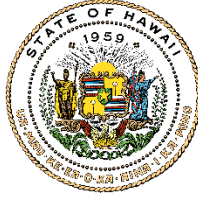


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**Testimony of  
DAWN N. S. CHANG  
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on  
WATER & LAND**

**Tuesday, March 19, 2024  
9:30 AM**

**State Capitol, Conference Room 430 & Videoconference**

**In consideration of  
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 8  
APPROVING THE DEDICATION OF KUKUIA STREET, LAHAINA, HAWAII, TO  
THE COUNTY OF MAUI**

House Concurrent Resolution 8 would approve the dedication of Kukuia Street, located in Lahaina, to the County of Maui. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this resolution.**

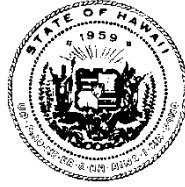
The Department conveyed the subject parcel to the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation's (HHFDC) predecessor agency, the Housing Finance Development Corporation (HFDC) via Land Patent Grant No. S-15,792, dated November 4, 1994. This grant conveyed over 500 acres to HFDC for development of the Villages at Leali'i housing project in Lahaina. As the land was undeveloped at the time of the transfer to HFDC, infrastructure, including streets, needed to be built prior to developing housing. Because HHFDC is not in the business of maintaining streets, it generally dedicates those it builds to the respective county upon completion of construction.

Dedication of roads to a county represents a conveyance of lands from the Department's inventory and as such is subject to section 171-64.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which requires the approval by the legislature by concurrent resolution to be adopted by each house by at least a two-thirds majority vote. The Department supports the dedication of Kukuia Street to the County of Maui.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

JOSH GREEN, M.D.  
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DEAN MINAKAMI  
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## STATE OF HAWAII

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### Statement of **DEAN MINAKAMI**

Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation  
Before the

### **HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER & LAND**

Tuesday, March 19, 2024  
State Capitol, Room 430

In consideration of  
**HCR 8**

### **APPROVING THE DEDICATION OF KUKUIA STREET, LAHAINA, HAWAII, TO THE COUNTY OF MAUI.**

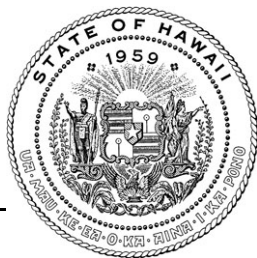
Chair Ichiyama, Vice Chair Poepoe, and members of the Committee.

HHFDC **strongly supports** HCR 8. HHFDC is seeking legislative approval to dedicate the fee-simple interest in Kukuia Street, Lahaina, to the County of Maui. Kukuia Street serves the Kaiaulu O Kukuia affordable rental housing project and a portion of the Villages of Leialii.

A title search conducted by Title Guaranty of Hawaii on January 20, 2022, showed that the parcel was Government (Crown) land previous to August 15, 1895. HHFDC conducted a public meeting on the proposed dedication on August 24, 2022, at the Lahaina Civic Center, following publication of notice in The Maui News on August 18, 2022. HHFDC did not receive any comments opposing the dedication of Kukuia Street roadway to the County of Maui.

HHFDC has worked closely with the Office of Hawaiian Affairs during the interim to keep it informed of these findings and our intent to dedicate this parcel to the County of Maui.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



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Statement of  
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Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism  
before the  
**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER & LAND**

Tuesday, March 19, 2024  
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In consideration of  
**HCR 8**  
**APPROVING THE DEDICATION OF KUKUIA STREET, LAHAINA, HAWAII, TO THE  
COUNTY OF MAUI.**

Chair Ichiyama, Vice Chair Poepoe, and members of the Committee. The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) **supports** HCR 8. HHFDC is seeking legislative approval to dedicate Kukuia Street to the County of Maui.

HHFDC has met all statutory prerequisites to request approval of the sale or dedication of this parcel. Accordingly, DBEDT respectfully requests that the committee pass HCR 8.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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March 18, 2024

TO: Honorable Chair Linda Ichiyama, Vice-Chair Mahina Poepoe, and members of the Committee on Water and Land

FROM: Tamara Paltin  
Maui County Councilmember

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF H.C.R. 8, APPROVING THE DEDICATION OF KUKUIA STREET, LAHAINA TO THE COUNTY OF MAUI**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this resolution. The purpose of this resolution is to seek approval of the dedication of Kukuia Street in Lahaina to the County of Maui.

I **SUPPORT** the resolution for the following reasons:

1. The tragic events of August 8, 2023, emphasized one of my community's greatest vulnerabilities-lack of roadway access. In Lahaina, we are still navigating limited roadways and the resulting heavy traffic on a daily basis. This new dedicated roadway will provide the opportunity to prevent traffic from worsening as new, desperately needed housing comes online.
2. This roadway will serve the Kaiaulu o Kukuia affordable rental and a portion of the Villages of Leialii projects in Lahaina, Maui.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tamara A. M. Paltin".

TAMARA PALTIN  
Councilmember