Hawaii. Having a feminist recovery plan that can restructure education, job security, 'āina stewardship, housing, policing and many other aspects is what I feel we need to focus on. In a feminist recovery we have issues such as human trafficking being address, un fair housing and job discrimination, maternal health issues, health care transformations. With a feminists Hawai'i recovery plan there is space to help heal and transform the future. I am in full support of Indigenous Feminist recovery plans giving people the power to restructure the economics of Hawai'i. As a settler from a violent, racist, oppressive nation called America I know that the economic plans they have established do not work and cannot work in a healthy society. I ask today that you support the Committee of the status of Women Feminist recovery plan along with the 'Āina Aloha recovery plan to be the voice and framework to restructure Hawai'i for a better future for all. Thank you for your time and dedication for a live where we can all live together with wellness and prosperity for all. Blessings to you and your family, Pahnelopi McKenzie

Blessed be your day and all that you do!

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Re: Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members: THE

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Due to existing gender norms and inequities, COVID-19 has affected women's <u>physical safety</u> and <u>financial security</u> around the world and here at home. A recovery plan that is not explicitly feminist will likely perpetuate inequalities, as <u>observed</u> during the Great Recession of 2008.

As a mother of 6 children, I know the impacts and repercussions working mothers are facing. Essential workers are majority women, most of them mothers. Mothers and those caring for family members have been putting themselves at risk all while working for pay that isn't enough. Mothers having to figure out childcare and many having to weigh the benefits of working just to pay for childcare with little left over. Women are the disportionately affected because they hold lower paying jobs that don't give them any benefits or job security, especially Black, indigenous ,native and immigrant women.

As a birthworker and maternal health specialist, seeing the impact Covid-19 has had on Black, Pacific Islander and Native women has been devastating. Seeing birthing people scared and put in the position to make hard decisions about their health care and safety in the midst of a pandemic, will have repercussions that go way beyond this moment. Ensuring that we are thinking about all the ways women are impacted is paramount.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo, Tanya Smith-Johnson, MS

Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander HAWAI'I COVID-19 Response Recovery Resilience TEAM RECEIVED AM 10: 19 RESPONSE RECOVERY RESILIENCE TEAM

June 19, 2020 9:00 am

To:

The Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair, Maui County

The Honorable Keani N.W. Rawlins-Fernandez, Vice Chair

From:

Dr. Sheri Daniels, Co-Lead, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Hawai'i COVID-19 Response,

Recovery, Resilience Team

Josie Howard, Co-Lead, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Hawai'i COVID-19 Response,

Recovery, Resilience Team

Dr. Joseph Keawe'aimoku Kaholokula, Co-Lead, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Hawai'i

COVID-19 Response, Recovery, Resilience Team

Felea'i Tau, Co-Lead, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Hawai'i COVID-19 Response, Recovery,

Resilience Team

Re:

CC 20-329 - SUPPORTING AND URGING THE MAYOR TO SUPPORT A FEMINIST ECONOMIC

RECOVERY PLAN FOR COVID-19 (PAF 20-170)

Position:

Strong Support

Aloha * Talofa * Yokwe * Kaselehlie * Alii * Hafa adai * Mālō e lelei * greetings,

We have many ways to describe the labors and obligations of Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander women that we open within our greetings to you; the Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Hawai'i COVID-19 Response, Recovery, Resilience Team. We are pleased to submit this testimony in <u>strong support</u> of PAF 20-170/CC 20-329 to create an economic recovery plan for women and girls, māhū, and aikāne.

Hā'awe i ke kua; hi'i i ke alo. A burden on the back; a babe in the arms. Said of a hard-working woman who carries a load on her back and a baby in her arms.

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Our communities have upheld the mo'okū'auhau and mo'olelo of women in Pacific societies – their beauty, abilities, and power. Living an Indigenous mindset means we uphold these genealogies as sacred with mana wāhine and mana māhū today as their living descendents. Women serve as the foundation of Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander families and communities. In as much, this resolution is a core step in the right direction for our peoples and comprehensive solutions needed to support us for years to come.

More than 30 programs and organizations that serve the health and wellness needs of Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders have established a COVID-19 Response, Recovery and Resiliency Team. This Hawaii-based

Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander



team is assessing how the Novel Coronavirus 2019 is disproportionately impacting communities that already have the greatest health, social and economic disparities, and are under-represented in the decision-making processes. The purpose of our group efforts is to inventory and support current efforts, identify gaps, and facilitate partnerships and resources. The intent of this Team is to support local initiatives and position ourselves to assure that the perspectives of Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islanders in Hawai'i are considered when policies and programs are being developed, such as this legislation.

Of these areas to advocate for are the gender-based impacts that are intersectional to race/ethnicity. We too are concerned about the compounded social and economic impacts experienced by Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander women, girls, māhū, and aikāne due to the stressors of COVID-19. These include but are not limited to:

- 1. The disproportional impact of positive COVID-19 rates
- 2. Uninsured and underinsured rates
- 3. Testing and treatment expenses
- 4. Domestic violence and interpersonal violence, assault, and trauma
- 5. Food insecurity
- 6. Poverty
- 7. Job, wage, and benefit losses
- 8. Inadequate shelter and housing
- 9. Unpaid care-giving of children and elders
- 10. Digital gap and lack of access to critical technology

Because of these impacts and their long-term risks, Hawai'i must take a holistic approach to solutions for our families and communities, among those being Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders who are often marginalized and left behind. Because of these longstanding realities, we agree with the principles of equality and tenets of equity listed in this resolution. In fact, they are core to addressing the social determinants of health and the populations hardest hit by these factors that negatively impact our health, well-being and longevity of life.

We are pleased to see this resolution promotes best practices and evidence supported priorities that are successful in improving public health. This resolution is an important step for Maui County to support pathways out of dispair. It emphasizes the kuleana of women, while acknowleding the kuleana of wāhine and māhū in our traditions and cultures.

Our team is ready and willing to help the Maui County Council and the Mayor to implement the recommendations listed in this resolution. We hope the rest of the counties, state, and the nation respond to the pillars of gender-based equality set here and commit to similar objectives.

Further, we encourage appropriate resourcing to be provided to Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander programs that support women, girls, māhū, and aikāne on the islands of Maui, Moloka'i, Lāna'i and Kaho'olawe. We are confident that identifying common goals that build on our strengths will bring about impactful and sustainable change to assure that our people will thrive within Maui Nui and Hawai'i Nei.



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To:

The Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair

The Honorable Keani N.W. Rawlins-Fernandez, Vice Chair

From:

Paula Arcena, Executive Vice President, External Affairs

Re:

(PAF 20-170) SUPPORTING AND URGING THE MAYOR TO SUPPORT A FEMINIST

ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN FOR COVID-19 (CC 20-329)

Position:

Support

AlohaCare is pleased to submit this testimony in <u>support of CC 20-329</u> to create a COVID-19 economic recovery plan for women and girls, māhū, and aikāne. AlohaCare believes sound economic recovery plans that prioritize vulnerable and at-risk members of our community are essential to the options being discussed across Hawai'i. Our members who reside on Maui, Lāna'i, and Moloka'i are in need of recovery support now more than ever. By establishing the Maui County Council's support for a feminist recovery, there is significant impact potential to our enrollees.

AlohaCare is a local, non-profit health plan founded in 1994 by Hawai'i's Community Health Centers. We serve over 65,000 Medicaid and dual-eligible health plan members across the state. We are the third largest health plan in Hawai'i. We partner with nearly 3,500 physicians, specialists and providers in the care of our members. We have over 265 employees who serve the state's healthcare needs on all islands including Maui, Lāna'i, and Moloka'i.

72% of AlohaCare's Medicaid members are women, infants, and children/adolescents. AlohaCare's members account for 25% of births in our state's Medicaid population. In fact, 1 in 5 of AlohaCare's women and girl members reside on the islands of Maui, Lāna'i, Moloka'i. Among our Native Hawaiian members, 20% of AlohaCare's Native Hawaiian women members reside on your islands; and 22% of AlohaCare's Native Hawaiian girl members reside in your County. Therefore, we have been closely monitoring additional ways we can support the health and wellness of these members and their needs throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Since March 4, the Hawai'i Department of Human Services' (DHS) Med-QUEST Division has enrolled over 24,000 additional beneficiaries, which is an increase of more than 7.5 percent in less than three months¹. The number of new applicants has continued to climb for the months of April, May, and June given the serious unemployment rates Hawai'i is experiencing. According to data from DHS, Maui County has seen a 53% increase in Med-QUEST applications. As of May 11, about 44,000 Maui County residents rely on QUEST Integration to cover their health care needs².

Maui News. (1, June 2020). Med-QUEST paring of health insurance providers is nixed. Maui News. Accessed from https://www.mauinews.com/news/local-news/2020/06/med-quest-paring-of-health-insurance-providers-is-nixed/
 Hofschneider & Gill, E. (18, March 2020). Hawaii Medicaid Applications Soar Amid Widespread Job Losses. Honolulu Civil Beat. Accessed from https://www.civilbeat.org/2020/05/hawaii-medicaid-applications-soar-amid-widespread-job-losses/



At AlohaCare, we are listening to the community and embracing global best practice recommendations to help provide our network with the best information and interventions available during the coronavirus pandemic. There is no playbook on what we do or how to do it. That is why AlohaCare <u>supports CC 20-329 and applauds the honorable members of the Maui County Council for taking the steps needed to address longstanding health disparities and social inequities which burden our members daily.</u>

According to the United Nations³, "A pandemic amplifies and heightens all existing inequalities. These inequalities in turn shape who is affected, the severity of that impact, and our efforts at recovery. Instead, every COVID-19 response plan, and every recovery package and budgeting of resources, needs to address the gender impacts of this pandemic. This means: (1) including women and women's organizations at the heart of the COVID-19 response; (2) transforming the inequities of unpaid care work into a new, inclusive care economy that works for everyone; and (3) designing socio-economic plans with an intentional focus on the lives and futures of women and girls. Putting women and girls at the centre of economies will fundamentally drive better and more sustainable development outcomes for all, support a more rapid recovery."

