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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 10:00:34 AM

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I support the Emergency Proclamation Testimony WITH the following conditions:

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Thank you,  
Bella Tukuafu Johnson

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Signed,

Haley Fortune

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Conditional Support for Affordable Housing in Hawaiian Homelands  
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2. Make it truly affordable at 50% median income
3. Follow all water codes
4. Amend the proclamation to include sunshine laws

Lexi Ka'ili, Kane'ohe, Hawai'i

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] For Lahaina  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 9:32:33 AM

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Aloha,

As the BBB begins its work, I'd like to offer the following testimony. The housing needs of displaced families in Lahaina should be the top priority for all related state entities right now. But addressing these needs must not only include, but be led by the Lahaina community - and at a pace they find appropriate. What is the BBB doing to facilitate meaningful engagement with Lahaina community leaders about housing?

Suspending sunshine law keeps those most impacted by the housing crisis at a distance. It serves to preclude those most impacted by housing issues from participating in solution building. At this time, this especially marginalizes the Lahaina community, which is flat wrong. I urge the Governor to reinstate sunshine law for all matters pertaining to the BBB.

It's important to share that there is substantial community support behind the community of Lahaina. I stand with Nā 'Ohana o Lele and I stand by their testimony for the 8/29 BBB meeting.

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As a Native Hawaiian, and a kalo farmer, Governor's emergency proclamation of July 17, 2023 is a step towards eliminating ME, by allowing Josh Green and BBBWG to go against Article 12, section 7 of the Hawaii State Constitution provision that protects Native Hawaiian rights, resources, cultural traditions, and subsistence activities.

We must remember former Gov Ige's pledge to double local food production by 2030, as well as Gov Josh Green's grant program to support the establishment and expansion of food hubs in Hawaii. We must make sure that feeding Hawaii by Hawaii's people and farmers does not go away. Food is life, water is life.

Allowing me to exist, our streams to exist, my kalo to exist, we can continue to feed our families and community.

I also want to say, when the fire hit Lahaina on 8/8, the message from the residences of all nationalities that I spoke with want their homes rebuilt, want their Lahaina town rebuilt. I have not heard anyone saying they want a NEW development to be built instead of their own residence. Therefore, it's vital that you hear the voices of the people of Lahaina. And don't displace anyone with NEW Developments.

Lastly I do not support the emergency proclamation of July 17, 2023 because it suspense chapters 6E HRS, 343 HRS. It suspends land use commission section 205-3 (a) and 205-4 (a). The public trust is negated without any hearings or public EIS reviews as well as our due process rights, chapter 92, under the sunshine law that are protected under the 5th amendment of the Constitution.

Mahalo,  
Michelei Tancayo  
Lahaina

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] support for the Nā 'Ohana o Lele  
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I am Emailing support for Na Ohana O Lele, the Lahaina Families leading the efforts to rebuild the Lahaina community. They should not just be a token voice at the table but decision-makers who should approve any form of development that is proposed for the area. The suspension of the Sunshine Law is precarious because it could cover up corruption and mismanagement. Trust in Hawaii is at an all-time low, when it seems that developers have an outsized say on what happens here in Hawaii. I need only reference the rail for what developer-led projects become. A money-wasting incompetent situation where no one is held accountable and tax payers are footing the bill. We stand by Na Ohana O Lele and their testimony to be not just at the table, but running the table of decisions about the future of the place their Iwi Kupuna are buried. Temporary housing should be built for these families while the toxicology report is being made, so that families will have at least some sense of normalcy in their home.

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Never above you, never below you, always beside you,

Ryan Tong

“Keep me away from the wisdom which does not cry, the philosophy which does not laugh and the greatness which does not bow before children.”

-Kahlil Gibran

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Signed, Camren Cambra



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [REDACTED]; [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Conditional Support for Affordable Housing in Hawaiian Homelands  
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On Mon, Aug 28, 2023 at 7:54 AM Katey Kuresa <[katey.kuresa@gmail.com](mailto:katey.kuresa@gmail.com)> wrote:  
Aloha!

First and foremost, I'd like to request that all future meetings regarding Maui, and specifically West Maui (Lahaina, 96761) that advanced proper notification be provided to us residents. The only reason I even know about this meeting is because of Social Media Platforms. That's inappropriate. If there's an official list to add my email to for professional notice, please add this email to that list. Mahalo!

The purpose of this email is to provide my CONDITIONAL support for affordable housing. Please note the following stipulations:

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Please seriously consider my conditions above as the voice of Lahaina. I cannot stress enough how important it is to include the Sunshine Law as part of the Proclamation because WE THE PEOPLE deserve to have this information + our voices heard. As elected offices, I would expect that to be a welcomed invitation.

Mahalo for taking the time to read my written testimony.

Vai Kuresa  
Lahaina  
[REDACTED]

M A H A L O ,

Vaitulu K u r e s a

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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Signed,  
Lori E Glazebrook

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Wishing you flow in the chaos of life,

Lori

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**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 9:43:34 AM

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Aloha Hawaii officials,  
I am submitting testimony with conditional support.  
The conditions are as follows:

1. For DHHL, please give preference first to Lahaina residents and then Maui residents.
2. Ensure housing is affordable, consider 50% average median income.
3. Ensure the water management area and interim entry flow standards remain in place.
4. Consider amending the emergency proclamation to include the Sunshine Law for both affordable housing and a Lahaina fire disaster recovery and build.

Mahalo for your time and consideration,

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Signed, \_\_Marian Scott\_\_\_\_\_

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Marian Scott

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Tammy Pearce

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*Tammy*

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony for Proclamation Relating To Housing  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 9:53:25 AM

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Aloha Governor Green, my name is Jessica Kuzmier and I am offering testimony with regards to affordable housing.

Mahalo for your attempt to address the housing situation here in Hawaii. I am very concerned about the housing crisis for people here in the state and would like to see more affordable housing here for our residential population, particularly Native Hawaiians who have had to leave the state in droves but really for all people who are struggling to put food on the table after paying obscene amounts to be able to stay in their housing and sheltered to begin with. As you know, many of our jobs are in or related to the hospitality industry, and people shouldn't have to worry about homelessness especially when they are raising keiki and are hardworking people so that others can come and play in the sun. Living in Kona, I pass by many houseless individuals walking down Kuakini, in Old A, and Alii Drive on a regular basis and it makes sense to do what we can to shelter as many people as possible. Affordable housing is ideal as a vital part of this process.

I've read Wayne Tanaka's concerns over the proclamation you have proposed and also read through the proclamation myself. I have to say I agree with his concerns on a few points.

- 1) Your proclamation is a good start to address the concept of housing affordability as a policy, but there's a lot that needs to be expounded upon. I believe income as well as asset limits are really important. To say 'Hawaii resident' is to open up a whole land grab of people who might not have a lot of cash

coming in but have a great deal of accumulated wealth to play with, whether to act in a land grab, take advantage of a nice deal for their retirement while having a nest egg, or people whose primary assets involved flipping properties with cash in hand. Regulating private equity firms that gulp up properties for resorts, flipping houses for rentals while expounding on Section 8 provisions would be a better idea.

2) Tanaka brings up the idea of utilizing 'emergency housing' to address needs, which I agree really needs to be expounded upon and/or taken out of the proclamation entirely.

'Emergency housing' as it stands could be used legitimately as it might be in the case of rebuilding Lahaina, or it could simply be an eminent domain of some corporation utilizing the government to knock out existing homes for their own purposes. I also believe the legislature should be involved in any decisions, rather than it be an executive decision so that all taxpayers have a chance at transparency for the policies or not. Competitive bidding should be included as well, and I did not see that provision in the bill.

3) I personally do not want to see agricultural lands used for this purpose, and would like to see affordable housing near where jobs would be, such as Kona or Hilo. Food security is an issue in our state, and we need to save our lands for local food production. Surveys for wetlands are necessary, as well as other provisions for environmental protections.

Development that paves over these things may result in the same disaster we had with Lahaina, where a once lush wetland became so dry with drought and invasive plants that it was burned to the ground due to overproduction and mismanagement (to put it mildly).

Environmental concerns are very important to me, and as we construct housing that our people can afford it is important to not make the mistakes we did before. I believe concerns such as burying electric poles underground, eliminating invasive fire-prone foliage, and improving the aina and the sea are part of going forward for our efforts to create affordable housing for all.

Mahalo for this basic blueprint, I'm glad for this beginning and look forward to it being built upon with holistic solutions for all of Hawaii. Mahalo also for taking the time to hear my views. Jessica Kuzmier, Kona



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Jonathan

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**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 9:57:55 AM  
**Attachments:** [Emergency Housing Proclamation Working Group Aug 29.pdf](#)

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Aloha

Please see the attached.

Mahalo nui loa,  
Sherry Pollack  
350Hawaii



To: Build Beyond Barriers Working Group  
From: Sherry Pollack, 350Hawaii.org  
Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2023, 9:30am

Aloha

I am Co-Founder of the Hawaii chapter of 350.org, the largest international organization dedicated to fighting climate change. 350Hawaii would like to offer comments regarding the August 29, 2023 Build Beyond Barriers Working Group agenda.

350Hawaii appreciates the Governor's attention to the affordable housing crisis in our state. This has been an on-going problem and must be addressed. Case in point, it is important to note that out-of-state buyers make up about half of all condo sales in Maui. When those homes are not occupied by locals, we get upward pressure on housing prices.

However, we have several serious concerns regarding the Emergency Housing Proclamation, many of which appear to be playing out as this process gets underway with the Build Beyond Barriers Working Group meetings. We assert that the suspension of statutes and regulations that safeguard important environmental and cultural protections will not remedy the problems this Proclamation is supposed to address. It will only serve to trample core values of the People of Hawaii, and as such, is not in the best interests of our communities. These concerns were reinforced by the manner information was made available for the August 29th Build Beyond Barriers Working Group meeting.

