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Our plan is for our 2 year 10 month old grandson, Elijah Kekeikiokekoa Koval, be able benefit from the legal, permitted “legacy” house we built (Permit number BK2016-00935, Dated 6/22/16) , once we pass. Our idea was that upon our death his father, who lives two miles from our location, would manage the property as a STVR to provide income for his family and provide other people and our heirs, with a great experience as a single family dwelling that is 45 feet from the Pacific Ocean.

After our building plans were approved by the County of Hawaii, a law was passed that gave illegal STVR’s with the same zoning as our property, a path to legality but provided no mechanism for joining the program at a later date. We attended public meetings at the time the law was being discussed, but were booed by the crowd gathered when we brought up this “no path” in the future idea, as apparently they had more pressing immediate concerns.

We realize that affordable housing is a hot topic in the news at the moment. A teacher, policeman, fireman or other working families will unlikely be able to afford a 2400 sq. ft. house, 45 ft. from the ocean. I know that while we were working we were not able to.

The highest and best use of this property is a STVR in the future. We find the current law to be arbitrary and unconstitutional. A local family will be denied and Elijah K. Koval may find it unaffordable to live, work, or raise a family if he chooses to live in his birthplace without our “legacy” house becoming a STVR in the future.

Respectfully submitted prior to Intermediate Court of Appeals meeting 6/8/22.

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Thanks in advance.