By report of the World Economic Forum⁴, "As health systems become stretched, many people with COVID-19 will need to be cared for at home, adding to women's overall burden, as well as putting them at greater risk of becoming infected." At AlohaCare, we know first-hand about the stressors on the healthcare system and the families we serve during this pandemic. With the shutdown of schools, childcare centers, and after-school programs, the stressors on women living in poverty are dramatic, especially as many of them want/need to return to work, but cannot due to care-giving responsibilities. Therefore, AlohaCare is their safety net plan and we take that responsibility to your constituents seriously. This is why we are proud and committed to being an essential QUEST Integration plan to the residents of Maui, Lāna'i, and Moloka'i for many years to come and provide free health coverage and medical services statewide.

Opportunities to improve the health of women and girls are clinically well established in public health. We also know that the health of women and girls will not be improved without addressing their social determinants of health. Poverty, education, transportation, housing and basic needs must be part of any inclusive strategy to reduce inequities during COVID-19. Therefore, working together on the gaps listed in this resolution align with our vision of whole person health and whole community well-being.

Our team at AlohaCare is ready and willing to help the Maui County Council and the Mayor to implement the recommendations listed in this resolution. It is our vision to see empowered individuals living in healthy communities. AlohaCare is here to serve as a community partner and service provider to respond to the needs of Maui, Lāna'i, and Moloka'i, especially those that are designated as medically-underserved and high-need. We hope the rest of the counties, state, and the nation respond to the pillars of gender-based equality set here and commit to similar objectives. Thank you for this opportunity to testify. We ask that the Honorable members pass CC 20-329 today.

³ United Nations (9, April 2020). *Policy Brief: The Impact of COVID-19 on Women*. United Nations. Accessed from https://www.un.org/sites/un2.un.org/files/policy-brief-on-covid-impact-on-women-9-april-2020.pdf

⁴ Hutt, R. (12, March 2020). *The coronavirus fallout may be worse for women than men. Here's why.* World Economic Forum. Accessed from https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2020/03/the-coronavirus-fallout-may-be-worse-for-women-than-men-heres-why/

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members and Staff,

Re: Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

Please accept this testimony in support strong support of CC 20-329, which would establish the Maui County Council's intentions to introduce feminist economic recovery measures in relation to COVID-19. This first-in-the-nation measure recognizes the disproportionate impact of economic and social turmoil caused by the COVID-19 crisis on women, and on women of color in particular. The measure resolves to counteract gender and racial inequalities through the recovery process.

I am a specialist in gender and economic development from O'ahu, with over 15 years of experience working with governments and international organizations to implement policies that recognize and remediate these kinds of gender inequalities. Many governments and municipalities around the world have committed to feminist foreign policies (e.g. Canada), gender-responsive budgeting (e.g. Scotland, Uruguay) and other methods aimed at reducing gender and social inequalities (also UN Sustainable Development Goals 5 and 10).

On a personal level, I am shielded from some of the most difficult impacts of this crisis. Yet I witness all around me the increased burdens of care and education women must take on in their families and communities and the enormous amount of emotional labor many women also do to support the mental health crises COVID-19 is creating and exacerbating.

We cannot let this crisis further deepen inequalities in unpaid care work, in emotional labor and in paid works/financial security - amongst many others. But without explicit attention to these issues, that is exactly what will happen.

We believe that the municipal -the county level - is an inspiring and critical sphere in which grassroots concerns can be translated into policies that truly make a difference for people who's needs and priorities are often marginalized.

Maui has a historic opportunity to rise up with and raise up the voices of Hawai'i's women. This historic moment calls for nothing less than this kind of progressive leadership.

Thank your for time and for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Sincerely,

Dr. Amanda Shaw

Lecturer, Dept. of Political Science

University of Hawai'i at Manoa

Waimānalo, O'ahu 808 429 5310

From:

Sunny Chen <sunnyc@hmhb-hawaii.org>

Sent:

Thursday, June 18, 2020 9:14 AM

To:

County Clerk

Subject:

Re: Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

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2020 JUN 18 AM 9: 19



Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

I am writing in <u>strong support</u> of CC 20-329, which would establish the Maui County Council's support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19. This first-in-the-nation measure recognizes the disproportionate impact of economic and social turmoil caused by the COVID-19 crisis on women, and resolves to counteract gender inequality through the recovery process.

Due to existing gender norms and inequities, COVID-19 has affected women's <u>physical safety</u> and <u>financial security</u> around the world and here at home. A recovery plan that is not explicitly feminist will likely perpetuate inequalities, as <u>observed</u> during the Great Recession of 2008.

Personally, as a mother of three, nurse and director working for a non-profit organization- it has been a huge challenge for my family and staff trying to serve the community without childcare. We are very worried about the families that we serve in our organization- their safety, health and financial securities will suffer if we don't consider a recovery that takes into account all of the issues covered in the feminist recovery plan. We have a chance to make Hawaii a role model for others to follow when it comes to a recovery plan that takes into account women, mothers and at-risk populations at the forefront.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo,

Executive Director	
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Sunny Chen, MBA, RN, IBCLC

From:

Jacquelyn Aurora < jacquelynaurora@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, June 18, 2020 9:00 AM

To:

County Clerk

Subject:

Support feminist economic recovery plan.

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My name is Jacquelyn Ingram, I support CC 23-329 and respectfully urge you to pass this measure. Women are important members of society, both at home and in the community. We need a living wage, safe and affordable childcare options and access to midwifery, especially in Maui. My family has had homes in Maui and Molokai since the early 1970s. I am a working mom. Thank you for hearing the voices of Hawai'i.

Jacquelyn Ingram.

Sent from my iPhone

From: kate griffiths <djmauimama@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, June 19, 2020 11:30 AM

To: County Clerk

Subject: Testimony in support of CC 20-329 Feminist Economic Recovery Plan Resolution

Aloha,

Please accept my written testimony into the record in support of CC 20-329.

Aloha, my name is Kate Griffiths. Many of you know me for the work I do in Councilmember's King's office, but I also publish The Mauimama – a local magazine/local resource guide that supports and advocates for the rights of women, children and birth. I am also the Chair of the County of Maui Committee on the Status of Women. Our first meeting since COVID is next Tuesday so we have not had the opportunity to discuss this Commission of the status of Women's feminist economic recovery plan for COVID-19.

Today I am speaking on behalf of myself and The Mauimama in support of CC 20-329.

My life's mission is to leave this planet better than I found it and thus creating a better future for our children and many generations to come.

This pandemic has given us a gift of pause and reflection. It has exposed long ongoing weaknesses in our economy and inequalities in our society. We have come along way, but we still have a lot of work to do to ensure an environment where everyone has an opportunity to thrive. We can take this time to rebuild our economy, and this time, not on the backs of those that are often left in the shadows.

I believe when we lift people up and respect them, while establishing an equitable system we all do better! Better health, better society, better economy!

This Feminist Economic Recovery plan has many merits – it is a great blueprint for policy making and fund allocation. Imagine if we build an economy that is measured by the wellbeing of single moms.

A plan that addresses the invisibility of women by including their voice.

A plan that opposes cuts in social services especially domestic violence, maternal, sexual, reproductive and mental health services that can be lifelines for many women.

A plan that focuses on diversifying our economy steering away from predominantly low tourism wages and a pivot towards green technology and prevailing wages.

A plan that prioritizes social infrastructure – childcare, education, healthcare and readdress critical economic inequalities by raising minimum wage, universal single payer healthcare, paid sick days, paid family leave and food self-sufficiency programs.

A plan that focuses on Native Hawaiian's recovery needs.

Rather than rush to rebuild the status quo of inequality I encourage that we support a plan that encourages a deep structural transition – one that will ensure equality and a better future for all.

This is why I support this resolution entitled "SUPPORTING AND URGING THE MAYOR TO SUPPORT A FEMINIST ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN FOR COVID-19" and urge you to pass it.

Mahalo, Kate

Kate Griffiths Publisher & Editor in Chief The Mauimama (808) 283-6631 PO Box 845, Haiku. HI 96708 FB: Mauimama Magazine www.mauimama.com

From: Sent: Tamera Heine <tameraheine@gmail.com>

County Clerk

To: Subject: Thursday, June 18, 2020 8:18 AM

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Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members: TY CLERK

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This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo, Tamera Heine

From:

Donavan Albano <albanodc@hawaii.edu>

Sent:

Thursday, June 18, 2020 9:00 AM

To:

County Clerk

Subject:

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

Please consider this message as my testimony IN STRONG SUPPORT of CC 20-329 Feminist Economic Recovery, which would establish the Maui County Council's support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19.

Ke aloha nui, Donavan C. Albano Council of the County of Maui June 19th 2020 OFFICE OF THE

Testimony in Support of CC 20-329, "SUPPORTING AND URGING THE MAYOR TO SUPPORT A FEMINIST ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN FOR COVID-19"

Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in <u>strong support</u> of CC 20-329, which would establish the Maui County Council's support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19. This first-in-the-nation measure recognizes the disproportionate impact of economic and social turmoil caused by the COVID-19 crisis on women, and resolves to counteract gender inequality through the recovery process.