It is hard to imagine how this Working Group will be able to ensure that the projects on the August 29<sup>th</sup> agenda will avoid detrimental impacts to the environment and cultural resources when information from the meeting packet is filled with broken links that were supposed to provide key details, including environmental assessments. The manner that this process is playing out only underscores our concerns that actual local people will not benefit, environmental and cultural resources will be negatively and irreversibly impacted, projects will not be affordable, and that these homes will be designed to perpetuate our continued dependency on fossil fuels.

The supposed opportunities for the Working Group to review and discuss these projects, and for the public to provide comments for the Working Group's consideration, so far have played out to be unproductive. Please ensure this is remedied before any decisions are made. The

People of Hawaii are counting on you. Otherwise, this process becomes nothing more than a dog and pony show and a shameful giveaway that will only benefit developers, investors, and contractors.

Mahalo for your consideration of these matters.

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The people of Lahaina have just suffered one of the most horrific tragedies we have ever seen in our State. They deserve to be treated with respect and empowered to make decisions about their community. Thanks to social media, the eyes of the world are on Hawaii. Please do right by our people.

Malama pono,  
Maya Han MPH

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Aloha kakou,

To whom it may concern,

I am a born and raised resident of Lāhāina by and have been in my town since the devastating fires.

Before the community can engage in the process of rebuilding Lāhāina, the people of this community need support for long term housing - places they can reside for a minimum of 2 years, mortgage assistance, rental assistance, child care, education and social services, and etc.

Our people are our greatest resource and I am concerned that there is not adequate help for them especially at the current state they're in.

Doctors who specialize in disaster response have warned us to keep an eye on our suicide rates three, six and nine months out. There has already been five suicides, and other deaths related to after effects of this disaster. We are still recovering from a catastrophic tragedy and we need more time here in West Maui, there is no time frame for the grief we are collectively experiencing. As we try to navigate our path forward for our community and as individuals who have lost everything and are simultaneously working on filing with FEMA, filing insurance claims, important identification paperwork and health care needs; three days was not enough, three weeks will not be enough and three months will not be enough.

What we need is to build up our community first, take care of our displaced families and meet their needs for long-term/permanent supportive housing, employment and education for our keiki – keeping our families safe and together in West Maui as much as possible and help them heal. They should not be forced to be in places where their health and welfare may be at risk due to toxic exposure during demolition and clean up and they need trauma-informed care.

In West Maui, for the vast majority of families, we are not in a place where we can open up to tourism without having those needs met. Many who transitioned from shelters to hotels are still concerned with long term housing and only some are venturing out from their rooms and beginning to let us assist them, some are not yet up to leaving their rooms due to survival guilt and just the overwhelming feelings associated with the situation. The ideal suggestion would be to get 1-2 year leases for families in vacation accommodations that have kitchens; these could be a mixture of hotels, condos and short term vacation rentals. People looking for a property tax break and other financial incentives willing to provide housing for displaced families (which is inclusive of our workforce) for a minimum of 1 year, potentially up to 2 years. This is our community and West Maui's workforce. These are our teachers, health care workers, government workers, and many many workers in the visitor industry. They will not be able to work, especially in service industries if they are homeless. If they are unable to work or leave, we will further exacerbate the workforce shortage we already have from COVID. Supporting this community is crucial not just from a social welfare perspective but also from an economic welfare perspective.

In terms of building to meet immediate and future housing needs, suggestions for a starting point of discussion include: Expedite housing projects that have been already approved in West Maui: Pulelehua 800 units, Kaiaulu o Kuku'ia 200 units, Kaiaulu o Kupuohi (recently finished, but burnt down, developers willing to rebuild) 89 units. There are also areas that are already approved within our recently adopted West Maui community plan like Pu'ukoli'i Village Mauka which is 200+ acres and has had 201 G approval for decades. For temporary modular units, the county recently purchased 50 acres in the Kahana area of raw land for park purposes that could be used to put up portable off grid housing for the interim this is between Kahana Ridge and Maui Preparatory Academy on the mauka side of Highway 30.

I pray the right decisions are made for our people, 'āina, and wai. And I pray you folks decide to be on the right side



of history.

Mahalo nui loa for your time and consideration!

Sincerely,

Jordan Ruidas  
Lahaina Strong

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I couldn't exit the rind was way to strong so much debris flying though the air . My neighbor left saw his bad it was turned around to get me. The cops wouldn't let him. I sat there for 5 hours praying wondering what I was going to do with me 4 cats snd no help out. I wasn't worried at first cuz the sprinklers were in their roof but Huey turned the water off. Flames everywhere don't know if the two boys made it out I think they might of got trapped in the back room . I tried to get mom cat in here Carrie but she was fighting me flames were shooting though the front door got her in the Carrie grabbed my back pack and the organize folder with important papers and it had a little handle on it tried to exit out the back the room filed with black smoke in seconds the back was all on fire I ran out the back with mom cat my bag and papers I fell running on hot embers burning my leg and hand a got to the back fence at the top mom cat unzipped her bag and got out I tried to grab her I couldn't get her. I threw myself off on the other side trying to see where see was couldn't see black smoke flames and hot embers some as big as soft ball size flying for 300 feet. Noticed I had no important papers anymore the handle broke I was just holding the handle in my hand. Dropped the handle kept trying to call for my cats I felt if I turned around I'd be dead I can't believe I'm not . Went down aloha yelling for my pets the wind and fire were so load. Made it to front street where fat Phil was he was hurt bad get got blown off the boats in the harbor trying to put them out. He crawled in the water to 505 where some police got him and brought him to the highway and Puamana told him someone will stop for you and left him there no water he was burnt he's feet were burnt .

He walked down front street where we ran into each other. He was all balled up I thought oh great now what do I have to deal with. Lost my pets my house everything only had the clothing I was wearing.

Phil stood up and said Jo is at you I said yes he said come on. We have to get in the water now. we were in the water for hours trying to get out of the fire . It was on both sides we could only swim out but the flames ash and smoke were shooting 300 feet the smoke stayed on top of the water. It was had to breath see hot giant embers were thrown against you . Lost Phil for a few minutes had to swim out and get him we trued to stay against the sea wall but the tide was rising and the ocean was very rough slamming us agents the wall the big boulders were rolling over our ankles and feet . As the tide rises we had to get out. The only house on front street that didn't burn crawled onto their rocks and hide there until morning when I ran back to my house had to wait until morning couldn't see had no shoes lost them in the fire . Kept calling my cats on my way to my house I had to hood poles wire there was one spot on the road that look like a blow torch or something went across it it was about 2ft wide at one end bigger on the other end I know cuz had to jump over it looked like molten lava a tar pit no one would help driving by they just ignored me. One local guy stoped ask if I need help he tried to charge my phone . It was in the ocean all night can't believe it works but no service no 911 Then it when dead again. Some tourist walked by then this guy with his armed all burnt him and I tried to exon to front street he offed me his shoes I told him no your way more hurt then me.

I could only get half was down front street do many poles snd trees were in the way. I turned and when back to 271 front street where Phil was

As I was coming back in the far distance, I could see emergency lights flashing, so I went running down there as fast as I could yelling, screaming, waving my arms, every backing up and leaving. Luckily, they stopped in for Fireman jumped out and walk to me. and they got fat Phil they said they ran out of water . They took us to the bypass where we waited for the ambulance. I just wanted to go back down there and find my pets but I was hurt in barefoot I did not want staff. They took us to Maui Memorial. They rushed, fell off somewhere it took me to a room. They let me shower and clean up my wounds. They charge my phone so I could call Sarah Jones, who owns Hangloose, Hammacks and Lahana, which was also burn to the ground she came and picked me up. They haven't let me go find my cats . I was already in the worst part of it let me go find my baby's please it's been tree weeks. That is way inhumane all those poor animal shelter. One of my cats needs medicine, so I doubt if she made it this far. I can't think about anything else but to find my pets dead or alive the police didn't care they said I don't have to go in the ambulance, I could go back down there.

We want our homes pets family and loved ones back.

What you didn't think after that last fire four years ago that maybe you should clear that brush just being lazy or what and then you don't want to blow the siren because you think we're gonna run into the fire people are that stupid plus it was way too windy to even escape before the fire came.



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony: BBBWG  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 10:10:39 AM

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Aloha,

I submit this testimony as a resident of Hawaii in my personal capacity.

I implore the Build Beyond Barriers Working Group to institute Sunshine Law and open meetings to the public. Transparency and public trust is vital to the working of government. If housing is meant to benefit the those who need it most, those who need it most must be allowed to help shape the direction of housing.

Clear requirements must be set to make housing truly affordable. Income qualifications should be set to 50% of the mean area income, as wild inequality has adjusted the mean to a level no longer aligned with those in true need.

While our environmental impact assessment and approval process are more lengthy than other states, it is for good reason. We live on an island. Land is a finite resource. Developing it must be a slow and intentional process; every inch of land is precious, and once it's paved over there's no turning back.

Water is also a finite resource. It is meant to flow as part of a hydrological system in balance with itself. We must support efforts of communities to return flows from the destructive practices of the plantation era sugar barons, and enforce the rules and policies that have been hard won. The privatization of water is a moral abhorrence we are forced to contend with.

Undermining these efforts via executive declarations is antithetical to democracy. Using the housing problem as a means to undermine what's most important to the communities most in need of housing (water rights; preservation of open land and the commons; resisting against foreign investment, speculation, and luxury development).

Perhaps the emergency declaration, as a tool of elected government as an extension of the will of the public, should be used to return water to the commons.

Before building more housing, we should utilize the existing housing supply. Higher taxes should be levied against those without multiple houses, especially those not using their non-primary home(a) for affordable rentals.

