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Testimony of SUZANNE D. CASE Chairperson

Before the Senate Committee on WAYS AND MEANS

Thursday, July 2, 2020 10:15AM State Capitol Auditorium

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In consideration of

HOUSE BILL 1928, HOUSE DRAFT 1, SENATE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

House Bill 1928, House Draft 1, Senate Draft 1 proposes to establish the Pulehunui Community Development Authority on the Island of Maui as an autonomous community development authority under the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) for the purposes of developing the Pulehunui community development district. The measure also proposes to authorize the HCDA to obtain various forms of financial aid from the federal government for projects for the authority, and prohibit a county ordinance or county rule from requiring a developer of a multi-residential dwelling unit development to obtain the approval of any State agency, unless required under State law. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this measure.

The proposed Pulehunui community development district would include the parcel that serves as the project site for the Department's proposed industrial and business park. The Department desires to develop an approximately 280-acre portion of the property identified as Tax Map Key (2) 3-8-008:001 for a light industrial and business park. The Department intends to lease a variety of small, medium and large lots to private lessees for the purpose of generating income to support the Department's resource protection programs. This project will also require the provision of necessary infrastructure, including water and wastewater systems. The Department has been working with other State and county agencies in order to address these issues. This measure would provide a significant financial opportunity to successfully provide the necessary infrastructure to not only the Department's project, but other proposed State and County projects in the immediate vicinity.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

SUZANNE D. CASE

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July 1, 2020

TO: The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Alice L. I

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SUBJECT: HEARING OF JULY 2, 2020; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB1928, HD1,

SD1 RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT DISTICTS

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **support** of this important measure. The purpose of this measure is to create a development district that will provide an integrated experience of housing, education, and commercial facilities

The Maui County Council has not had the opportunity to take a formal position on this measure. Therefore, I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I support this measure for the following reasons:

- 1. This measure would help support the development of much-needed housing units in Maui County.
- 2. This measure would help ensure skilled employees stay in Maui County, providing economic and social benefits to the community, instead of leaving because of a lack of housing options.

For the foregoing reasons, I **support** this measure.

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Honorable Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair
Honorable Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair
Honorable Senate Members of the Ways and Means Committee

June 30, 2020

RE: H.B. 1928 HD1 SD1 RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Pane Meatoga III and I am the Community Liaison representing the Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund (HOEISF). We are a labor management fund representing 4000 unionized members in the heavy engineering site work and 500 general contractors. We are in strong support of HB 1928 HD1 SD1 Relating to Development District. We support both parts one and two with one friendly amendment.

These opportunities are more important than ever as the State looks for imminent solutions to the economic downturn brought on by COVID-19. I echo the testimony of the State's Departments of Hawaiian Homelands and Land and Natural Resources, and the County of Maui that this bill is good for State and County projects. It is also good for private businesses, construction trade unions, and in turn for the people of Hawaii, especially the residents of Maui.

To make this bill more comprehensible, I respectfully propose that in Part II, section (g), p. 21, lines 8 and 12, that "multi-residential dwelling unit development" be amended to "development with more than one residential unit". So section (g) would read:

(g) no county ordinance or county rule shall require the developer of a multi-family dwelling unit development with more than one residential unit to obtain the approval of any state agency unless that approval is expressly required under state law. Any county ordinance or county rule in conflict with this subsection shall be void with respect to any multi-residential dwelling unit such development.

Sincerely,

Pane Meatoga III

Community Liaison, Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund



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Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

The Hawaii Laborers' Union; Local 368 and its over 5,000 working and retired men and women across the **State of Hawaii support HB1928 SD1 as well as Parts I and II**, because it will provide both the State and the County of Maui with significant opportunities in the form of economic benefits and job creation.

These opportunities are more important than ever as the State looks for imminent solutions to the economic downturn brought on by COVID-19. This project good for private businesses, construction trade unions, and in turn for the people of Hawaii, especially the residents of Maui.

We respectfully request a change in language be made to Part II, section (g), p. 21, lines 8 and 12, that "multi-residential dwelling unit development" be amended to "development with more than one residential unit".

See below:

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Thank you very much for the opportunity to testify.

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Hawaiʻi Construction Alliance

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July 2, 2020

The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair The Honorable Keith Agaran, Vice Chair and members Senate Committee on Ways and Means 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

RE: SUPPORT for HB1928, SD1 RELATING TO TAXATION OF REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS

Dear Chair McKelvey, Vice Chair Kitagawa, and members:

The Hawai'i Construction Alliance is comprised of the Hawai'i Regional Council of Carpenters; the Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 368; the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' Union, Local 630; International Union of Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers, Local 1; and the Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3. Together, the member unions of the Hawai'i Construction Alliance represent 15,000 working men and women in the basic crafts of Hawai'i's construction industry.