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Women in Hawaii make up two-thirds of our front line workers. They are the majority of the workforce in child care and social services (78 percent) and healthcare (74 percent). And in April, more women filed for unemployment. Some news organizations are calling this recession a "shecession" because of how it is uniquely impacting women. When schools and child care facilities closed, it was women who felt the additional stress of being expected to simultaneously give care and work. These are not coincidences but rather, the latest chapter in how we undervalue women and their work. Adopting the feminist economic recovery plan is a first step in committing to passing policy that upholds the dignity and value of women and their contributions.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo,

Kathleen Algire
Director of Public Policy and Research

From:

Allyson Appelbaum <aappelbaum@soka.edu>

Sent:

Thursday, June 18, 2020 7:02 AM

To: Subject: County Clerk

Testimony in Support of CC 20-329/Feminist Recovery Program

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

Please consider this message as my testament in **strong support** of CC20-329, which would establish the Maui County Councils's support for a feminist economic recovery from covid-19. **Please pass this measure today, CC20-329 is urgently needed because the recovery is being determined now.**

This first-in-the-nation measure recognizes the disproportionate impact of economic and social turmoil caused by the covid-19 crisis on women, and resolves to counteract gender inequality through the recovery process.

Due to existing gender norms and inequalities, COVID-19 has affected women's physical safety and financial security around the world and here at home. A recovery plan that is not explicitly feminist will likely perpetuate inequalities, as observed during the Great recession of 2008.

An overwhelming amount of people I know working on the "front lines" of this pandemic, be it in health care, social services, or the service industry are women- and overwhelmingly women of color who are also mothers. I personally know three women nurses who have contracted Covid-19. While these women should have been able to focus solely and healing and recovering from this deadly virus, they had to worry about how their families would be taken care of while they, the primary caretakers, were unable to. We cannot ignore the gendered and raced dimensions of this pandemic. A gender-conscious economic recovery plan is essential for Hawaii and beyond.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the oppurtunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo,

Allyson Appelbaum

From:

Alexandra Balgos <alexandrabalgos@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, June 18, 2020 12:37 AM

To: Subject: County Clerk

2020 JUN 18 AM 8: 08

Re: Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

OFFICE OF THE COMMITY CLERK

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

Please consider this message as my testimony in strong support of CC 20-329, which would establish the Maui County Council's support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19. This measure is the first in the nation to recognize the disproportionate economic and social turmoil caused by the COVID-19 crisis impacting women and resolves to counteract gender inequality through the recovery process.

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This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo, Alexandra Balgos

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Dear Maui County Councilmembers,

2020 JUN 18 PM 3: 55

I am writing in support of **County Communication 20-329** and efforts to implement a feminist economic recovery plan for COVID-19.

My partner and I have lost a combined three jobs due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As someone born and raised on Maui, impacted by COVID-19, and supporting a family, I believe the feminist economic recovery plan developed by the **Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women** is the best option to address the needs of my family and others in similar situations, as well as **systemic issues that have long impacted our community**.

In addition to asking you to support this Resolution, I respectfully ask the Council and the Mayor to take the next steps in boldly developing and implementing the policies outlined in the HSCSW Feminist Economic Recovery Plan, including aggressively spending CARES Act funding in a way that will reorient our economy away from tourism and luxury development, and toward building our county's social infrastructure such as childcare/youth programs, early childhood education, food security, housing, human concerns, and healthcare.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Axel Beers axel.beers6@gmail.com

From: Sent: Amanda Candens < candens@hawaii.edu>

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 10:10 PM

To: County Clerk

Subject:

In SUPPORT of CC 20-329

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

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I have lived in Hawai'i for close to 20 years, the majority of that time has been on Maui. I strongly feel this measure to be an absolute necessity for our community. Although I have seen our county grow over the years in addressing many issues surrounding women's safety and well-being, there is still so much more that needs to be done, particularly in light of the current health crisis the world is facing.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo, Amanda Candēns

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Re: Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery020 JUN 18 AM 8: 45

Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members: OF THE

My name is Jane Chung-Do and I am an Associate Professor at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Office of Public Health Studies. I teach public health graduate students and conduct research on food security and mental health issues with Native Hawaiian families and communities. I am writing to you today as a resident of Hawai'i and as a mother of two young children. I urge you to please consider this message as my testimony in strong support of CC 20-329, which would establish the Maui County Council's support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19. This first-in-the-nation measure recognizes the disproportionate impact of economic and social turmoil caused by the COVID-19 crisis on women, and resolves to counteract gender inequality through the recovery process.

Due to existing gender norms and inequities, COVID-19 has affected women's physical safety and financial security around the world and here at home. Both of my children's schools have closed since mid-March, forcing me and my husband to juggle the demands of our job while attempt to homeschool and care for our children. Although it has been challenging, we both have the privilege and resources to be able to partly work from home as well as stable jobs that were not impacted by COVID-19. However, many of my friends, colleagues, and students are struggling much more because some have lost their jobs or do not have the option to work from home and be with their children. Related to this, we need to adopt a livable wage, which will laregly impact women who are in service-oriented industries. In addition, those who were employed by the tourism industry have been disproportionately impacted as our State relies too heavily on tourism as our economic engine. To rebuild a stronger economy, we need to diversify our economy in a way that upholds the health of our people and our islands. For example, reinvesting in local agriculture can address both food and job insecurity issues that have been excerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

A recovery plan that is not explicitly feminist will likely perpetuate inequalities, as observed during the Great Recession of 2008. This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. <u>Please pass this measure today.</u> CC22-329 is urgently needed because the recovery is being implemented now. Otherwise, we could waste precious time during the ongoing recovery decision-making.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo,

Jane Chung-Do, DrPH Associate Professor

University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Office of Public Health Studies

chungjae@hawaii.edu

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From:

Scott Crawford <scott@aloha.net>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 1:14 PM

To:

County Clerk

Subject:

Regular Meeting of June 19, 2020 - Testimony in Support of Bill 74

COUNTY CLERK

Aloha Council Chair and Members of the Council,

For the Regular Meeting of June 19, 2020, I would like to express my support for Bill 74 (2020).

I am writing as an individual, but I assist with grant management for several small nonprofits in East Maui which benefit from OED grant funds.

Sometimes it is a challenge for these organizations to have the cash flow up front to expend the grant funds, and then wait for reimbursement. It would be helpful in some cases to have access to a portion of the funds up front.

Mahalo for your consideration, Scott Crawford 808-281-2021

From: Sent:

Jasmine Dave <jasmine.pontillas.dave@gmail.com>

Thursday, June 18, 2020 7:53 AM

To:

County Clerk

Subject:

Re: Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery JUN 18 AM 8: 09

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members: CLERK

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Due to existing gender norms and inequities, COVID-19 has affected women's physical safety and financial security around the world and here at home. A recovery plan that is not explicitly feminist will likely perpetuate inequalities, as observed during the Great Recession of 2008.

The recovery of our state cannot be built on the backs of our women. Make us an equal part of the process. We should no longer be asked to sacrifice our own recovery at the expense of everybody else's.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo,

Jasmine Pontillas Davé, Esq.

From:

Kaleigh DeSimone <kaleigh.desimone@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, June 18, 2020 7:24 AM

To:

County Clerk

Subject:

Support CC 20-329

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

Please consider this email as my testimony in support of CC 20-329, which would establish the Maui County Council's support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19.

In some ways, my family and I have been fortunate during this pandemic. We are a dual income household that has maintained some semblance of security. However, my job will terminate on June 30, 2020 due to budget issues. Ten days later, I am anticipated to birth my first child. My employer does not offer paid maternity leave, and so I did what I could to prepare. I had saved up hundreds of hours of sick leave to cover my maternity leave, which will all be lost when the job ends. Come July when our baby joins this world, our family of three we will drop down to a single income that is below the low income bracket in the state of Hawai'i. In my household, I am both the primary breadwinner and pregnant. I do not know what the future will bring as potential jobs seem to lose funding every day. I continue to apply and I trust that at some point I will regain employment. However, even once we become a dual income household again, we then face the issue of childcare in the state. Will childcare centers reopen? Will we be able to have access to such centers given the financial cost and limited space? Will one of us have to sacrifice our careers because it is more economical for one to stay home? These questions loom as we try to establish a life for ourselves.

COVID-19 has disproportionately impacted the economic and social functioning of women. We need a plan that resolves to counteract gender inequality through the recovery process.

Due to existing gender norms and inequities, COVID-19 has affected women's physical safety and financial security around the world and here at home. A recovery plan that is not explicitly feminist will likely perpetuate inequalities, as observed during the Great Recession of 2008.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guide to the county, state, and nation. You have an opportunity to set an example for the rest of the world. Please, for the sake of your residents and women everywhere, please do not pass this up.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Kaleigh DeSimone

From:

Monique DeSimone < m.cv.desimone@gmail.com>

Sent: To: Thursday, June 18, 2020 7:24 AM

County Clerk

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As a lesbian woman of color, who is expecting her first child in July with a spouse who is losing their job this month, a feminist lens of recovery is necessary to ensure a recovery that doesn't perpetuate inequality.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo, Monique DeSimone

From:

Abigail Felix <felix.abigail127@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, June 18, 2020 9:28 AM

To: Subject: County Clerk

Testimony in Support of CC 20-329/Feminist Recovery Program

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

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I have several female family members who have been affected by the existing gender inequalities, which has only been exacerbated by COVID-19. With their job losses, they fear their financial security and their inability to find work again in the coming months, thus being unable to provide for their family's basic and necessary needs now and in the near future.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Thank you, Abigail Felix



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2020 JUN 18 AM 10: 19

To: Council of the County of Maui

Hearing Date/Time: Fri, June 19, 2020, 9:00 am

Re: Testimony in support of CC 20-329, with proposed amendments CLERK

Dear Chair Lee,

Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawai'i ("PPVNH") supports Maui County Council's proposed resolution to urge the Mayor to adopt a feminist economic recovery plan for Maui County. When crafting a recovery plan, it is more important than ever to center those who have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19: women and, in particular, women of color. Facing economic uncertainty and a health care system pushed to the brink, our economic recovery depends on supporting women and their needs, including investing in family planning programs and sexual and reproductive health care services.