Instead of fasttracking unchecked new development, the powers of the emergency declaration should be used to halt purchases of homes by real estate and to levy high taxes against vacant homes so as to free up new housing supply to a smaller range of demand. We understand that without these safeguards, demand for Hawaii real estate is global, and no amount of new supply will sate the endless appetite — especially with the advent of AI-guided REITs, which can find and purchase properties en masse, backed by endless capital, with the intent to charge the maximum possible to local renters in order to maximize profit to REIT shareholders.

Mahalo,  
Kaulana Ing

Resident, Wahiawa, Oahu

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Conditional Support for Affordable Housing in Hawaiian Homelands  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 10:13:25 AM

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I offer my conditional support for affordable housing with the following conditions.

1. Give preference to Lahaina residents on wait list and then Maui residents
2. Make it truly affordable at 50% median income
3. Follow all water codes
4. Amend the proclamation to include sunshine laws

Lexi Ka'ili, Kane'ohe, Hawai'i

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 10:14:14 AM

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Hello All,

I am writing to submit testimony in light of the recent Maui fires and the need to house those who have lost homes or who have lost access to housing due to the tragedy including those who's livelihoods have been affected.

All state departments must take this issue of housing as their top priority in this crisis. The state must follow the lead of the Lahaina community specifically the community group Nā 'Ohana o Lele with leaders Aunty U'i and Uncle Ke'eaumoko. The community has shown it is more capable of understanding and providing for the needs of the people of Lahaina than state departments or federal agencies. Additionally, in this time of crisis, the people of Lahaina are vulnerable to being taken advantage of by real estate or corporate interests. The relevant state departments must support the leadership and vision of community groups in Maui in the housing of Lahaina residents. To do this, a reinstatement of the sunshine laws is paramount, the suspension serves to preclude the voices of those most impacted by housing issues which doesn't make any sense and is just wrong.

I stand by reinstating the sunshine law.  
I stand with Nā 'Ohana o Lele and it's leadership.  
I stand by their testimony in these hard times.

Sincerely,  
Nikhil Khurana

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#); [Diane Conroy](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 10:20:03 AM

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**Subject:** TESTIMONY

I support the emergency proclamation with conditions.

1. Prioritize preference to Lahaina residents, then Maui residents with DHHL.

Also 50% of average income for housing

Ensure water standards

Sunshine law with projects

Sincerely  
Diane Conroy



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Proclamation  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 10:20:13 AM

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Aloha,

I hope you take the time to read everyone's email thoroughly. I understand it's a big list, but Hawai'i has gone through a big loss.

I oppose the proclamation. PLEASE RESCIND THE PROCLAMATION. The people of Maui and the ohana statewide deserve more. Put people above profit.

Mahalo,

Mialisa Otis

Waimanalo resident

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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## EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

1. Prioritize preference to Lāhainā residents, then Maui residents for housing in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands)
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement 50% of average median income, and not 140%.
3. Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions about the development

Michelle Rutan  
Pepeekeo Hawaii

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**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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To whom it may concern,

These are my conditions for the affordable housing project in Lahaina. I only support this project under the following four conditions:

1. Preference for housing in Lahaina is given first and foremost to the local Lahaina residence, and secondly to Maui residence.
2. The Housing is ensured to be truly affordable for local Lahaina residence meaning, the average median income is considered at 50%. Not 140%.
3. You ensure that the Lahaina water management and IIFS is protected and remains in place. Meaning the environmental protections for Lahaina and health of aquifers, ground water and streams remains fully and completely protected during the duration of any project and rebuild.
4. The emergency proclamation for affordable housing and any subject matter concerning the fire and rebuilding Lahaina, is amended to include the "Sunshine Law", which ensures that local Lahaina and Maui community members have a voice in any rebuild, and are able to testify if needed. No project should be passed in Lahaina without the local Hawaiian and Lahaina community member voices and input.

Thank you,

Mark Landau

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Water is also a finite resource. It is meant to flow as part of a hydrological system in balance with itself. We must support efforts of communities to return stream flows from the destructive practices of the plantation era sugar barons, and enforce the rules and policies that have been hard won. The privatization of water is a moral abhorrence we are forced to contend with.

Undermining these community efforts via executive declarations is antithetical to democracy. Using housing problem as a means to undermine what's most important to the communities most in need of housing (water rights; preservation of open land and the commons; resisting against foreign investment, speculation, and luxury development) via unilateral action is not in the best interest of elected officials' constituents.

Perhaps the emergency declaration, as a tool of elected government as an extension of the will of the public, should be used to return water to the commons.

Before building more housing, we should liberate and fully utilize the existing housing supply. Higher taxes should be levied against those with multiple houses. Those using their non-primary home(s) for affordable rentals perhaps could get a break.

Instead of fasttracking unchecked new development, the powers of the emergency declaration should be used to halt purchases of homes by foreign investors and to levy high taxes against owners of vacant homes so as to free up new housing supply to a smaller, more local range of demand.

We understand that without these safeguards, demand for Hawaii real estate remains global, and no amount of new supply will sate the endless appetite of the whole world's elite — especially with the advent of AI-guided REITs, which can find and purchase properties en

masse, backed by nearly endless capital, with the intent to charge the maximum possible to local renters in order to maximize profit to REIT shareholders.

Mahalo,  
Kaulana Ing  
Resident, Wahiawa, Oahu

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I vehemently oppose this closed “discussion” by state legislators & officials on how to rebuild Lahaina, WITHOUT any input from the public or residents of Lahaina. This closed door plan, is not only disrespectful of the residents that both SURVIVED & perished, but also shows the continuous corruption that plagues the State of Hawaii.

The people of Lahaina were failed by ALL government officials on Aug. 8, 2023. We will not allow you to continue to fail us.

Grace Delos Reyes

Formally from [REDACTED], Lahaina, HI 96761

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## **TESTIMONY**

Build Beyond Barriers Working Group (BBBWG)

Tuesday August 29, 2023

9:30 AM - 11:30 A.M.

Physical Location: State Capitol Conference Room 329  
415 South Beretania Street Honolulu HI 96813

From: Choon James [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Aloha,

The public was unable to participate in the first meeting. Nobody is against “affordable housing” but here are a few of many questions and severe concerns:

Emergency Proclamation <https://governor.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/2307072-1.pdf>

### **1. What constitutes an “emergency”?**

"Emergency" means any occurrence, or imminent threat thereof, which results or may likely result in substantial injury or harm to the population or substantial damage to or loss of property or substantial damage to or loss of the environment.

**§127A-14 State of emergency.** (a) The governor may declare the existence of a state of emergency in the State by proclamation if the governor finds that an emergency or disaster has occurred or that there is imminent danger or threat of an emergency or disaster in any portion of the State.

(b) A mayor may declare the existence of a local state of emergency in the county by proclamation if the mayor finds that an emergency or disaster has



occurred or that there is imminent danger or threat of an emergency or disaster in any portion of the county.

(c) The governor or mayor shall be the sole judge of the existence of the danger, threat, or circumstances giving rise to a declaration of a state of emergency in the State or a local state of emergency in the county, as applicable. This section shall not limit the power and authority of the governor under section 127A-13(a)(5).

(d) A state of emergency and a local state of emergency shall terminate automatically **sixty days after the issuance of a proclamation** of a state of emergency or local state of emergency, respectively, or by a separate proclamation of the governor or mayor, whichever occurs first. [L 2014, c 111, pt of §2; am L 2019, c 214, §5]

### **COMMENTS:**

If we want to use the Governor's idea of what an "emergency" is, we could certainly add other pressing issues like the environment. We have drinking water polluted with PFAS forever chemicals. Hawaii has about 88,000 cesspools, polluted beaches that pollute the fish and so on.

What about public education? Hawaii is #41 in school ranking.

What about healthcare? We have healthcare shortage, health facilities, healthcare insurances and other.

What about crime? Residents are increasing wary of public safety including kupuna who are worried about crime in their neighborhoods.

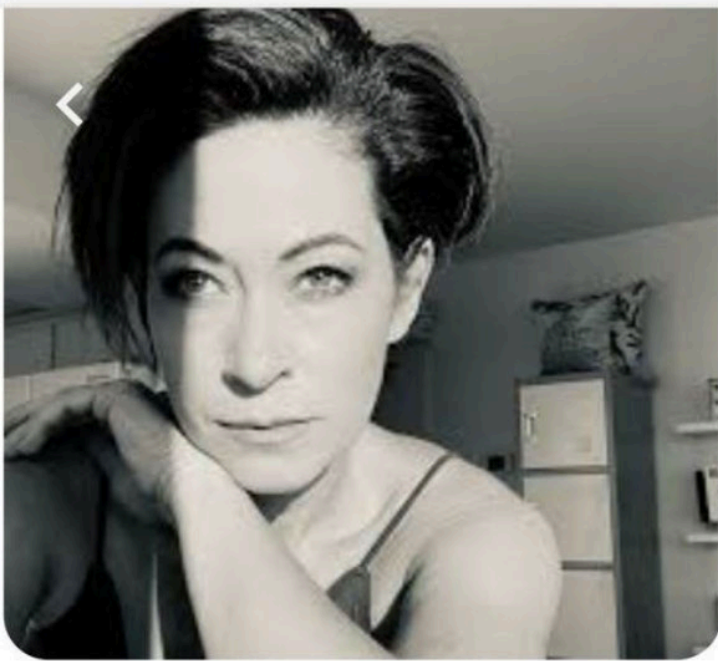
What about substance abuse?

Perhaps the Governor is on to something. With this autocratic style of governance, why does Hawaii even need all the public safeguards/Due Process like the Land Use Commission? Why is there a need for all the Counties' Land Use Ordinances or Sustainable Plans. Why is there a need for County Councils?

