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Daniel E. Orođenker
Executive Officer
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P.O. Box 2359
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Re: Land Use Commission Meeting – June 28, 2017 9:30 a.m.
County of Kauai Moikeha Building Conference Room 2A/2B
4444 Rice Street, Lihue, Kauai, HI 96766
Agenda Item IV: A17-802 County of Kauai Housing Agency- Lima Ola HRS 201H Project

I am informed that the County of Kauai Housing Agency has petitioned the Land Use Commission for a boundary amendment as set forth hereinabove to build the Lima Ola Workforce Housing Project (Lima Ola Project). Please accept this letter in strong support for the Lima Ola Project's boundary amendment.

The Lima Ola Project was approved by the Kauai County Council as a 100% affordable workforce/affordable housing project with five hundred fifty (550) single-family and multi-family units for individuals in the 80% to 140% median income range.

This project will address a dire need for workforce/affordable housing on Kauai and workforce/affordable housing was envisioned for this parcel in 2010 when Kauai County purchased the subject 75 acres from McBryde Sugar Company.

The requested boundary amendment from Agriculture to an Urban Land Use District is necessary in order to develop the Lima Ola Project and your anticipated approval will allow Kauai County to develop this much needed project in its attempt to address its workforce/affordable housing shortage.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Should you have any questions to the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact me at (808)586-6030.

Sincerely,

RONALD D. KOUCHI
Senate President
8th Senatorial District