Any meaningful economic recovery plan must consider sexual and reproductive health care

COVID-19 has acted as a great clarifier, magnifying inequalities across the board, including in our economy and in our health care system. Undoubtedly, women have been hit hardest economically by this pandemic, including women of color who are disproportionately impacted by the virus. Women across Hawai'i are at greater risk of losing their jobs as businesses downsize and close, resulting in a widespread loss of insurance coverage. With the loss of income and insurance, many more women will be unable to afford lifesaving, necessary sexual and reproductive health care.

Despite increasing demand for free or reduced-cost sexual and reproductive health services, Hawai'i's family planning program is currently woefully underfunded to meet current needs, let alone increased needs due to COVID-19. Even before COVID, attacks from the federal government – including Trump's unethical gag rule and the loss of Title X funds – jeopardized the integrity of Hawai'i's safety net of family planning providers. And now, facing intense budget constraints, the Hawai'i Legislature is considering whether or not to provide funding family planning services for low-income and uninsured people across the state.

Without state family planning funding, more than 15,000 people across Hawai'i may be unable to access free or reduced-cost sexual and reproductive health care, including residents in Maui County. Without sufficient funds, family planning providers may be forced to curtail health services, charge more for serivces, or even shutter their doors; at a time when patients need health care the most, they will encounter reduced services, shortened hours, and less access to care, disproportionately harming the most vulnerable, under-served communities.

Family planning services are essential to economic recovery in Hawai'i

¹ While we use the term "women" in this testimony, we recognize that transgender and non-binary people have faced disproportionate barriers to health care and economic security as a result of COVID-19. Planned Parenthood strives to use inclusive, gender-neutral language as much as possible while also acknowledging that misogyny and sexism continue to play a unique role in assessing the disparate impacts of this pandemic.

COVID-19's social and economic impact has and will continue to negatively affect overall sexual and reproductive health outcomes, as people face limited or no access to a provider. This is especially true for communities who already face historic barriers to health care, such as people of color, people with low incomes, immigrants, people living in remote or rural areas, and young people. For example, because of COVID-19, many people are finding it difficult to access contraception due to restrictions on movement, lack of supply, and increased demands on health providers.

Without access to affordable sexual and reproductive health care, people are being forced to delay or forego care altogether. Life-threatening conditions, such as cancer and pelvic inflammatory diseases, are going undetected and untreated, and existing health disparities for communities of color are worsening. We are already seeing the consequences of not having enough sexual and reproductive health services for people across Hawai'i: our state's STI rates are the highest they have been in 30 years, with the rates more than doubling over the last ten years. Without sufficient services, unplanned pregnancies, STIs, and abortion rates will likely increase, costing the state significant, much-needed dollars. Unplanned pregnancies and births also take up hospital beds, increase risk of COVID-19 spread to women and babies in hospitals, and utilize scarce personal protective equipment. Avoiding unwanted pregnancies with accessible family planning during and following the pandemic is both beneficial to maternal health and to the health care system as a whole.

Investing in and supporting family planning services and providers will ultimately save Maui and Hawai'i money – that's because providing preventive care avoids the need for more expensive treatment and management down the road. Family planning helps people pursue an education, get and keep jobs, and support their families, ultimately improving their economic security. Not only do family planning services support families through tough financial times, they also have a proven track record of saving money – for every \$1 spent on family planning, the government saves almost \$7 on future health care and social services.

To ensure that Maui's economic recovery plan reaps the health and economic benefits of providing adequate sexual and reproductive health services, PPVNH recommends adding the following language to the proposed resolution:

• WHEREAS, equitable access to sexual and reproductive health care is critical to the health and economic security of women in Hawai'i.

PPVNH supports Maui County's resolution for a feminist economic recovery plan. We know that centering the needs of women, including their access to sexual and reproductive health, is fiscally responsible, necessary to protect public health, and essential to economic recovery.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on this important resolution.

Sincerely,

Laurie Field Hawaii State Director

From:

Lexi Figueroa <lexif@hawaii.edu>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 10:04 PM

To:

Subject:

2020 JUN 18 AM 8: 08 County Clerk Personal Testimony for my SUPPORT of CC 20-329 / Feminist Economic Recovery Plan

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Aloha e Chair Lee, Vice Chair Rawlins- Fernandez and Honorable Members,

I would like to firstly introduce myself. My name is Lexi Kameko Figueroa. I was born in Hilo, Hawai'i but have been raised in Wailuku, Maui for basically my entire life. I am writing to you today to ask that you please take this email as my testimony in strong support of the Feminist Economic Recovery Plan- CC 20-329. This recovery plan will finally establish a supporting foundation from the Maui County Council towards the women and non-binary folks who are apart of our community. This Feminist Economic Recovery Plan is far different from all other recovery plans that have been presented forward because women and those who identify as non-binary are finally being put first.

I am a Native Hawaiian student at the University of Hawai'i Maui College and I continue to learn more and more about who I am as an Indigenous women. There is a long history of abuse towards Native Hawaiian women that reach far back to the times when missionaries first arrived to Hawai'i, which has caused a rise in sexual assault and violence targeted towards predominately women of color. I am extremely saddened to say that in my family alone, this violence has shown in a lot of different ways. Suicide, substance abuse, etc. have all been byproducts of this colonial violence. I am sharing my families story with you to show you that without any sort of recovery plan that centers women first, we as women will never fully be supported.

I would like to reiterate the words of Khara Tapay Jabola-Carolus whom is the Executive Director of the Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women and co-creator of this Feminist Economic Recovery Plan...

"This first-in-the-nation measure recognizes the disproportionate impact of economic and social turmoil caused by the COVID-19 crisis on women, and resolves to counteract gender inequality through the recovery process.

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Please pass this measure today, CC 20-329 is desperately needed because the COVID- 19 recover plan in Hawai'i is being determined right now. Thank you so much for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329. I've attached the link to the Feminist Economic Recovery Plan that I refer to down below.

https://humanservices.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/4.13.20-Final-Cover-D2-Feminist-Economic-Recovery-D1.pdf

Mahalo Again for Your Time Lexi Figueroa

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County Clerk

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Mahalo, Hawley Flack Maui resident

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I witnessed how COIVD-19 impacted the women in my life who are either working in healthcare or education. I am a college access advocate at a Title I high school. As a first-generation college student, I knew there were already barriers for my students. Many students' parents in the service and hotel industry lost their jobs. Checking in with students about their college applications and financial aid packages was in the context of knowing that students and families were (and currently are) in an economic crisis. I passed along information gathered to access resources for food, virtual health check-ups with nurses, and filing for unemployment.

How do educators instill hope and plan for the future with our youth when COVID-19's economic and social impact is relentless? I witnessed my colleagues who are mothers care for their children at home as they continued to serve our students remotely. Many co-workers expressed anxiety as we shared links to board hearings and news articles about the 20% pay cut proposed by Governor David Ige in April. I could not understand how the state is already short of 1,000 qualified teachers and the planned pay cut would harm educators already struggling in Hawaii. Not caring for educators is not caring for students.

Support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19 would protect women who are essential workers that raise the next generation of Hawaii's children, not only in their jobs in the frontline, but also in the homefront. Centering women will ensure the well-being of all of us here in Hawaii. This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo, Ashley Galacgac

From:

Rebecca Goldschmidt <rmgoldsc@hawaii.edu>

Sent:

Thursday, June 18, 2020 2:25 AM

To: Subject: County Clerk

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Dear Chair Lee, Vice Chair Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

Please accept this testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329, the proposal for a Feminist Economic Recovery Plan for Maui. This would be the first plan in the world to center the voices and experiences of women, who we have seen are disproportionately affected by COVID-19 because of the gender inequality that exists within our state and societal structures.

Now is the time to make brave decisions that WILL IMPACT our women as we bounce back from the economic and social complications stemming from COVID. I spent the majority of my quarantine sewing masks. To date, our Seamsters Union has produced over 3,000 masks for - specifically the Women's Prison on O'ahu and Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies, and organization delivering food, PPE, and other needed goods to new moms. HMHB continues to need masks for mothers as well as birthworkers on all islands. The first batch of our mask donations to HMHB actually were brought to birthworkers on Maui who were in desperate need of reusable PPE. The Seamsters are an all-female team that came together to support others - particularly vulnerable women - during these difficult times.

There is plenty of evidence exposing the inequities that exist for women right now, who are shouldering not only the financial burden, but the childcare, domestic labor, on top of any volunteer or community work they may be involved in.

Please make the right choice in supporting our women by **passing CC 20-239** and commit to a more just and equal community for all women. If women are thriving, we are all thriving.

Mahalo nui for your time!