2. The fine print in this Emergency Proclamation gives sole powers to one position created by Governor Green's Emergency Proclamation. This is not an elected position. This **LEAD HOUSING OFFICER (LHO)** can make unilateral decision to approve projects WITHOUT even its newly-formed group called Build Beyond Barriers Working Group (BBBWG).

What happened? How can this happen in a Democracy?

This "Emergency Proclamation" is good for 60 days. Then what? What happens after that? Who will follow through or regulate these projects? Are there any continuing fiscal accountability or delivery of promises or services?




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Nani Medeiros - Chief  
Housing Officer - Office ...

and scope; (2) the developer has the necessary resources, including financial resources, to construct and operate the project; and (3) the project is likely to result in the commencement of construction of additional new residential units within 36 months from the execution of the development agreement, the Build Beyond Barriers Working Group may accept the project under the Proclamation. Upon acceptance, the Build Beyond Barriers Working Group shall enter into a development agreement with the developer to set forth the terms of the certification of the project under this Proclamation and the accompanying rules.

The development agreement will be recorded as a deed restriction or as a restriction on the leasehold interest on the property.

Once the development agreement is executed and filed, a project is "certified" under the Proclamation. An annual review by the Governor's office or the Lead Housing Officer of every project is required to verify compliance with the conditions under the development agreement.

The Lead Housing Officer may also determine that certain state or county projects may proceed under this Proclamation without first being certified by the Build Beyond Barriers Working Group. 

### III. Path Forward

Pursuant to sections 127A-12(b)(1) and (4), HRS, I call on the state and county agencies to cooperate and to forge paths forward to address the affordable housing crisis. The State and the counties should be engaging in discussions regarding mutual aid agreements and what assistance can be provided to speed up the processes that impede the creation of housing across the state.

Pursuant to sections 127A-12(b)(4), (9), (11), (16), and (19), HRS, I direct all state agencies to make the review, planning, approval and processing of permits related to housing a priority.

### IV. Suspension of Laws

Section 127A-13(3) HRS, **Additional Powers in an Emergency Period**, to the extent necessary to expedite the construction, repair, renovation, and occupancy of housing and infrastructure projects certified under this emergency Proclamation, I hereby suspend the following statutes and regulations:

Chapter 6E, HRS, **Historic Preservation**, to the extent necessary to expedite the provision of certified housing projects, subject to the attached Governor's emergency rules.

Section 26-35(a)(4), HRS, **Administrative supervision of boards and commissions**.

Section 37-41, HRS, **Appropriations to Revert to State Treasury; Exceptions**.

Are there more details on the affordable housing deliberations?

What is the ratio of development for "affordable housing", "workforce housing" And "market housing"?

How affordable is affordable?

What does affordable mean?

Who is these developments for?

How is a "resident" defined?

What are in the conditions for these developments? Will it be preserved in perpetuity? Or is this a one-time window of opportunity for those who can get into this availability?

Will these affordable units benefit others in perpetuity? What about appreciation caps? Leasehold or fee simple. Buyback clauses? Example: The Kahuku Affordable Housing in the 1980s was sold at \$50,000 per unit. But the market price is now over \$1M. Who benefits?

Is the government responsible in providing homes for every one who wants one?

Will this action help the local residents or do local kama'aina residents have to compete with others from the mainland and elsewhere?

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4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions about the development, and NOT Nani Medeiros who was NOT ELECTED.

Signed, Elizabeth Degge

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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Aloha,

I am from the big island and have been following the devastation on Maui since it's started. It's unimaginable and so heartbreaking. I can only scratch the surface of imagining the shock and heartbreak each family is going thru and the unknown of where they will call home or be housed day by day, month by month and so on.

I am submitting testimony w/ some requests for support towards specific topics.

1. For DHHL to please give preference to Lahaina residents who have been displaced from the fire. Then onto current Maui residents and then onto the rest of the list.
2. Housing be affordable, like ACTUALLY affordable. Housing has not been affordable for the last few years and more recent since COVID and air bnb businesses have been booming. Consider making the affordable housing at 50% average median.
3. Ensure that water management area and interim entry flow standards remain in place. I honestly feel that the water should be released from all entities/landowners involved temporarily to just bring some type of calm to families. Knowing it's flowing will give them some hope n joy of the old ways, the past. It would be temporary but can actually bring some healing to some souls. Of course this would be a kindness gesture from landowners but it's something that is free, won't cost them a thing to do and can bring some type of comfort to most if not all residents.
4. Consider amending the emergency proclamation to include the sunshine law for both affordable housing and Lahaina disaster recovery rebuild.

In closing, we all need to put aside our pocketbook calculator and just do what would make u feel good & be a blessing to others who have literally nothing. We all can go back to our houses and jobs and our cars. These residents don't have anything but the clothes on their backs. They may have jobs but can't get to them because their cars perished. Or the schools burnt so there's nowhere their kids can go for the day even if they can go to work. I can't imagine how to organize all of these events tied into each other but im sure there are people trained to do this and can help.

Mahalo nui loa for your time,

Tamla Bush  
Kailua Kona resident

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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Thank you,

Ben Yahraus,

Island musicians and resident .

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To whom it may concern,

I Michael Vanwert am a resident of Lahaina oppose Josh Green's emergency proclamation forbearing the need for sunshine law and collective bargaining without vote.

The communities voice needs to be heard with the issues being brought to light. It is unconstitutional to override this due to emergency at hand. Housing is an issue but the people need to be aware and brought into the conversation with what things look like moving forward.

Sincerely  
Michael Vanwert



**From:** [REDACTED]  
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To Whom This May Concern,

I Megan Elam, as a resident of Lahaina, oppose Josh Green's emergency proclamation. I am pro sunshine law and pro collective bargaining. I do not agree with the power to change anything without vote.

The community of Lahaina deserves the right to have a voice and come together to be apart of rebuilding in a way the supports everything that has been lost.

Sincerely,

Megan Elam

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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Signed,

Tamra Martinez  
Kihei resident

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Aloha,

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony. I understand this testimony is a couple of hours late. However, I hope it may still be considered along with all other testimony from my community. Those of us in West Maui desire to participate in this discussion but also have our hands full at the moment. Thank you for understanding.

Mahalo,  
Tamara

**Councilmember Tamara Paltin**

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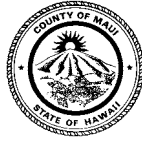


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August 28, 2023

Aloha kākou,

### **SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR LONG-TERM HOUSING IN LAHAINA**

I am the Maui County council member residing in the West Maui District, and I have been here in my district every day since the fires.

Before the community can participate in rebuilding Lahaina, our people need support for long-term housing – places they can stay for a minimum of 2 years, mortgage relief, rental assistance, child care, education, and social services. Our people are our most critical resource, and I have serious concerns that we are failing to help those in need at the level that they are currently at.

Doctors specializing in disaster response have warned us to pay attention to our suicide rates three, six, and nine months out. Already, there have been five suicides and other deaths related to the after-effects of this disaster.

Here in West Maui, we are still recovering from this catastrophic tragedy. There is no time frame for the grief we are collectively experiencing. We are trying to navigate our path forward as a community while individuals who have lost everything are just trying to survive- simultaneously filing insurance claims, recovering identification and paperwork, and addressing health care needs. Three days was not long enough. Three weeks is not long enough. Three months will not be long enough.

What we need is to build up our community first, take care of our displaced families, and meet their needs for long-term/permanent supportive housing, employment, and education for our keiki – keeping our families safe and together in West Maui to the greatest extent possible to help them heal. Moreover, they need trauma-informed care.

In West Maui, we cannot open up to tourism until those needs are met. Many who transitioned from shelters to hotels are still worried about long-term housing. Some are just now venturing out of their rooms and beginning to let us

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assist them, while others are not yet up to leaving their rooms due to their feelings of survivor's guilt and overwhelming grief.

Ideally, displaced families would acquire 1-2 year leases in vacation accommodations with kitchens. These accommodations could include hotels, condos, and short-term vacation rentals. The owners of these accommodations would receive property tax breaks and other financial incentives in return for providing housing for displaced families for a minimum of 1 year, potentially up to 2 years.

This is our community and West Maui's workforce. The displaced include our teachers, government workers, and many many workers in the visitor industry. They will be unable to work, especially in the service industries, if they are homeless. If they are unable to work and or are forced to leave West Maui, we will further exacerbate the workforce shortage we have been navigating since COVID. Supporting this community is crucial not just from a social welfare perspective but also from an economic welfare perspective.

As far as building to meet immediate and future housing needs, a starting point of discussion should include expediting housing projects that have already been approved in West Maui: Pulelehua (800 units), Kaiaulu o Kuku'ia (200 units), and Kaiaulu o Kupuohi, recently finished but destroyed in the fire, however, the developers are willing to rebuild (89 units).

Next, the discussion should pivot to areas that were approved for development within our recently adopted West Maui community plan, like Pu'ukoli'i Village Mauka (Project with 200+ acres that has had 201 G approval for decades). For temporary modular units, the county recently purchased 50 acres of raw land in the Kahana area- between Kahana Ridge and Maui Preparatory Academy on the mauka side of Highway 30. While the county purchased this land to create a park, it could be used to erect portable off-grid housing for the interim.

Furthermore, DHHL Leiali'i's next phases should also be expedited and prioritized for Lahaina beneficiaries. DHHL also has 800 acres at Honokowai, which should be expedited and prioritized for Lahaina beneficiaries and even Lahaina kanaka maoli, if possible. New developments should not be considered until these existing, pre-approved projects are built out and should only be considered in areas approved by the recently approved community plan unless the community collectively expresses a need to change it and it will not cause further division.

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Mahalo for hearing our community,

Handwritten signature of Tamara M. Paltin in black ink.

TAMARA PALTIN  
Councilmember

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## EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

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3. Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions about the development, and NOT Nani Medeiros who was NOT ELECTED.

