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# DEFORE THE LAND USE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Petition of

#### LANA'I RESORT PARTNERS

To consider further matters related to an Order To Show Cause as to whether certain land located at Manele, Lana'i, should revert to its former Agricultural and/or Rural land use classification due to Petitioner's failure to comply with Condition No. 10 of the Land Use Commission's Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision and Order filed April 16, 1991, Tax Map Key No. 4-9-002:049 (por.), formerly Tax Map Key No. 4-9-002:001 )por.)

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RESPONDENT COUNTY OF MAUI, DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING'S RESPONSE TO INTERVENORS LANA'IANS FOR SENSIBLE GROWTH'S EXCEPTIONS TO HEARING OFFICER'S RECOMMENDED FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DECISION AND ORDER DATED APRIL 18, 2017; CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

RESPONDENT COUNTY OF MAUI DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING'S RESPONSE TO INTERVENORS LANA'IANS FOR SENSIBLE GROWTH'S EXCEPTIONS TO THE HEARING OFFICER'S RECOMMENDED FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND DECISION AND ORDER DATED APRIL 18, 2017

COMES NOW, Respondent COUNTY OF MAUI, DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING ("County") by and through its attorneys, Patrick K. Wong, Corporation Counsel, Caleb P. Rowe and Michael J. Hopper, Deputies Corporation Counsel, and hereby responds to LANA'IANS FOR SENSIBLE GROWTH's ("Intervenors) exceptions to the Hearing Officer's

Recommended Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision and Order dated April 18, 2017.

The County joins in the Response to Intervenor Lana'ians for Sensible Growth's Exceptions, filed by Petitioner Lana'i Resorts, LLC on April 25, 2017. In addition, the County specifically contests the representation made by intervenors that the water being used by Petitioners for golf course irrigation "meets the County of Maui definition for potable water in the context of golf course irrigation." *Intervenor's Exceptions*, p. 2. As stated in the County's Responses and Objections to Intervenor Lana'ians for Sensible Growth's Proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Decision and Order, the Maui County Code ("MCC") provision presumably referenced by Intervenors in making this statement, Chapter 14.08, only applies to golf courses which came into operation after the effective date of the ordinance in 2009, and contains no restrictions on golf courses in operation prior to its effective date.

DATED: Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii, April 25, 2017.

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I hereby certify that on this date a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served upon the following by depositing same via email and U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid on:

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