We are in strong support of HB1928, SD1 because it will provide both the State and the County of Maui with significant opportunities in the form of economic benefits and job creation.

These opportunities are more important than ever as the State looks for imminent solutions to the economic downturn brought on by COVID-19. We echo the testimony of the State's Departments of Hawaiian Homelands and Land and Natural Resources, and the County of Maui that this bill is good for State and County projects. It is also good for private businesses, construction trade unions, and in turn for the people of Hawaii, especially the residents of Maui.

To make this bill more comprehensible, we respectfully propose that in Part II, section (g), p. 21, lines 8 and 12, that "multi-residential dwelling unit development" be amended to "development with more than one residential unit".

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Therefore we respectfully ask for your support to pass HB1928, SD1.

Mahalo,

Nathaniel Kinney Executive Director

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Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

My name is William G. Greig. I am writing in strong support of HB1928, SD1. As a resident and business agent for the on Maui, I support this bill, both Parts I and II, with one friendly amendment, because it will provide both the State and the County of Maui with significant opportunities in the form of economic benefits and job creation.

These opportunities are more important than ever as the State looks for imminent solutions to the economic downturn brought on by COVID-19. I echo the testimony of the State's Departments of Hawaiian Homelands and Land and Natural Resources, and the County of Maui that this bill is good for State and County projects. It is also good for private businesses, construction trade unions, and in turn for the people of Hawaii, especially the residents of Maui.

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Thank you.

William G. Greig



June 30, 2020

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Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

I am writing in strong support of HB1928, SD1. As a resident and business owner on Maui, I support this bill, both Parts I and II, with one friendly amendment, because it will provide both the State and the County of Maui with significant opportunities in the form of economic benefits and job creation.

These opportunities are more important than ever as the State looks for imminent solutions to the economic downturn brought on by COVID-19. I echo the testimony of the State's Departments of Hawaiian Homelands and Land and Natural Resources, and the County of Maui that this bill is good for State and County projects. It is also good for private businesses, construction trade unions, and in turn for the people of Hawaii, especially the residents of Maui.

To make this bill clearer, I respectfully suggest that in Part II, section (g), p. 21, lines 8 and 12, that "multi-residential dwelling unit development" be amended to "development with more than one residential unit". So section (g) would read:

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Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,

Everett Dowling

President



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Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

My name is Bruce U'u. I am writing in strong support of HB1928, SD1. As a resident and business agent for the on Maui, I support this bill, both Parts I and II, with one friendly amendment, because it will provide both the State and the County of Maui with significant opportunities in the form of economic benefits and job creation.

These opportunities are more important than ever as the State looks for imminent solutions to the economic downturn brought on by COVID-19. I echo the testimony of the State's Departments of Hawaiian Homelands and Land and Natural Resources, and the County of Maui that this bill is good for State and County projects. It is also good for private businesses, construction trade unions, and in turn for the people of Hawaii, especially the residents of Maui.

To make this bill more comprehensible, I respectfully propose that in Part II, section (g), p. 21, lines 8 and 12, that "multi-residential dwelling unit development" be amended to "development with more than one residential unit". So section (g) would read:

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Thank you.

Bruce U'u

Maui Field Representative

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Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

My name is Edward Brown and I am the Divisional President of Goodfellow Bros. I am writing in strong support of HB1928, SD1. As a business agent overseeing all the responsibilities for the County of Maui I support this bill, both Parts I and II, with one friendly amendment, because it will provide both the State and the County of Maui with significant opportunities in the form of economic benefits and job creation.

These opportunities are more important than ever as the State looks for imminent solutions to the economic downturn brought on by COVID-19. I echo the testimony of the State's Departments of Hawaiian Homelands and Land and Natural Resources, and the County of Maui that this bill is good for State and County projects. It is also good for private businesses, construction trade unions, and in turn for the people of Hawaii, especially the residents of Maui.

To make this bill clearer, I respectfully suggest that in Part II, section (g), p. 21, lines 8 and 12, that "multi-residential dwelling unit development" be amended to "development with more than one residential unit". So section (g) would read:

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Thank you.

Edward Brown

Divisional President Hawaii



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Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

My name is Micah A. Kāne, CEO of the Hawai'i Community Foundation. Please accept my testimony in support of HB1928, HD1, SD1 related to development districts.