Signed, your name. Please don't forget this small detail!

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Aloha Kākou!!!

After thorough evaluation, please RESCIND my previous email about the Governors Emergency Proclamation.

My name is Malia Marquez and I am NOT in support of his Proclamation at all. Not even with conditions.

The Governor needs to listen to the people of Lahaina, not those chosen to take both sides and confuse kanaka (which just happened to me).

Again please RESCIND my testimony "in support of the Emergency Proclamation WITH conditions"

I DO NOT SUPPORT ANY EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION whatsoever.

Mahalo,

Malia Marquez  
Maunalua resident.



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Signed,

Darlene Viggiano, Ph.D. (MFT)

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Respectfully  
Cheryl Taylor

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Conditional Support for Affordable Housing in Hawaiian Homelands  
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To whom it may concern,

I offer my conditional support for affordable housing with the following conditions.

1. Give preference to Lahaina residents on wait list and then Maui residents
2. Make it truly affordable at 50% median income
3. Follow all water codes
4. Amend the proclamation to include sunshine laws

Mahalo,  
Stacey Gould

Stacey Gould  
[REDACTED]  
Lahaina

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Signed, Meilin Duncan

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Sincerely,  
Carlotta Leina'ala Kailiawa

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Signed, Karriann Costa-Kahele

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Signed,  
Shiloh Circle

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To Whom It May Concern:

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Habiba Erica Brown CNE, CNC  
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I offer my conditional support for affordable housing with the following conditions.

1. Give preference to Lahaina residents on wait list and then Maui residents.
2. Make it truly affordable, at 50% median income.
3. Follow all water codes.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Hawaii's open meetings law.

Erick Avera

Mobile number 1 [REDACTED]

Lahaina, HI

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Mahalo,  
Kathryn Shawhan

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PLEASE READ!!! Please allow  
Okay all Hawai'i lovers locals and Kānaka

There is a very very important meeting happening Tuesday at the capital regarding Lāhainā and Maui.

So I'm putting the kāhea\* Call out to all you folks and anyone willing to support this literally will only take 5 seconds and make a BIG impact WHEREVER you are from.

Every email must be submitted by tomorrow 9am HST/ 3pm EST/ 12Noon Mst&PST

Please Kōkua Help us send these testimonies out!

#### EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION

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Cynthia White

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Signed,  
Melissa Neill

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Future of Lahaina Housing  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 11:50:41 AM

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To Those who are deciding the future of Lahaina Housing,

These are the conditions that will benefit our communities for the affordable housing project in Lahaina. I only support this project under the following four conditions:

1. Preference for housing in Lahaina is given first and foremost to the local Lahaina residents, and secondly to Maui residents.
2. The Housing is ensured to be truly affordable for local Lahaina residents meaning, the average median income is considered at 50% Not 140%.
3. You ensure that the Lahaina water management and IFS is protected and remains in place. Meaning the environmental protections for Lahaina and health of aquifers, ground water and streams remains fully and completely protected during the duration of any project and rebuild.
4. The emergency proclamation for affordable housing and any subject matter concerning the fire and rebuilding Lahaina, is amended to include the "Sunshine Law" which ensures that local Lahaina and Maui community members have a voice in any rebuild, and are able to testify if needed. **No project should be passed in Lahaina without the local Hawaiian and Lahaina community member voices and input.**

Thank you,

Shems Heartwell

[REDACTED]  
Makawao, HI 96768

“Whoever has hearts doors wide open, could see the Sun itself in every Atom”  
- Rumi

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I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH conditions:

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3. Ensure that our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.

‘O mākou ka po‘e o ko mākou ‘āina, he leo ko mākou. E ala mākou a hana i kēia ‘oko‘a. No ko kākou ‘āina, ko kākou po‘e kānaka, ko kākou kūpuna a me ko kākou ‘ohana.

Mahalo,

**Cerise-Lee K. Ching**  
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**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony for Building Beyond Barriers meeting Tuesday 8/29  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 12:00:29 PM

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Aloha, my name is Keala.

I am submitting testimony with conditional support. The conditions are as follows:

1. For DHHL, please give preference to Lahaina residents on the waitlist first, then Maui residents on the waitlist.
2. Ensure housing is actually affordable, consider 50% average median income.
3. Ensure the water management area and interim entry flow standards remain in place.
4. Consider amending the emergency proclamation to include The Sunshine Law for both affordable housing and the Lahaina fire disaster recovery and rebuild

Mahalo!

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Keala Fung

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**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 12:00:59 PM

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I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH conditions below:

1. Prioritizing preference to Lahaina residents, then Maui residents in Department of Hawaiian Home Lands
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement 50% of average median income and not 140%
3. Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards remain in place
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.

Mahalo,

Karen Sayaboc



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Makua Camarao

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY - Build Beyond Barriers Working Group - Redevelopment of Lahaina  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 12:20:06 PM

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Aloha Build Beyond Barriers Working Group (BBBWG) -

Please allow the Lahaina Community and Kupuna to be part of the Build Beyond Barriers Working Group (BBBWG) when discussing the redevelopment of Lahaina.

Any discussion to rebuild Lahaina is premature - victims of the fire are still being identified, individuals are still unaccounted for and internet is unreliable so the Lahaina Community will be unable to view the meeting and/or may not be able to submit relevant testimony.

~ Mahalo Dawn Hegger-Nordblom

Dawn Hegger-Nordblom

[REDACTED]  
Lahaina HI 96767  
[REDACTED]

"There are no more committed people on the planet than surfers. We all fall down a lot. We turn around, paddle back out, and do it over and over again. Unlike anything else in life, the stoke of surfing is so high that failure quickly fades from memory," from the stand up paddle shop.

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony - hearing re: Agenda Item III subsection C  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 12:24:05 PM

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To whom it may concern:

I am writing you this Testimony in advance of the hearing 8/29/23 @ 9:30 am HST - 11:30 am HST.

The issue with item being heard re: Agenda Item III subsection C.

Your proposal to have the displaced due to as you allege “the Hurricane Dora’s High Winds” the residents, tenants and native Hawaiians to be sent to another island for housing is beyond ridiculous.

The people of the island of Maui, Hawaii deserve better than what you are proposing in sending them off island to be housed. The island of Maui has more than enough land to place the people temporarily while their original inhabited area is rebuilt by them and for them.

I respectfully reject this proposal on their behalf as this is not in their best interest. They already lost a lot and should not be shipped off to another island in order to be placed temporarily while their buildings and lives are restored.

Ohana means family and no body is left behind or shipped off but rather taken in and taken care of while receiving all the community support they have.

Further, they need to be offered the ability to work to restore their community and be offered the business and jobs and not have it all outsourced to other businesses.

Mahalo for your consideration of our feedback and we hope you find it in your hearts to keep them as close to their community and homes instead of what you are proposing.

Ka’u Resident

The

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**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 12:26:17 PM

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Aloha,

I would like to express my **CONDITIONAL** support for the DHHL proclamation based on the following conditions:

- Preference for Lahaina residents followed by Maui residents on the affordable housing wait list.
- To ensure affordability, drop the minimum to qualify from 140% to 50% average median income.
- Ensure IIFF remain in place.
- Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law for both the DHHL proclamation and the Maui Fire Disaster Recovery and Rebuild efforts.
- Prioritize local Lahaina and Maui contractors for remediation and rebuild rather than contracting off-island, even if this requires training in order to also mitigate the staggering unemployment crisis generated by the fires. They will also do a more thorough job since it is their community and they will be living with the results of their work for a long time to come.

Mahalo,  
Julia Feldstein

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Mahalo,  
Julia Feldstein

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To who it may concern,

These are my conditions for the affordable housing project in Lahaina. I only support this project under the following four conditions:

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Thank you,  
Amy Glasser

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Housing protection for local Hawaiian residents  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 12:32:05 PM

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Thank you,  
Maya Rose Cordova  
Rose Sanchez  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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Trish Croal



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aloha

*Thomas Mackay*

**From:**   
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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I support with conditions

Prioritizing preference to Lahaina residents. Then Maui residents in DHHL department of Hawaiian Home Lands

Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirements. 50% of the average median income and not 140%

Ensure our water management and the interim in stream flow standards (IIFS) remain in placē

Amend proclamation to include sunshine Hawaiiis open meetings law.

Lisa Awai  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](mailto:Gov.Housing)  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 12:52:31 PM

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Aloha,

Please accept my testimony as it is originally sent before 8/28 at 9am HST.

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Mahalo nui,  
Kaya Givensel

On Sun, Aug 27, 2023 at 11:51 PM Gov.Housing <[gov.housing@hawaii.gov](mailto:gov.housing@hawaii.gov)> wrote:

Aloha,

The body of your email is blank.

Best,

Tami

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**From:** Kaya Givensel <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 27, 2023 8:39 PM  
**To:** Gov.Housing <[gov.housing@hawaii.gov](mailto:gov.housing@hawaii.gov)>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

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Mahalo,

Kaya Givensel

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Our voice  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 12:52:55 PM

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Aloha,

We would like to support affordable/ workforce housing for Maui under these conditions:

1. Preference to Lahaina Residents first then all other Maui Residents.
2. 50% Average Medium Income
3. IIFS in Place
4. Please amend Proclamation to include the sunshine act.

Mahalo,  
Thomas

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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I need help to get back to my spot! I've lived in 577 luakini st and lost house and my woodworking carving shop where I build Hawaiian koa canoes.

Please help me because I don't have help from FEMA!

Hugo [REDACTED]  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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Aloha Hawaii officials,  
I am submitting testimony with conditional support.  
The conditions are as follows:

1. For DHHL, please give preference first to Lahaina residents and then Maui residents.
2. Ensure housing is affordable, consider 50% average median income.
3. Ensure the water management area and interim entry flow standards remain in place.
4. Consider amending the emergency proclamation to include the Sunshine Law for both affordable housing and a Lahaina fire disaster recovery and build.