Best, Rebecca Maria Goldschmidt

rebecca maria goldschmidt

master of fine arts dept. of art & art history university of hawai'i at mānoa

From:

Makanalani Gomes < makanag4@gmail.com>

Sent:

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To:

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As a Native Hawaiian Filipina Women, my 'ohana have taken hits financially. Although, definitely not as harsh as others. Thankfully, my mom is still employed and my dad is retired with a part-time job. I, on the other hand a 30 year old graduate student I am now looking for work after being a session hire for the state legislature. Thus, I am looking for work while facing the reality of being in graduate school full time with a possible delay in graduation due to Covid. All of this comes with economic uncertainty as well as social, emotional, physical, mental, and cultural trauma and stress.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

"Mai maka'u, e kūpa'a ma ke aloha 'āina"

Do not be afraid! Stand firm in love for this land.

Mahalo Piha & E Mālama Pono, Makanalani M. Gomes From:

Sarah Hamid <sarahhamid10@gmail.com>

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Sent:

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 1:09 PM

To:

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Subject:

URGENT: Testimony in Support of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

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Working as a youth consultant on the Hawai'i State Commission on the Status of Women's groundbreaking report "Building Bridges, Not Walking on Backs: A Feminist Economic Recovery Plan for COVID-19", I relayed information specific to the impact of COVID-19 on young women of color in Hawai'i. The impact, as we can all observe, is detrimental to the health and wellbeing of our communities, with many of our mothers, aunties, family members on the frontlines both for Hawai'i, but also for our homes. Mothers and those with caregiving duties are also on the frontlines right now and deserve and desperately need appropriate attention and support as we engage with the recovery of the economy. We need to support working mothers, and can do so by adopting CC 20-329.

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Mahalo nui,

Sarah Michal Hamid

From:

Elizabeth Hashimoto hashimotoec@gmail.com

Sent:

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 9:57 PM

To:

Subject:

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As we begin the process of opening again, we have the opportunity to do something better than return to the pre COVID-19, 'normal.' Instead, we can address the often ignored, but very real issues that women continue to face, and move forwards toward a better and more just world.

Mahalo, Elizabeth Hashimoto

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Shannon Hennessey <shanphennessey@gmail.com>

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Mahalo,

Shannon Pōmaika'i Hennessey shanphennessey@gmail.com

From:

Naomi Iwabuchi <naomiiwabuchi@icloud.com>

Sent:

Thursday, June 18, 2020 7:25 AM

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

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An overwhelming amount of people I know working on the "front lines" of this pandemic, be it in health care, social services, or the service industry are women- and overwhelmingly women of color who are also mothers. I was one of the lucky ones, with an office job, privileged to work from home- yet I struggled through three months of caretaking my toddler while also having carrying the expectation to be fully productive at my salaried job and it left me depleted and worn down. My partner lost his job and we were unable to afford our son's hefty preschool childcare tuition- any attempt to secure childcare assistance from the state specifically for covid-19 was met with voicemail recording after voicemail recording - no one would return my emails or calls. While my partner is home to take care of our son, if I'm home-the majority of the nurturing/caretaking work still falls on "mommy". I felt like I was on a hamster wheel that would never stop. We cannot ignore the gendered and raced dimensions of this pandemic. Remember-I'm one of the lucky ones. Far more women in Hawaii had a harder time trying to secure affordable childcare (an oxymoron in hawaii) to attend their essential frontline jobs, then they came home to more domestic labor. A gender-conscious economic recovery plan is essential for Hawaii and beyond. Women are the backbone of the economy and the household.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the oppurtunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Thank you, Naomi Iwabuchi

Sent from my iPhone

2020 JUN 18 AM 8: 29

June 18, 2020

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

Women Helping Women (WHW) works to end domestic violence through advocacy, education and prevention, and to offer safety, support and empowerment to women and children, victims of domestic violence. On behalf of the Women Helping Women, please consider this message as my testimony in strong support of CC 20-329, which would establish the Maui County Council's support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19. This first-in-the-nation measure recognizes the disproportionate impact of economic and social turmoil caused by the COVID-19 crisis on women and resolves to counteract gender inequality through the recovery process.

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The COVID-19 pandemic has shown the world what domestic violence advocates have known for years domestic violence is an ongoing, gender-based public health crisis that is deeply rooted in racism and oppression. Nationally, 80% of the victims of domestic violence are women and women of color are disproportionately impacted by domestic violence. In Hawai'i, the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) 2013 data show that compared to 13.1% of Caucasian respondents, 21.6% of Native Hawaiian, 14.1% other Pacific Islander, 6.6% Black, and 5.9% Filipino respondents reported ever experiencing physical abuse by a current or former intimate partner.

The fallout of the pandemic has resulted in victims battling to address the trauma and circumstances of their abuse, all while also trying to meet the basic needs of their families such as housing and food. Throughout the pandemic, calls to our hotline have remained consistent and our shelters are full. Recently, victims have report increased risk of lethality such as strangulation, the presence of firearms and threats or attempts of suicide. An economic recovery plan of this nature will give victims alternative options to staying with or returning to abusers during an economic crisis.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo nui. Sanoe Ka'aihue, Executive Director

> 1935 Main Street Suite 202 Wailuku, HI 96793

Phone: (808) 242-6600

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From:

Pi'ikea Kalakau-Baarde <piikeakalakau@gmail.com>

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Personally, I have been impacted by COVID-19 as a female educator in Hawai'i who is facing potential pay cuts as I work to both educate and care for the children in our public schools while supporting my own family. If our state's economic recovery plan is not explicitly feminist, we will continue on with business as usual, causing more pain and suffering to the groups of women who are the backbone of our local communities. From childcare to nursing to education and more, we cannot continue to operate in a way that oppresses the very groups that hold our state together in every direction.

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Mahalo,

Pi'ikea Kalakau-Baarde

2924 East Lelehuna Place

Haiku, HI 96708

To: Maui County Council

Re: Testimony in Support of CR 20-62

Aloha Chair Lee and Council Members,

Thank you for your support of County Resolution 20-62 which authorizes the purchase of Lot 6 of the Ha'iku Sugar East Subdivision. The fact that the County is purchasing this land gives me hope that Maui County will preserve this beautiful land that means so much to me as well as my ohana.

My family and I appreciate the time and effort the Council has given to consideration of this purchase.

Mahalo

Charla Konohia



TO: Maui County Council

FR: Nanci Kreidman, M.A.

Please accept this testimony in support of Resolution CC 20-329. The corona virus has disproportionately impacted women.

Our health, safety, housing, caretaking and economic instability is at significant risk.

We are grateful for your recognition of these challenges and urge you to favorably advance this Measure.

From:

Cu L. <cu26lee@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 1:27 PM

To:

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From: Sent: Lisa Marten lisamarten@hawaii.rr.com>

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 11:49 AM

To:

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Please pass CC 23-329

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Aloha Chair Lee, Vice Chair Rawlins-Fernandez and Members,

I urge you to seize this exciting opportunity to align Maui policy with our values of reducing gender inequity. As you support Maui residents and help with the recovery from restrictions necessitated by COVID-19, you can use those funds to lift up women. This action will be a model for other Counties to emulate.

Please pass CC 23-329.

Mahalo, Lisa Marten



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I am a licensed speech-language pathologist for the Department of Education and have seen many families, including my own, be negatively impacted by the COVID-19. Many working mothers have lost childcare due to closures of preschools and schools. These closures have forced mothers to choose between financially providing for their families and leaving their children with no supervision or losing their jobs to care for their children with no means to provide basic necessities.

I personally birthed my first child on March 27, 2020 in the midst of this pandemic. I did not feel physically safe leaving my home in fear of contracting the Corona virus. My partner lost many restaurant accounts due to the closures of the economy. This resulted in financial hardship that will take months to recover. Women need to feel supported and represented in these tough times.

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Mahalo,

Jayla Martinez MS SLP-CCC

From:

Marian Miller < drmarianmiller@me.com>

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Thursday, June 18, 2020 6:37 AM

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I urge you to be the leader of change. I have been counseling for over 25 years and have born witness to the disparities and trauma that comes with inequality. Being a change agent one person at a time is a small way to make a difference. As council members this is an opportunity to create systemic change when WE need it most.

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Mahalo,

Marian L. Miller, PsyD, MFT

Licensed Clinical Psychologist Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist From:

Nai`a <naia96708@yahoo.com>

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Sent:

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 3:33 PM

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As the retired principal of Maui Individualized Learning Center in Wailuku, I remember when we had to close, as a result of that Recession. I forwarded the phone to my home, so that students with outstanding tutoring hours could get served, and Maui Learning was born. Due to our necessity for "sheltering at home," my tutoring business has come to a screeching halt. I am a sole proprietor, with mainly female tutors.

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Mahalo, Nadine [Nai`a] Newlight Haiku



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CC 20-329

CHANTY CLERK

SUPPORTING AND URGING THE MAYOR TO SUPPORT A FEMINIST ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN FOR COVID-19 Council of the County of Maui

June 19, 2020

9:00 a.m.

Virtual Meeting

The Administration of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) <u>SUPPORTS</u> County Communication 20-329 (CC 20-329), which urges the Honorable Maui County Mayor Michael Victorino to support a feminist economic recovery plan in the County's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. OHA appreciates the concerns raised in this resolution, which notes that among those most impacted by the negative effects of this pandemic are women, girls, femme-identified and nonbinary people, and women of color, including Native Hawaiians, and that these voices are largely missing from formal discussions regarding the impacts of the pandemic and associated economic recovery action planning. OHA offers the following comments and information in support of this resolution.

