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TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM J. AILA, JR, CHAIRMAN
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BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
HEARING ON APRIL 7, 2021 AT 9:45AM VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

HB 774, SD1, RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

April 7, 2021

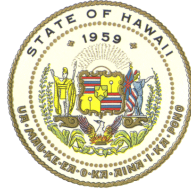
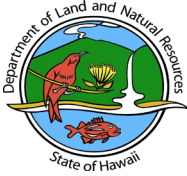
Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill 774, SD1. This bill establishes the Pulehunui community development authority as an autonomous community development authority under the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) for the purposes of developing the Pulehunui community development district and authorizes the HCDA to obtain various forms of federal funding for construction, maintenance, and development projects in the Pulehunui community development district.

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) has been leading an effort to develop a regional infrastructure master plan to serve certain State lands in Pulehunui in a manner that is financially and environmentally efficient, maximizing the use of State funds while minimizing environmental impacts to the extent practicable. The Pulehunui community development district proposed in this bill does not include the parcels DHHL owns in Pulehunui, but are adjacent to DHHL lands. DHHL supports any effort toward obtaining funds to develop in this area.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony.

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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on
WAYS AND MEANS**

**Wednesday, April 7, 2021
9:45 AM**

State Capitol, Via Videoconference, Conference Room 211

**In consideration of
HOUSE BILL 774, HOUSE DRAFT 1, SENATE DRAFT 1
RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS**

House Bill 774, House Draft 1, Senate Draft 1 proposes to establish the Pulehunui Community Development Authority 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 federal funding for construction, maintenance, and development projects in the Pulehunui community development district. **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.

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**Statement of
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before the**

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

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**HB 774, HD1, SD1
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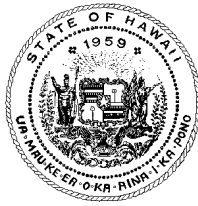
Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committee. The Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) **strongly supports HB 774 HD1, SD1** that establishes the Pulehunui community development district, and an autonomous community development authority, administratively attached to the HCDA, to facilitate the development and improvement of Pulehunui public lands.

The HCDA has considerable experience in implementing infrastructure improvements and facilitating development and welcomes the opportunity to use its development expertise in facilitating development and improvement in Pulehunui.

As HCDA continues its mission to join the strengths of private enterprise, public development and regulation into a new form capable of long-range planning and implementation of improved community development, we thank the legislature and community for its guidance and support.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide our **strong support** for this measure.

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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 774, HOUSE DRAFT 1, SENATE DRAFT 1
RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS.

by

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Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair

April 7, 2021; 9:45 a.m.
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Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) supports House Bill (HB) 774, House Draft (HD) 1, Senate Draft (SD) 1, which seeks to establish an autonomous Pulehunui Community Development Authority under the auspices of the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) to marshal the development and improvement of Pulehunui public lands, and which would authorize the HCDA to obtain various forms of financial aid from the federal government for projects of the authority.

PSD believes that the formation of the Pulehunui Community Development Authority under the HCDA, fostering collaboration with the federal government through financial aid and loan would provide important assistance in developing the currently underutilized Pulehunui district.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.