Mahalo for your time and consideration, Aloha.

Kyle Miller

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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Signed,  
David E. Brass

Sent from my iPad



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Housing resolution!  
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Dear Sirs, Madams;

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Sincerely;  
Ted Jaimes ,

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] WRITTEN TESTIMONY: Build Beyond Barriers Working Group (BBBWG) Tuesday August 29,2023  
**Date:** Monday, August 28, 2023 1:19:06 PM

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My name is Krista Vessell, 96795.

I have been trying to find any additional details and information on the agenda items for this meeting and am unable to find any suitable information which provides enough details for the public to definitively weigh in on and submit detailed testimony on the agenda items for. How are we supposed to submit relevant testimony on items we aren't aware of any details on?

One example is Item C (quoted below). The wording is very unclear, is Hale Aloha O Puna being designed as a place to relocate impoverished people from ANY island who were "displaced by fires caused by Hurricane Dora's high winds" to Keeau, Hawai'i? Or is Hale Aloha O Puna for residents of Keeau or Hawai'i island only?

If the former, then I am submitting testimony in **STRONG OPPOSITION** to it. Relocating impoverished people to another island simply because they are impoverished and dealing with the devastation of a disaster is obscene.

If the latter, then I may be supportive of it so long as it is housing that the poorest residents of Hawai'i island can truly afford. Without know the details on the income limits and "affordability" of these projects, I cannot fully support any of these agenda proposals.

My testimony is also to **VOICE CONCERN** about the apparent lack of transparency and adequate preparatory public information regarding agenda items. This is yet another example of behind-closed-doors decision making by power-hungry individuals abusing government to push their own agendas that support special interest stakeholders, in this case the well-connected and established developers (like EAH Housing) that LHO Alena "Nani" Medeiros has had the support of since she was nominated for the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) in 2015.

"Project Proposals to the Lead Housing Officer

A. Department of Hawaiian Home Land's (DHHL) request for the LHO's determination to develop the following for beneficiaries: 1) Honokawai Water System, including source and transmission to support housing in the Villages of Leiali'i and DHHL property in Honakawai; 2) Villages in Leiali'i; 3) Wailuku Single-Family Residential homestead; and 3) Waiehu Mauka Homestead in response to an increased need for housing on the island of Maui due to the wildfires.

1. Summary of the proposal
2. BBBWG member comments

B. Hawaii Public Housing Authority's request for the LHO's determination to proceed in hiring qualified personnel for public housing construction, renovations in compliance with the National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE) standards, vacancy management, accommodations for individuals with disabilities, housing vouchers, inspections, and staff recruitment.

1. Summary of the proposal
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C. Hawaii Public Housing Authority's request for the LHO's determination to proceed with the construction project, Hale Aloha O Puna in Keaau, Hawai'i, to accommodate very low-income tenants displaced by fires caused by Hurricane Dora's high winds.

1. Summary of the proposal
2. BBBWG member comments”

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**Cc:** [hawaii.chapter@sierraclub.org](mailto:hawaii.chapter@sierraclub.org)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Build beyond barriers  
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Aloha. I have concerns about governor Greens proclamation. I agree we need housing but from what I am experiencing living in Kaka'ako, I don't trust the developers will be pono without 'supervision'. I live at Pohulani elderly, a 42 story condo is being built right next door, less than 20 feet from our building - the 1976 bill that created HCDA to build kakaako for affordable housing- you really need to update that turn into the reality of today. This condo has affordable housing units starting at \$535,000 affordable for whom, certainly not Oahu residents who need housing. And those affordable units are looking out their back doors at the parking garage and gasoline fumes, so are the residents of Pohulani. The developers said they would be considerate, they are not. They began building April 2022, but didn't get permit until sept 2022. Working supposedly Monday-Saturday 7am to 5.30pm. Many times they were starting at 5am, 5.30am. And the indoor crew started everyday at 6am - why bother with the permitting dept as they don't abide by it. Howard Hughes is building some affordable units but now says maybe they will just pay the fine instead. The 1976 bill said buildings had to be 300' from each other, this one is less than 20. Also they could not block sea breezes or trades, this blocks our breezes - we are not an ac building, so depend on those winds. Gov. Green is a doctor, he took an oath to do no harm, there are no short cuts in the emergency rooms, and doctors have malpractice insurance in case they happen to mess up - there are protocols in place. Developers have no such restrictions- they are in business to make money period. Please please be pono, there are many ways we can build sustainable- New Zealand has been experimenting with a new material. Here in Hawaii we could be using building bamboo, where can be grown here, putting more of our residents to work here, also hemp which grows in 3 months. We can eliminate the red tape without eliminating the needed restrictions, ie sustainable, compatible with climate change, ie micro solar grids. My concern is that we will start out with the best of intentions and then those good intentions will fall thru the cracks. In 1976 the state legislature created the HCDA to develop kakaako with affordable housing, light industry etc. well, we see how far that got HCDA owned 5 affordable buildings -30% of one's income - that real affordable housing, not the present system you have a coming up with that figure. In 2019 HCDA sold 5 of those buildings to Stanford Carr and now those who moved in after he bought it are paying market value, my rent is \$1600. - I can live here only because of section 8. 5 affordable buildings, 1000 apartments, no longer. And many who are now moving in, are housing first - smoking in non smoking buildings, mgt does nothing- drugs, drunks ruining naked in the hallways, or banging on others doors- many older residents are afraid. Housing first need homes but not with the elderly, even if they are elderly. They need supervision, rehabilitation and acclimating back into society after living on the streets for many years - some halls smell because those tenants don't bath. I have 2 friends who lived in affordable housing next to meth and crack smokers, being poisoned. One went to emergency twice because she couldn't breathe, think. This is not pono. Again mgt does nothing. One friend was just moved to another unit in the building, next to another meth smoker. Please listen to the people, revise this proclamation to put back in rules to make sure we and the governor get what we want in a pono manner for the highest good of all and the next 7 generations. Mahalo for listening. Maheshi

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Patricia Holt

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Respectfully,  
Serina Cornelio Doty

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Signed,  
Ramani

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Sincerely,  
Kristen Gowen

[REDACTED]



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Signed, Maui Resident, Laura Civitello

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Meni K. Ortiz

[REDACTED]  
Kapolei, Hawaii. 96707  
[REDACTED]  
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Signed  
Nina Kanarek  
Resident of  
Makawao  
Maui,

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Elisa Plauche RN

[REDACTED]  
Haiku, HI 96708  
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Signed,  
Malar Balaratnaraj

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: The Governors Proclamation  
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## AN ACT

CONFIRMING CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS OF THE KING AND PRIVY COUNCIL, PASSED ON THE 21<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, A. D. 1849, GRANTING TO THE COMMON PEOPLE ALLODIAL TITLES FOR THEIR OWN LANDS AND HOUSE LOTS, AND CERTAIN OTHER PRIVILEGES.

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- SECTION 1. 2. Fee-simple titles to be granted to natives occupying certain lands.
3. Land commission empowered to grant fee-simple titles.
4. Certain government lands on each island to be offered for sale.
5. House lots not to exceed one quarter of an acre.
6. Grants of kalo ground to be limited to actual cultivation by each claimant.
7. Certain rights reserved to natives.

BE IT ENACTED by the *House of Nobles and Representatives of the Hawaiian Islands, in Legislative council assembled* :

That the following sections which were passed by the King, in privy council on the 21<sup>st</sup> of December, A. D. 1849, when the legislature was not in session, be and are hereby confirmed ; and that certain other provisions be inserted, as follows :

1. That fee-simple titles, free of commutation, be and are hereby granted to all native tenants, who occupy and improve any portion of any government land, for the lands they so occupy and improve, and whose claims to said lands shall be recognized as genuine by the land commission : Provided, however, that this resolution shall not extend to konohikis or other persons having the care of government lands, or to the house lots and other lands in which the government have an interest in the districts of Honolulu, Lahaina and Hilo.

2. By and with the consent of the King and chiefs in privy council assembled, it is hereby resolved, that fee-simple titles, free of commutation, be and are hereby granted to all native tenants who occupy and improve any lands other than those mentioned in the preceding resolution, held by the King or any chief or konohiki for the land they so occupy and improve: Provided, however, that this resolution shall not extend to house lots or other lands situated in the districts of Honolulu, Labaina and Hilo.

3. That the board of commissioners to quiet land titles be, and is hereby empowered to award fee-simple titles in accordance with the foregoing resolutions; to define and separate the portions of lands belonging to different individuals; and to provide for an equitable exchange of such different portions, where it can be done, so that each man's land may be by itself.

4. That a certain portion of the government lands in each island shall be set apart, and placed in the hands of special agents, to be disposed of in lots of from one to fifty acres, in fee-simple, to such natives as may not be otherwise furnished with sufficient land, at a minimum price of fifty cents per acre.

5. In granting to the people, their house lots in fee-simple, such as are separate and distinct from their cultivated lands, the amount of land in each of said house lots shall not exceed one quarter of an acre.

6. In granting to the people their cultivated grounds, or kalo lands, they shall only be entitled to what they have really cultivated, and which lie in the form of cultivated lands; and not such as the people may have cultivated in different spots, with the seeming intention of enlarging their lots; nor shall they be entitled to the waste lands.

7. When the landlords have taken allodial titles to their lands, the people on each of their lands, shall not be deprived of the right to take firewood, house timber, also cord, thatch, or ti leaf, from the land on which they live, for their own private use, should they need



them, but they shall not have a right to take such articles to sell for profit. They shall also inform the landlord or his agent, and proceed with his consent. The people shall also have a right to drinking water, and running water, and the right of way. The springs of water, and running water, and roads shall be free to all, should they need them, on all lands granted in fee-simple: Provided, that this shall not be applicable to wells and water courses which individuals have made for their own use.