The Island of Maui is facing a situation where very modest historic personal income growth, coupled with an accelerated cost of living will have a direct impact on future economic growth and opportunity for local families. Data confirms that rather than finding upward mobility on island, Maui families are choosing to depart to survive. Maui's population demographic highlights that it is the only island where the percentage of local residents has been at or below 50 percent of its total population between 2006-2017. No other island has hit that threshold.

The intent of HB1928, HD1, SD1 will help to turn the tide of this unfortunate trend. The broad support of this bill from the Maui constituency is also a strong influence of our support and appreciate their voice in the process.

Now more than ever, policy that compliments expediting economic opportunity, while eliminating housing and income inequities in our state should be considered.

Mālama for the opportunity to testify.

Best,

Micah A. Kāne CEO & President

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July 1, 2020

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB1928, SD1 Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

I am a resident of Kahului, Maui and I support this bill along with the proposed amendment. As a future beneficiary of the Hawaii Employee Retirement System (ERS) I am concerned about the underfunded status of the pension program. Opportunities such as the Pulehunui Community Development District enable that state to put underutilized assets to work to create economic growth and tax revenues to support the ERS.

I join the State's Departments of Hawaiian Homelands and Land and Natural Resources, and the County of Maui in stating that this bill is good for State and the County of Maui. It is also good for private businesses, construction trade unions, and in turn for the people of Hawaii, especially the residents of Maui. Government investment alone is insufficient in generating the jobs and economic growth that our State needs therefore I support the proposed amendment.

To make this bill clearer, I respectfully suggest that in Part II, section (g), p. 21, lines 8 and 12, that "multi-residential dwelling unit development" be amended to "development with more than one residential unit". So section (g) would read:

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Thank you for your consideration.

Aloha,

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Dear Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

My name is Brian Ige and I am a resident of Wailuku, Maui. I am writing in support of HB1928, SD1. As a resident on Maui, I support this bill, both Parts I and II, with one suggested amendment, because it will provide both the State and the County of Maui with significant opportunities in the form of economic benefits and job creation.

These opportunities are more important than ever as the State looks for imminent solutions to the economic downturn brought on by COVID-19. This bill is good for private businesses, the construction industry and associated trade unions, and in turn for the people of Hawaii, especially the residents of Maui.

To make this bill clearer, I respectfully suggest that in Part II, section (g), p. 21, lines 8 and 12, that "multi-residential dwelling unit development" be amended to "development with more than one residential unit". So section (g) would read:

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Keli Wada 64 Hoku Puhipaka Street Kahului, Hawaii 96732

July 1, 2020

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB1928, SD1 Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

As a resident of Kahului, Maui I support HD1928, SD1 and the proposed amendment. As a future beneficiary of the Hawaii Employee Retirement System (ERS) I am concerned about the underfunded status of the pension program. Opportunities such as the Pulehunui Community Development District enable that state to put underutilized land to productive use to create jobs and tax revenues to support the ERS.

This bill is good for departments of the state government such as DHHL and DLNR and private businesses. As a result of COVID-19 we need you as legislators to pass bills that facilitate job and economic growth that our state needs therefore I support the proposed amendment.

I respectfully suggest that in Part II, section (g), p. 21, lines 8 and 12, that "multi-residential dwelling unit development" be amended to "development with more than one residential unit". So section (g) would read:

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Kelilloda

Kelii Gomez 31 Hoku Puhipaka Street Kahului, Hawaii 96732

July 1, 2020

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I support this bill with the suggested amendment because it will provide the County of Maui with significant opportunities for economic benefits and job creation.

As a future beneficiary of the ERS I feel that the Pulehunui Community Development District is more important than ever as the State looks for solutions to the economic downturn brought on by COVID-19. I join the State's Departments of Hawaiian Homelands and Land and Natural Resources, the County of Maui, and the construction industry in supporting this bill.

Thank you for your public service.

Mahalo,

Darren K. Okimoto 68 Awela Circle #2703 Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

July 1, 2020

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB1928, SD1
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Good morning Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

As a resident of Wailuku and a licensed professional engineer and land surveyor, I am writing in strong support of HB1928, SD1. I support this bill, both Parts I and II, with one amendment. I respectfully suggest that in Part II, section (g), p. 21, lines 8 and 12, that "multi-residential dwelling unit development" be amended to "development with more than one residential unit". So section (g) would read:

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Given the economic mayhem that COVID-19 has caused to Hawaii's economy the importance of private and public sector cooperation is more important than ever. I echo the testimony of the State's Departments of Hawaiian Homelands and Land and Natural Resources, and the County of Maui that this bill is good for the residents of Hawaii.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,

Darren K. Okimoto, P.E., L.S.