The sacred creation story known as the Kumulipo showcases the importance of the female energies in Native Hawaiian culture through the prominence of the powerful and revered Haumea, Papa, and La'ila'i goddesses.¹ Haumea is considered the procreator of the Native Hawaiian universe, birthing the Hawaiian archipelago and everything in within, including marine resources and land creatures. Native Hawaiian thought merges the physical and metaphysical aspects of life to conceptualize a reality that allows for harmonious relationships between all genders. OHA as an agency has a kuleana to ho'oulu lāhui aloha – raise our beloved nation – and in doing so, OHA remains steadfast in its duty to mālama the inequities faced by Native Hawaiians, including Native Hawaiian women, girls, femme-identified and nonbinary people, consistent with our cultural foundation.

In furtherance of this kuleana, in 2018, OHA published a report focused on the health and well-being of Native Hawaiian wāhine (the Haumea Report); data in this report illuminates the increased impacts, risks, and challenges that women and Native Hawaiian wāhine in particular may face from the COVID-19 pandemic, which should be considered in any proposals to reopen or recover our economy. Among other information, the Haumea Report identifies many disparities relating to the overall well-being of women and Native Hawaiian wāhine, including connected or intertwined issues involving mental and emotional wellness, physical health, motherhood, incarceration, intimate partner

¹ See generally, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Haumea – Transforming the Health of Native Hawaiian Women and Empowering Wāhine Well-Being, at 4 (2018), available at https://www.oha.org/wahinehealth.

violence, education, and occupational opportunities and wage gaps.² These disparities may only exacerbate, or be exacerbated by, the wide-ranging impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic; accordingly, a feminist economic recovery planning approach may be necessary to address or mitigate the unique or heightened harms and threats from the pandemic that women and Hawaiian wāhine in particular face and may continue to face in the foreseeable future.

For example, with regards to mental and physical health, the Haumea Report notes that women experience more stress than their male counterparts do, and mothers in particular suffer from higher rates of mental illness compared to other women, particularly among mothers who are financially strained while raising young children with little or no support;3 as found in the report, 28% of Native Hawaiian families are single-mother households, and nearly 19% of Native Hawaiian women between ages 25-34 are facing poverty (compared to 8.1% of non-Hawaiian males in the same age group).⁵ The Haumea Report also cites studies showing that Native Hawaiian female high school students demonstrated the highest overall rate of actual suicide attempts, higher than that of Native Hawaiian male high school students, and significantly higher than that of both non-Hawaiian male and female students.⁶ The report further notes that Native Hawaiian wahine had the highest rates in the state in considering their combined physical and mental health as "not good" for 7 to 13 days every month. Moreover, data collected from 2012 to 2016 demonstrate that Native Hawaiian women suffer from substantially higher rates of chronic diseases such as Type II diabetes, obesity, smoking, and asthma than both non-Hawaiian men and women.8 Such disparate mental and physical health challenges and outcomes may only exacerbate, or be exacerbated by, the impacts and risks Native Hawaiian wahine face during this COVID-19 pandemic, whether directly from the COVID-19 disease; as a result of the pandemic's wide-ranging effects on our healthcare, service provider, social, and economic landscapes; or from economic recovery planning that proposes reopening measures without adequate safeguards and public health considerations. Accordingly, a feminist economic recovery plan that takes into account the increased impacts and risks faced by women, girls, femme-identified and nonbinary people -including Native Hawaiians in particular - and that uplifts their voices may be critical to ensuring that they are not disproportionately harmed, and that their unique or heightened needs are adequately addressed.

² OHA Haumea Report (2018), at 1-3, supra note 1.

³ OHA Haumea Report (2018), at 25, supra note 1.

⁴ OHA Haumea Report (2018), at 87, supra note 1.

⁵ OHA Haumea Report (2018), at 87, *supra* note 1. The Report further indicates that Native Hawaiian women are paid only 71 cents for every dollar that Caucasian men in Hawaiii are paid, and 82 cents for every dollar that Native Hawaiian men are paid. Nearly 19% of Native Hawaiian women between ages 25-34 are facing poverty, compared to 8.1% of non-Hawaiian males in the same age group. Similarly, about 15.3% of women aged 35-44 endure poverty, which is over twice the amount (7.1%) of non-Hawaiian males in this age range.

⁶ OHA Haumea Report (2018), at 22, supra note 1.

⁷ OHA Haumea Report (2018), at 22, supra note 1.

⁸ OHA Haumea Report (2018), at 38, supra note 1.

As the proposed resolution and various data make clear: women, girls, femme-identified and nonbinary people, and racialized/women of color, including Native Hawaiians, are obvious stakeholders in the overall health of our society, and as such should play key roles in the processes to stablize and revitalize Hawai'i's economy during and after the COVID-19 pandemic. To aid in our collective efforts to fully and equitably combat the negative effects of SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19, a feminist economic recovery plan, such as that published by the State of Hawai'i Commission on the Status of Women, would uplift not only Hawai'i women, girls, femme-identified and nonbinary people – including Native Hawaiians and people of color – but the entirety of our society as well.

Accordingly, OHA urges the Council to **PASS** the Resolution contained in CC 20-329. Mahalo nui for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

From: Sent: Kirsten Oleson < kirstenllo@gmail.com> Wednesday, June 17, 2020 11:51 AM

2020 JUN 17 PM 12: 57

To:

County Clerk

Subject:

Testimony - Feminist recovery plan

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

Please consider this message as my testimony in <u>strong support</u> of CC 20-329, which would establish the Maui County Council's support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19. This first-in-the-nation measure recognizes the disproportionate impact of economic and social turmoil caused by the COVID-19 crisis on women, and resolves to counteract gender inequality through the recovery process.

Due to existing gender norms and inequities, COVID-19 has affected women's <u>physical safety</u> and <u>financial security</u> around the world and here at home. A recovery plan that is not explicitly feminist will likely perpetuate inequalities, as <u>observed</u> during the Great Recession of 2008.

I have personally been incredibly fortunate during this time - I am a salaried professional, so I have not lost income or healthcare coverage. However, even for me, this has been an incredibly difficult time. I have not had childcare, which means that my work productivity has decreased and my stress levels have increased. I can only imagine what other women, including single mothers, have faced.

I am an economist who researchers the shortcomings of economic metrics, and impacts of economic policy. Women's labor is often undercounted or completely ignored in traditional measures like GDP. The costs and benefits of policies are never equally borne by all groups in society. If our recovery plans do not consider unpaid labor from women, as well as distributional concerns, we risk making women worse off. We also give up a unique opportunity to leverage women's economic output and increase benefits to women - and ultimately, broader society.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo,

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From:

mykie ozoa <meozoa@gmail.com> Wednesday, June 17, 2020 11:46 AM

2020 JUN 17 AM 11: 52

Sent: To:

County Clerk

Subject:

Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery OF THE

COMMTY CLERK

Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

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While I myself have been among the extremely fortunate, very small minority of women generally unaffected by COVID, my time over the last three months has been filled to the brim with work attempting to assist the many, many women who *have* been affected. In particular, I have spent time helping Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies and CoronaCare Hawai'i to deliver produce and frozen meals to moms and pregnant women who are struggling to afford basic necessities like food. Most troubling, I have also been organizing with AF3IRM Hawai'i to provide basic necessities like food, medication, housing and shelter, maternity clothing, and basic technology like prepaid cell phones to sex workers and sex trade survivors. The women we are assisting are either 1) previously sex trafficked women who have exited the commercial sex industry but are feeling pressured to re-enter because of financial struggles caused by COVID or 2) women who rely solely on prostitution for income and have had to make the decision to risk COVID infection by prostituting during the pandemic or risk starvation, houselessness, and financial insecurity.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo.

Mykie E. Menor Ozoa, J.D.

From:

Catherine Ritti <catherine.ritti@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 6:12 PM

To:

County Clerk

Subject:

2020 JUN 18 AM 8: 08 Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

I am writing to present this testimony in strong support of CC 20-329, which would establish the Maui County Council's support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19. This measure specifically acknowledges the impact that the COVID-19 crisis has had on women and how it has exacerbated gender inequality, which was evident prior to the crisis.

Because a large percent of women work in service jobs, they have been hit hard by this crisis. They have also been expected to take on more tasks at home. Some women have been in greater physical danger because they have been forced to quarantine with abusers. If the state does not consider the ways that women have uniquely impacted, then the recovery will not be very successful and will leave so many women behind.

As an educator, I'm in an industry that is predominately made up of women. I have witnessed my colleagues with young children struggle to meet the needs of their students through distance learning while also taking care of their own children and households at the same time. Furthermore, we continue to care for and educate Hawaii's children while worrying that the state will look to balance the budget on the backs of its majority female teaching force by cutting our already inadequate salaries.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo,

Catherine Ritti

From:

Jordyn Saito <jsaito@soka.edu> Thursday, June 18, 2020 1:30 AM

Sent: To:

County Clerk

Subject:

Testimony in Support of CC 20-329/Feminist Recovery Program

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2020 JUN 18 AM 8: 08



Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

Please consider this message as my testament in **strong support** of CC20-329, which would establish the Maui County Councils's support for a feminist economic recovery from covid-19. **Please pass this measure today, CC20-329 is urgently needed because the recovery is being determined now.**

This first-in-the-nation measure recognizes the disproportionate impact of economic and social turmoil caused by the covid-19 crisis on women, and resolves to counteract gender inequality through the recovery process.