Done and passed at the council house in Honolulu, this 6th day of August, A. D. 1850.

KAMEHAMEHA.

KEONI ANA.



To: Nani Medeiros Office Housing and working group Building Back Better.

I strongly oppose the Governor's Emergency Proclamation on Housing which ultimately gives unprecedented authority to one person (Nani Medeiros) without any public oversight and discretion. She is not elected but appointed by the Governor.

In the Governor's Proclamation as  
Suspension of Laws

Section 1 27A-1 3(3), HRS. To the extent necessary to expedite the acquisition, construction, repair, renovation, and occupancy of housing that is designed exclusively for permanent, temporary, or transitional occupancy by persons experiencing homelessness or at risk of being homeless, and the provision of services to those persons, I hereby suspend the following statutes and regulations:

HRS Chapter 6E Historic Preservation.

Basically all the laws created to protect the Town of Lahaina eliminated to fast track your build back better agenda. This will also apply to all lands across the State of Hawaii.

Subverts all Collective bargaining laws to private interests and developers. Let me remind you Joshua Greene. HGEA members dues went into supporting your campaign. I'm sure the Carpenters Union has filled your campaign in exchange contracts to fast track development and screwed every Government Employee working under your tenure.

HRS Chapter 171 Public Lands  
HRS Section 183C Conservation District  
HRS Chapter 205 Land Use Commission  
HRS Coastal Zone Management

These are laws in place which falls under the ceded land inventory better known as stolen Hawaiian Kingdom Government and Crown lands. Including all schools, parks, ports, government buildings, Ag lands, roads and water resources. This does not include 200,000 acres set aside for DHHL which every administration has failed to develop but has strategically swapped and pillaged for commercial use without fair market value and oversight.

This administration should pass legislation for foreign investments and land speculation for profits. Tax foreign investors higher if they are not residing in these homes and penalize them if they sell the properties under 10 years of ownership. Affordable housing already has restrictions and provisions in their deeds to homeowners. You already have out of military homeowners who do not live here but rent to military families only. Military families already have an advantage because the government subsidizes their rent. So guess what the money

does not stay here.

We don't have a housing shortage. We have a foreign investment problem and our representatives fail to tackle this problem because they are owned by corporate interest.

Kupa'a ma ka 'oia'i'o a me ka pololei.

Ke Akua pu,

Ka'iulani J. Lambert



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
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Signed

Yvonne Agrigado

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] BBBWG Testimony  
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To Whom it may Concern

The working group for the RESTORATION, Not REDEVELOPEMENT of Lahaina should include current residents and Kupuna of Lahaina to ensure that such work will be done in a way that is Pono and acceptable to people and the spirit of Lahaina. Do not let foreign or malignant developers in who do not have the best interests of the Ohana of Lahaina at heart and the wealth of culture and history that Lahaina is . And that is where all such decisions for Lahaina should be made; from the HEART, not the pocket. Don't leave us out.

Also, the place name is Honokowai, not Honakawai or Hanakawai or any derivative thereof. Please practice cultural sensitivity and educate yourselves on the proper pronunciations of Hawaiian place names.

Mahalo  
Kainoa Wilson

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Lahaina Maui  
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Myrica Morningstar

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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Aloha please accept the attached document as testimony for the 8/29 BBBWG meeting.

Mahalo, Mahina

***Rep. Mahina Poepoe***

House District 13

**TESTIMONY TO THE  
Build Beyond Barriers Working Group (BBBWG)  
August 29, 2023 9:30 - 11:30 A.M.**

Testifier: Representative Mahina Poepoe  
House District 13

Aloha Lead Housing Officer Medeiros and BBBWG members:

Mahalo for allowing the submission of written testimony. For future meetings, please consider holding these meetings on the island where the projects are being proposed. I urge you also to allow virtual and in-person oral testimony.

In regard to the DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands) Honokowai water system and Leiali'i Phase 1B projects proposed for approve/deny determinations on the 8/29 agenda – Please put these on hold until the community has had time to grieve and recover and until more outreach is done to meaningfully inform and engage the community on the project details and the exemptions being considered under the Emergency Proclamation relating to Housing.

I understand that both the Honokowai water system and Leiali'i Phase 1B projects have been in the pipeline for more than a decade and significant planning processes and studies have been completed. Still, given the unprecedented, very recent, and tragic disaster close to the project areas, it would be prudent to consider revisiting and updating these plans and studies to include additional safety measures and reflect post-disaster environmental, social, and economic conditions.

The West Maui community is clear in communicating their desire to be included in the processes and decisions that will guide restoration, rebuilding, new-building, land and water use in Lāhaina and the surrounding areas. They have asked the government to support a community-led process. Please honor this request. We should be empowering a path of healing, not cutting the wounds deeper.

By design, the Emergency Proclamation relating to Housing forecloses public participation opportunities that are built into the laws being avoided. I maintain deep concerns relating to the nature and premise of this proclamation and the liabilities and damages that may occur as a result of circumventing laws and rights meant to protect people, environment, and culture.

Mahalo Nui, Mahina

Mahina Poepoe  
State House Representative  
District 13



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Signed,  
Camille Perez

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Mahalo,

Jamie Walker  
Makawao, HI

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Melanie Ellis & Benjamin Smart  
Mountain View Hawaii

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Thank you,  
Kathleen Gildred,  
Owner of Hale Alana in Maui Meadows

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Shelly Stevens

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Haiku, HI 96708  
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August 28, 2023

Build Beyond Barriers Working Group

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Aloha kakou,

I believe what our Lahaina Community needs most now is a guarantee of secure long term housing for 1-2 years during their recovery. People need a sense of safety and stability in order to face the many decisions ahead of them and cannot be waiting in fear for the other shoe to fall.

As for building future housing, there are several projects already approved for West Maui. It seems obvious to begin there before any new projects are begun. Also there are areas in the West Maui community plan that are already approved for building housing. Let's not rush recovery building but follow the wishes and plans of the Lahaina community.

Mahalo for your consideration of this,

Shelly Stevens

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Signed, \_\_\_\_\_Olivia Herron\_\_\_\_\_

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Signed,  
Katherine Friday



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Aloha,

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Signed, your name. Please don't forget this small detail!

Mahalo,  
Mx. Lindsay Ryan,  
MEd, QMHP  
(they/them/theirs)

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Dear Governor Green,

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Signed,  
Kaeleen K Martinez

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Honokaa, HI 96727  
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August 27, 2023

Aloha mai kākou,

My name is Torie Ho'opi'i and I am a kupa of Maui Komohana. I submit testimony on behalf of Kāko'o Haleakalā—a hui of community leaders on Maui. Collectively, we have over 200,000 followers on Instagram and Facebook. In the wake of the Lahaina fires, we strongly oppose all four project proposals in agenda item III. A. While we deeply care about and kāko'o the mission of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (“DHHL”) and getting Kānaka Maoli in homes, it should not happen when our island is still grieving and cannot happen under these circumstances. We are in a crisis. Moving these projects forward is inconsiderate, irresponsible, and hewa.

Decisions about Maui, particularly West Maui, must be made with and by the kama'āina of this place – that is not happening here. With just a few days to consider the proposals and their impacts, talk with one another, and prepare this testimony, there is not enough time for us to meaningfully engage. You've taken us from our community and disaster recovery to worry about these proposals.

We also have significant concerns regarding projects 1 and 2, including whether the Honokōwai aquifer can support another well or additional allocations, given that water use and development tunnel discharge already exceed the 6mg sustainable yield. Given the fires, there are significant concerns about the health and safety of constructing anything in or near burn areas. We need to ensure these areas are safe and that Nani Medeiros and Josh Green are not just putting Native Hawaiians in an Environmental Justice minefield. DHHL beneficiaries deserve better. Water management was already an issue in Maui Komohana before the fires, and recent data shows insufficient groundwater to support existing/planned projects. To really protect our beneficiaries, what really needs to be done is: 1) reinstate the water code, 2) respect the water management area, 3) reinstate Hawai'i's water deputy, Kaleo Manuel, and 4) reinstate the sunshine law.


To be clear, we support the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and Housing for Kānaka Maoli. But it needs to be done in a pono manner. If DHHL really wants to pursue this, let them undertake the safeguards we have in place to protect our iwi kūpuna, people, and natural resources.

Shame on Nani Medeiros and this working group for using Kānaka Maoli, particularly the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, as a brown shield to steamroll fast-track developments. Shame on this working group for proposing these projects while we continue to piece together our community in the face of this disaster and while we are still grieving. We must rebuild Lahaina, but not without the kama'āina of the place. The Governor quickly says he supports rebuilding with the input of the West Maui 'ohana, but here we are, just 3 weeks since the devastating fires. Here we are, the 'ohana of Lele, adamantly opposing these project proposals. Please listen.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

Aloha,

Kāko'o Haleakalā

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To the "Build Beyond Barriers Working Group":

**In my opinion, Gov. Green's Housing Emergency Proclamation (EP) includes nothing to keep new homes — whether for rent or sale — permanently affordable for local residents only.**

So I told the governor's chief housing officer, Nani Medeiros, at the Downtown Honolulu Neighborhood Board meeting this month that the EP sounds as if it was written by real estate and construction industry lobbyists to serve their own self-interests, rather than the public good.

Further, local affordable housing expert Kenna StormoGipson says we need to allocate at least \$600 million annually — not just once, and not only for the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) — to even have a chance to permanently reduce the gap between supply and demand for permanent affordable housing for local residents only.

And note \$600 million per year is currently only about 1% of the state government's annual budget.

So in a true housing "emergency", it would seem requesting this amount from the legislature annually would be entirely justified.

