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### BEFORE THE LAND USE COMMISSION

# OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

In the Matter of the Petition	)	DOCKET NO. A94-706
	)	
of	)	THE OFFICE OF PLANNING, STATE OF
	)	HAWAI'I'S JOINDER TO PIILANI
KAONOULU RANCH	)	PROMENADE SOUTH, LLC AND PIILANI
	)	PROMENADE NORTH, LLC'S
To Amend the Agricultural Land Use District	)	MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO
Boundary into the Urban Land Use District	)	INTERVENORS' MOTION TO
for approximately 88 acres at Kaonoulu,	)	CONCLUDE CONTESTED CASE AT THE
Makawao-Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii.	)	EARLIEST PRACTICABLE TIME;
	)	
	)	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

# THE OFFICE OF PLANNING, STATE OF HAWAII'S JOINDER TO PIILANI PROMENADE SOUTH, LLC AND PIILANI PROMENADE NORTH, LLC'S MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO INTERVENORS' MOTION TO CONCLUDE CONTESTED CASE AT THE EARLIEST PRACTICABLE TIME

The OFFICE OF PLANNING, STATE OF HAWAII, by and through its Director, Jesse

K. Souki, hereby joins in Piilani Promenade South, LLC and Piilani Promenade North, LLC's

Memorandum in Opposition to Intervenors' Motion to Conclude Contested Case at the Earliest

Practicable Time.

The only question is whether the Land Use Commission (LUC) should stay the current Order to Show Cause ("OSC") hearings to give Piilani Promenade South, LLC and Piilani Promenade North, LLC ("Piilani") an opportunity to file a motion to amend. Consistent with its earlier position, the Office of Planning ("OP") supports Piilani's decision to file a motion to amend, and therefore supports the request for a stay.

OP joins in the arguments raised by Piilani, and highlights one additional issue. Intervenors Maui Tomorrow Foundation, Inc., South Maui Citizens For Responsible Growth, and Daniel Kanahele ("Intervenors") argue that OP has failed to acknowledge that the OSC proceeding is a contested case. Petitioner fails to indicate the relevance of this "admission" to whether the LUC can use its procedural discretion in matters before it. Furthermore, there is no disadvantage to the parties if a stay is granted. In this case, the petition area has not been developed and will not be developed prior to the decision on the motion to amend, which is anticipated to be filed by the end of the year. OP advocates for compliance with HRS chapter 205. Piilani's procedural request is consistent with the intent of the law, since it will allow the LUC to consider the changed project. To continue with the OSC at this juncture would be punitive and not serve the intent and purpose of HRS chapter 205, which is to "preserve, protect and encourage the development of lands in the state for those uses to which they are best suited for the public welfare[.]" <u>See</u> L. 1961, c 187, §1.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii, April 24, 2013

OFFICE OF PLANNING STATE OF HAWAI SOUKI JESSE K Director

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

KAONOULU RANCH

To Amend the Agricultural Land Use District Boundary into the Urban Land Use District for approximately 88 acres at Kaonoulu, Makawao-Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that due service of a copy of THE OFFICE OF PLANNING, STATE

OF HAWAII'S JOINDER TO PIILANI PROMENADE SOUTH, LLC AND PIILANI

PROMENADE NORTH, LLC'S MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO

INTERVENORS' MOTION TO CONCLUDE CONTESTED CASE AT THE EARLIEST

**PRACTICABLE TIME**, was made by hand-delivery or by depositing the same with the U.S.

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JESSEK, SOUK , Director Office of Planning