Due to existing gender norms and inequalities, COVID-19 has affected women's physical safety and financial security around the world and here at home. A recovery plan that is not explicitly feminist will likely perpetuate inequalities, as observed during the Great recession of 2008.

My cousin and her child have had to flee from domestic violence from someone she met from the military. This is not the first time this has happened in my family. Now her job is at risk because of our over dependence on tourism, and if she cannot find work I fear for her and my nephew. She should not have to be suffering in this way. She deserves a living wage and financial dependence not based on tourism or men from the military.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the oppurtunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo,

Jordyn

Chris Salem 5100 Lower Honoapiilani Road Lahaina, HI 96761

August 10, 2018

County of Maui Development Services Administration Engineering Division 250 South High Street Wailuku, HI 96793

Attention:

Lesli L. Otani, P.E., L.S.

Nolly Yagin - Supervising Traffic Engineer

Re: Request for Public Records

Dear Ms. Otani & Mr. Yagin;

This letter is in regards to our continuing community efforts to establish a safe and sensitive roadway infrastructure plan for Lower Honoapiilani Road in West Maui. The narrow and dangerous roadway is congested with tour buses, vulnerable pedestrians, and cyclists dodging one another both day and night. As seen on the attached photo, side street dirt beach parking has made the unsafe conditions in the Napili area almost intolerable.

To illuminate our concerns and call for immediate action by the County of Maui, a vehicular fatality has just occurred along Lower Road. A sad and disturbing floral memorial is draped above the concrete railing of the narrow bridge where the death occurred. With over a million dollars spent by the County of Maui over the last two decades on infrastructure engineering plans, environmental studies, and agency approvals which included the proposed replacement of this very same unsafe bridge, the Lower Road remains a target of liability for the County of Maui.

As you are aware, the main reason this County roadway project has not been completed is the County's failure to acquire the necessary land rights from property owners to allow for the road widening. The history of this disjointed and wasteful roadway plan process raises many questions;

- Why would the County spend over a million dollars on a roadway infrastructure project they don't have the land rights to complete?
- Shouldn't acquiring the necessary property to allow for the proposed road widening be one first steps after the initial design is publicly approved?

Another contributing cause to the County's dangerous and wasteful roadway infrastructure planning process is the manner which the Department of Public Works has been taking citizens land along their property frontages when small subdivisions are approved. Up and down Lower Honoapiilani Road the County of Maui has created a disjointed mess of partial road widening improvements leading to hazardous roadway narrowing.

The purpose and intent of this letter and request for public information, is to understand why small subdivisions are being conditioned by the Department of Public Works and Engineering Division with different and inconsistent roadway right of way width designations? Our research finds Title 18 is very clear on the adopted definitions and designation for adopted roadway widths as follows;

- Collector Streets 56' in Urban Areas / 50' in Rural / 48' in Agricultural
- Minor Streets 44" in Urban Areas / 40 in Rural / 40' in Agricultural

Chris Salem 5100 Lower Honoapiilani Road Lahaina, HI 96761

Title 18.04.430 – "Street Minor" means a street intended exclusively for access to abutting property. Title 18.04.400 – "Collector Street" means any street supplementary to the arterial street system which is a means for intercommunication between arterial and smaller areas, used to some extent for through traffic and some extent to access abutting properties.

Reasonable minds would conclude that Lower Honoapiilani Road is not by definition a Minor Street. Lower Road is not "exclusively" for access to abutting properties. Tour buses and vehicular traffic travel daily to major hotels, resorts, and arterial street systems.

That being said, this letter is a request for specific section of the Maui County Code which supports the recent Preliminary Subdivision Approval for File No. 4.996 located on Lower Honoapiilani Road which is now conditioned by your Department for a 44' "Minor Street" designation. The reason this request for public records is being issued to your Department is the findings related to prior roadway designations conditioned upon subdivisions along the same section of Lower Honoapiilani Road.

Subdivision File # 4.941 48' Right of Way Width Designation

Subdivision File # 4.964 - 56' Right of Way Width Designation

Subdivision File # 4.921 - 56' Right of Way Width Designation

It is important to note the fact that developments along Lower Honoapiilani Road have been conditioned for roadway infrastructure frontage improvements with similar shifting right of way designations wherein the improvements such as curb, gutter, and sidewalk, have already been installed. Consequently, these costly disjointed roadway improvements will need to be torn out and replaced at the public expense when the County of Maui finally improves this unsafe County roadway.

In closing, this public record request is being issued to your authority as a representative of the Engineering Division and Subdivision Section of the County of Maui Development Services Administration. As a licensed professional engineer employed by the County of Maui, the designation of roadway right of way width in accordance with the adopted ordinances falls under your purview and responsibilities.

Respectfully, while David Goode is the current Director of Public Works, this record request requires a response within 10 days directly from the division and licensed engineers who impose and condition the roadway right of way designation(s). As such, esponse to this request for public records from Director Goode is inappropriate.

Sincerely;

Christopher Salem

Maui County Council Council Member Elle Cochran

Chair of Infrastructure and Environmental Management

Council Member Donald Guzman

Vice Chair of Infrastructure and Environmental Management

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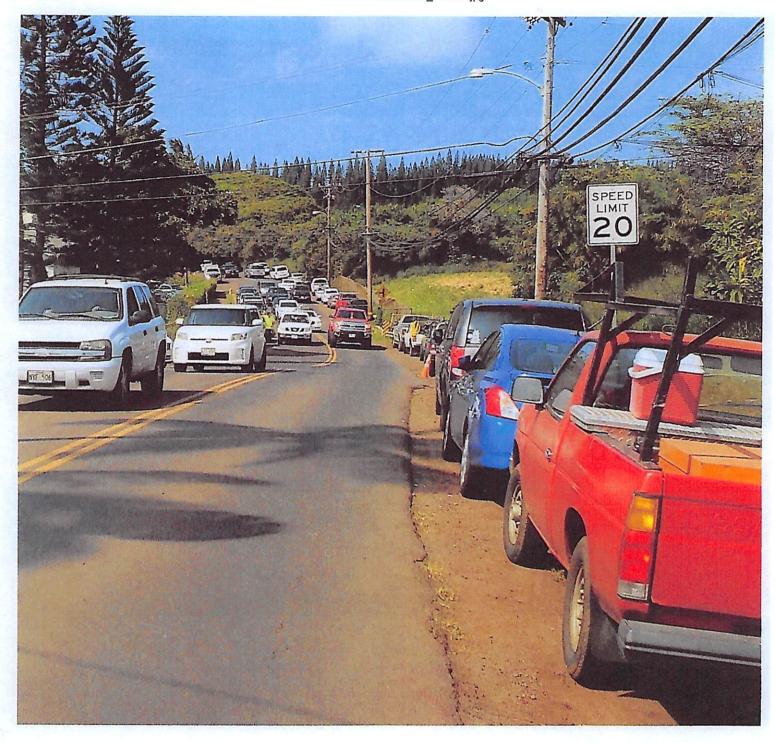
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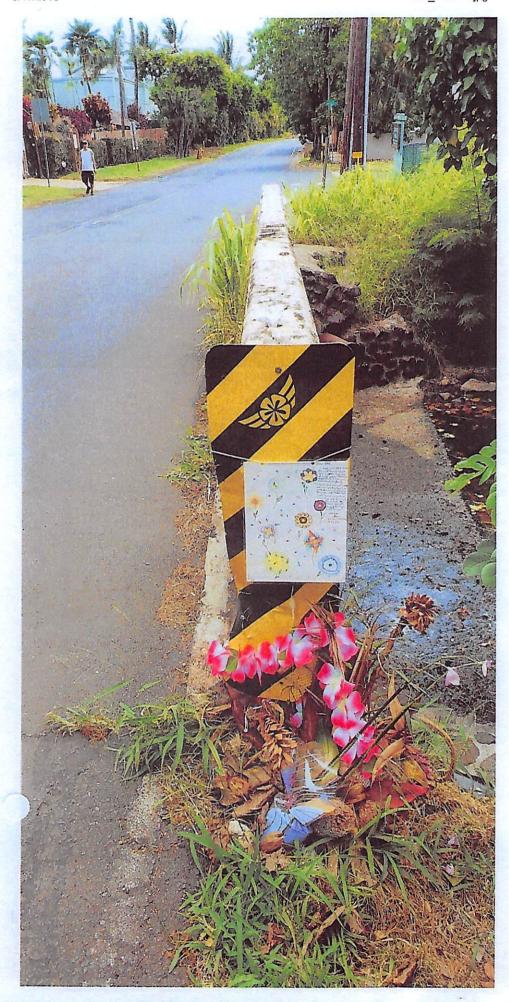
- Napili Roadway Parking
- Kahana Bridge Memorial
- Concrete Walls for Subdivision with 48' Right of Way Designation

