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The Honorable Alan Arakawa, Mayor
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Subject: Discussions between the Department of Land and Natural Resources ("DLNR") to the County of Maui Regarding Respective Park Facilities and Park Areas

Aloha Mayor Arakawa:

This letter is to request your approval for staff from the Mayor's Office and from the Department of Park and Recreation, County of Maui ("MPNR") to continue discussions with staff from the Division of State Parks, DLNR ("State Parks") on the following:

- An agreement instrument such as a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") regarding the future operation and maintenance of the Maui Regional Sports Complex currently in construction by DLNR; including and not limited to a potential set-aside of this park complex to the County.
- Participation in State Parks' effort to implement management strategies affecting the management of the Iao Valley region including the County's Kepaniwai Park and Heritage Gardens managed by MPNR.

Our respective staff started initial discussions on these project items and we seek your approval and support to allow the continuation of these activities and implement project objectives that will be mutual beneficial to the County and State.

Please have appropriate staff contact Phillip Ohta, Maui District Superintendent at (808) 984-8102 or Russell Kumabe, AICP, Development Branch Chief at (808) 587-0305.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.
Chairperson

c: Department of Parks and Recreation
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