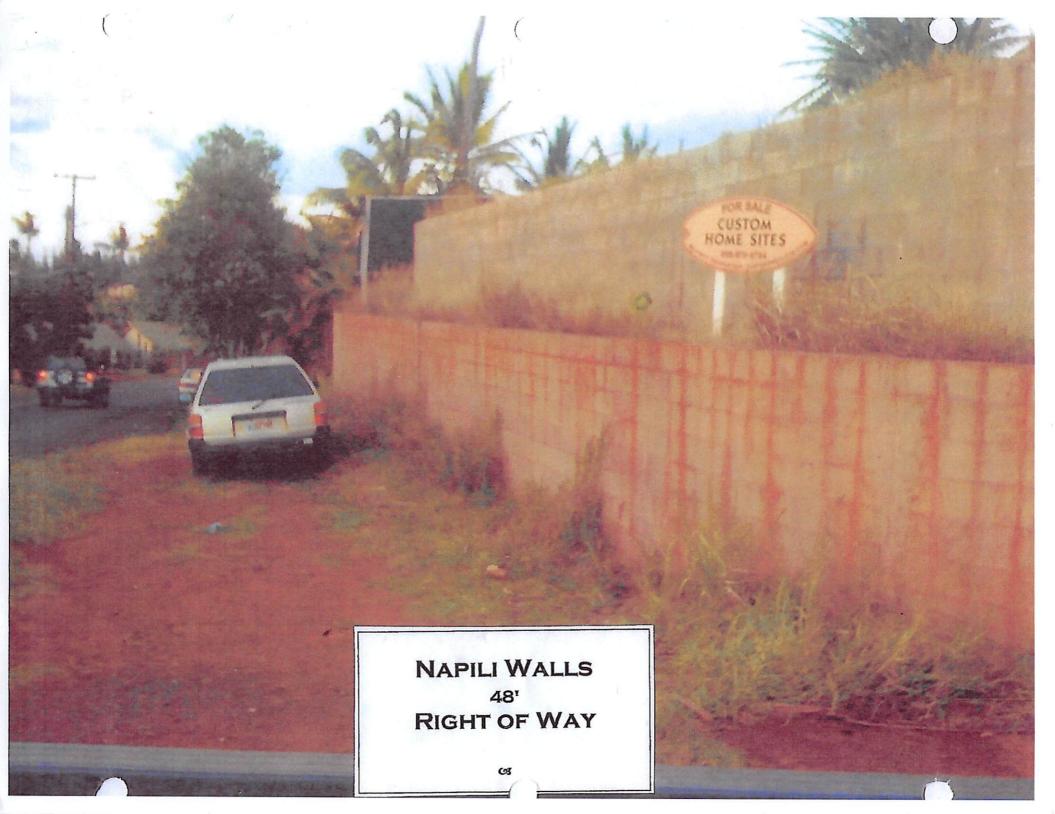
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Attachments

- 1. Napili Roadway Parking
- 2. Kahana Bridge Memorial
- 3. Concrete Walls for Subdivision







From: Sent:

To:

Leah Santos <leahmsantos@gmail.com>

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 2:47 PM

County Clerk

Subject:

SUPPORT of CC 20-329

2020 JUN 17 PM 2: 49

OFFIDE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

Re: Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members of Maui County Council:

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Due to existing gender norms and inequities, COVID-19 has affected women's physical safety and financial security around the world and here at home. A recovery plan that is not explicitly feminist will likely perpetuate inequalities, as observed during the Great Recession of 2008.

We are at a pivotal time in our history. This is a time to restructure ourselves and our futures to focus on a recovery from this crisis that can truly support equity. We have an opportunity to proactively move forward and to push our communities forward by supporting a recovery plan that focuses on showing respect for women. Having just left a job after a repetitive experience with wage inequality, I can tell you for a fact that this issue affects women on Maui. Women are historically relied upon to get the job done, regardless of fair compensation, equal recognition, and often alongside a multitude of familial responsibilities. We cannot afford to continue to overlook oppressive trends. We need to act consciously from here forward. We need to help upright our mistakes, correct a previously carved path of gender disparity, and be the change we wish to see. We are all conscious of the inequalities that are ravaging this county, and this island, so any legislation that can help to instill hope for our keiki, our wahine, and our lāhui, is worth fighting for.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as a guiding light to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo for your time,

Leah Santos

Leah Santos

2020 JUN 17 PM 12: 57

June 17, 2020

Re: Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery UNITY CLERK

Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

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My neighborhood has many homeless people living in bushes and the nearby forest. One homeless couple live in bushes near our home. Not for the first time, the man assaulted the woman, who was then treated in front of our home by medics and police. After the police left, she returned to the same bushes. This scenario has been repeated many times over in our community. Women need stronger support through meaningful legislation.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo nui loa,

Norma Jean Stodden

From:

Diliaur Tellei <diliaur@gmail.com>

Sent:

Friday, June 19, 2020 10:30 AM

To:

County Clerk

Subject:

Testimony in SUPPORT of CC20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

Aloha Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez, and Honorable Members:

I'm writing in strong support for CC20-329. This would establish the Maui County Council's support for a feminist economic recovery from COVID-19. Please pass this measure today. This is urgent because COVID-19 recovery plans are being determined as I write.

COVID-19 has had a disproportionate effect on women and children, from the stay-at-home order endangering those living in abusive home situations (see the tragic case of the double homicide of a woman and her child in Ewa Beach, Oahu, in March). Thus implementing a recovery plan which makes up for those oversights is of the utmost importance. CC20-329 would ensure that the the most vulnerable in this time of global pandemic are taken care of.

As a woman, I know all too well how precarious our situation is in a society which won't look out for us. It's time to change that, and you can have a hand in it by passing CC20-329.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Diliaur Tellei





2020 JUN 18 AM 8: 09

COUNTY CLERK

College of Health and Society

The Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair

The Honorable Keani N.W. Rawlins-Fernandez, Vice Chair

From:

To:

Halaevalu Vakalahi, Professor & Dean

Hawai'i Pacific University, College of Health & Society

Date:

June 19, 2020

Time:

9:00am

Re:

PAF 20-170 SUPPORTING AND URGING THE MAYOR TO SUPPORT A

FEMINIST ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN FOR COVID-19

Position:

Strong Support

With deepest of gratitude I speak a few of the names of our phenomenal women ancestors—Queen Emma, Queen Kapi'olani, Queen Lili'uokalani, Queen Salote, Queen Salamasina, feminists who navigated multiple pathways during tumultuous times for contemporary women like myself to have a voice and a seat at the table. Honorable Keani Rawlins-Fernandez, I also speak your name in gratitude for your courage to speak your truth, to carry on your kuleana, and the masterful construction of this resolution for equity and inclusion of Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI) women, which outcomes will impact generations.

My name is Halaevalu Vakalahi, a Pacific Islander woman, Professor and the Dean of the College of Health & Society at Hawai'i Pacific University. I submit this testimony in **strong support of PAF 20-170**, a call to action for a **Feminist Economic Recovery Plan for COVID-19**, which has major implications for NHPI women whose lived experiences reflect the intersection of race and gender, yet bestowed with the sacred kuleana as agents for socialization of families and communities and who will no doubt bear the burden of the socio-economic and physical aftermath of this pandemic. This resolution will indeed facilitate the creation of a comprehensive and sustainable response requiring all stakeholders to be at the table including institutions of higher education. NHPI women academics are ready to partner on a comprehensive recovery plan for COVID-19.

As Dean, I have kuleana over 3 disciplines of Nursing, Public Health, and Social Work, all fully accredited programs focused collectively on physical health, mental health, and community health. Women from diverse backgrounds represents the majority of our faculty and students in the College; however, unfortunately, NHPI are still grossly underrepresented. This is an opportunity to increase representation in the healthcare workforce, among other areas, through investing resources to increase capacity and create pipelines and pathways for education and career advancement, and more importantly develop local NHPI women as healthcare leaders. A feminist economic recovery plan for COVID-19

will leverage the talents, skills, and knowledge of NHPI women who bring to the table rich lived experiences, advanced educational achievements, indigenous knowledge, specialized skills and expertise, connections and relationships, and who intimately know the pulse of the community.

With the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment granting women the right to vote, the racial uprising across the globe and demand for dismantling of structural racism, current political events, and an epidemic with an uncertain future, we do not take this opportunity for granted, and are fully committed to all hands on deck on a feminist economic recovery plan for COVID-19. Again, thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony in strong support of PAF 20-170.

From:

Noelle Besa Wright <ebesawright@gmail.com>

Sent:

Thursday, June 18, 2020 7:51 AM

To:

County Clerk

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Subject:

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Re: Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

2020 JUN 18 AM 8: 09

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I am a woman of immigrant Filipino parents. During this pandemic, I have witnessed those in my community struggle to simultaneously work and educate their children at the same time - the struggle is harder for the single mothers I know. They were always expected to work and maintain the home, but with children home 24 hours, the burden has ballooned. Women in my community have also been laid off from their jobs as our economy continues to focus its efforts on the unsustainable tourism industry. Other women I know have been forced into isolation with their abusers.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo,

Noelle Wright

Email: ebesawright@gmail.com Phone: (661) 993-9694

LinkedIn.

From:

Esme Yokooji <eyokooji@hawaii.edu>

Sent:

Thursday, June 18, 2020 8:52 AM

To: Subject: County Clerk

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Re: Testimony IN SUPPORT of CC 20-329/Feminist Economic Recovery

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Dear Chair Alice Lee, Vice Chair Keani Rawlins-Fernandez and Honorable Members:

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I am an indigenous woman of color and a survivor of sexual assault. The pandemic has severely impacted my ability to live independently and safely. Due to the pandemic my hours were cut, which made it impossible to sustain a living wage and therefore afford housing. I was forced to move back to my family home, which is also where I was sexually assaulted. Living where I was sexually assaulted has brought on a resurgence of my ptsd symptoms, which makes day to day life very difficult. To be clear, I am privileged in the sense that I still have a job, housing, and am not actively being beaten. Many women, many families, in Hawaii cannot say the same. I am in strong support of the feminist recovery plan precisely because it prioritizes the safety and well-being of the most vulnerable members of our society.

This measure is an important commitment to women's equality that will serve as guide to the county, state, and nation. Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of CC 20-329.

Mahalo,

Esme Yokooji