**StormoGipson also believes at least half of all new housing needs to be built NOT for-profit, and must be on free or cheap government-owned land — such as state Sen. Stanley Chang's proposed 99-year leasehold pilot project.**

**Local housing experts also say we can legally restrict new housing to local residents only — without violating the Interstate Commerce Clause of the U.S. Constitution — if we use state and/or county tax money (or discretionary federal money controlled by state and/or county governments) to actually build new housing, instead of our traditional practice of using local taxpayer money to build infrastructure for housing.**

That's a de facto taxpayer-funded handout to private for-profit housing developers, which subsidizes private profits at public expense.

**There's also concern that Chang's 99-year leasehold housing proposal would not remain permanently affordable for future local buyers or renters because it currently lacks any price or residency controls.**

**For example, if a specified amount of new housing is built for local buyers or renters at or below 60% of area median income (AMI), those units should be permanently restricted to future purchase or rent only by future local residents**

**whose incomes also are at or below 60% of AMI, adjusted for inflation.**

**Without permanent price and residency controls, the 99-year leasehold proposal — and, by extension, the governor's EP proposal — will not permanently keep local affordable housing truly local and truly affordable in perpetuity.**

Also missing from the governor's EP are other worthy ideas, including:

>> Limited equity cooperative housing, which allows residents to purchase a share of ownership in a development (rather than an individual unit) if they commit to resell their share at a price determined by formula — which maintains affordability at purchase and long term.

>> 3D-printed housing construction, which is faster, cheaper and more sustainable than traditional construction techniques. In less than 24 hours, 3D printers can build the foundation and walls for a small home at a fraction of the cost of typical construction. 3D-printed homes could rapidly reduce homelessness and make home ownership accessible to all.

**On a more positive note, Medeiros did say she plans to meet with the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development to discuss what is necessary to permanently restrict new affordable housing to local residents only, and how to keep it permanently affordable, in ways similar — but obviously not identical — to DHHL homestead lots.**

So I hope, for the public good, that Governor Green and your working group can explain how he proposes to address the deficiencies described above in his housing emergency proclamation, and before the EP is extended beyond its first 60 days.

Mahalo for your time and consideration.

*Thomas Brandt, 44-year resident of Hawaii, foresight and policy analyst since 1986, former journalist, travel industry manager, planning and economic development specialist, and natural resources conservation specialist, with master's and doctoral degrees in political science from UH-Manoa, specializing in strategic foresight, political economy, public policy, and doctoral dissertation research focusing on the past, present, and possible futures of "economic democracy" and local self-reliance.*

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SINCERELY,  
jeanne angelheart

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TO: Nani Medeiros, Lead Housing Officer  
 Office of Governor Green  
 State of Hawai'i  
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 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813  
 Email: [gov.housing@hawaii.gov](mailto:gov.housing@hawaii.gov)

FROM: Kekai Keahi  
 Lahaina Resident

RE: Testimony in STRONG OPPOSITION to Agenda Item IIIA on the August 29, 2023 agenda of the "Build Beyond Barriers" working group

I strongly oppose the four projects proposed for Maui Nui as outlined in the first meeting agenda of the Build Beyond Barriers working group. I have many reasons for my opposition, but because I only had one weekend to review all of the materials and write this testimony, I will only focus on four of those reasons.

**1. Do Not Build Beyond the Sustainable Yield**

In the long process to designate the Maui Komohana Water Management Area, we learned that the water resources for Honokōwai are already beyond their sustainable yield of six million gallons per day (mgd). Beyond sustainable yield means further withdrawals of water risk turning the whole aquifer too salty to drink. There is no benefit from these projects that are worth risking the permanent loss of our precious drinking water resources.

The Honokōwai aquifer is already over the sustainable yield. This image is from the staff submittal by the Water Commission's staff for their June 2022 meeting on designating Maui Komohana as a surface and groundwater management area.

**Table 13. Current (December 2021) 12-month Moving Average (MAV)**

<i>Includes reported pumpage and for aquifer systems in the Lahaina Aquifer Sector. development tunnel discharge and existing entitled/authorized planned use (APU) [million gallons per day, mgd] Aquifer System</i>	SY	2020 12-MAV	2021 12-MAV	Develop. tunnel discharge	APU*	total existing + APU	% SY	other perm. well capacity	total incl. other perm. well capacity	% SY
Ukumehame	2	0.042	0.065	0	1.08	1.145	57%	0	1.145	57%
Olowalu	2	0.082	0.069	0.1	0.003	0.167	8%	0.065	0.167	8%
<b>Launiupoko</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1.637</b>	<b>1.303</b>	<b>3.91</b>	<b>1.036</b>	<b>6.249</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>1.433</b>	<b>7.682</b>	<b>110%</b>
<b>Honokōwai</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3.48</b>	<b>4.008</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>2 533</b>	<b>9.041</b>	<b>151%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9.041</b>	<b>151%</b>
Honolulu	8	2.131	2.534	0	1 969	4.503	56%	0	4.503	56%



In 2021, Honokōwai was already at 6.508 mgd when the 2021 12-month moving average was added to the development tunnel discharge. But the sustainable yield for this aquifer is only 6. This doesn't include the additional 2.533 mgd in authorized planned use (which included DHHL's reservation). This also does not include any consideration about potential contamination given the burn area, let alone legacy contamination from pineapple.

Because of the decades of water wasted and misused in Maui Komohana, we are now in a situation where we cannot afford to even risk taking this kind of chance with the Honokōwai freshwater source. This is why I and many others are restating our demand that our water be restored. The rebuilding of Lahaina begins with the restoring of our streams. This is something our community has fought for nearly 20 years. Right now, because the minimum streamflow standards are not being enforced, we are seeing the streams begin to run dry once again. These streams are our lifeblood. We followed the law to have our streams restored and protected. Now that the immediate threat of fire has passed we expect our streams to be returned immediately.

We also demand that Kaleo Manuel be reinstated as Deputy Director of the Water Commission, and the requirements of the Sunshine Law be upheld, and the designation of the Maui Komohana Water Management Area be respected.

## **2. Nothing For Us Without Us**

There is nothing for us, the long-time residents of Maui Komohana, in decisions that are made without us. I understand that people in Honolulu may think they are helping us by moving quickly to build something in our community, but rushing us through this kind of serious decision is not helping. We are dealing with multiple levels of very intense trauma right now. We cannot be making snap decisions about things that will affect the quality of life here for many decades.

It is true that some of the projects proposed on this agenda have long been discussed amongst the residents of Maui Komohana and Leialii specifically, but it is also true that some of these projects have not been well vetted. I am especially concerned about the proposed well. It is also true that the circumstances in Maui Komohana have changed significantly. We are not the same people we were last month. Our landscape has been profoundly altered. Honestly, we don't even know the extent of how different things will be after the wildfires. The discussions we had about the future that took place before the wildfires are not the same as the discussions we will have about the future from this

day forward.

So, please: do not assume that you folks in Honolulu know what is best for us here in Lahaina. There is no way you could know what is best for us, because at this point even we are not yet sure of that. There is still so much more we need to do to heal and plan before we can decide on new construction and new wells.

### **3. Lahaina's Recovery Deserves Patient Consideration, Not the Fast Track**

Lahaina's recovery deserves more than this kind of hammajang process. We are worth the time and effort to get it right this time when we build something. What is happening now is too fast and too harmful.

We all support more homesteads and sufficient resources including water to make that happen. But, there are some iwi concerns related to projects 3 and 4 -- see Appendix D-1 and D-2 (high probability of burials, re-deposited remains: Wailuku and Waiehu Mauka - [https://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/erp/EA\\_EIS\\_Library/2009-11-08-MA-DEA-Waiehu-Mauka-Affordable-Housing.pdf](https://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/erp/EA_EIS_Library/2009-11-08-MA-DEA-Waiehu-Mauka-Affordable-Housing.pdf) (see Appendix D-1 and D-2)). There are also water and other issues related to projects 1 and 2, such as the issues i just described. Also, given how much permitting and other compliance has already been done, these projects are almost all the way through the process.

The proposals on today's agenda are so fast-tracked there was not enough time to proofread it. It is so deeply insulting that you cannot even bother to get the names right of the places you are proposing to bulldoze.

Moving this fast to build new housing around Lahaina will cause more conflict in the future. For DHHL to build now, here, means that Native Hawaiian beneficiaries on the waiting list for a home will be moved into Maui Komohana. Moving new people in before restoring the homes and waters of the people already living here is just wrong, and it will further divide our community.

DHHL beneficiaries please understand, we want housing for you, all Hawaiians, and all of the people of Lahaina. But right here, right now, is not the time or place for new DHHL beneficiaries to move in. Hopefully, someday, we will be in a good position to welcome you all into our community, but not today. We are still looking for our loved ones.

I already got up at a press conference, along with several other multi-generational families of Lahaina, and politely asked that redevelopment of Lahaina not be considered until after our community has had time to grieve the immense loss we are suffering. To be clear, not now means NO.

To be honest, to me it feels like the need to build more housing for Native Hawaiians – which even the Governor acknowledges has been a problem since the U.S. came to Hawai'i – is being used to justify the first actions taken under this emergency proclamation on housing. We saw this Governor scapegoat Kaleo Manuel for the wildfires. I am not going to allow him to scapegoat the Native Hawaiian beneficiaries for a forced building boom in Maui Komohana.

For now, we need to take care of the people who are already living at Leialii and are struggling with damaged homes and severely restricted access to clean water. The wildfires released toxins into many of our groundwater supplies. And more testing still needs to be done.

For now, in Lahaina, the focus should be on temporary housing and policies that supplement rents on Maui for the next several years. That will help to immediately house the families of Lahaina, and give us all time to process what has happened to us and how we want to heal.

#### **4. Lahaina Deserves a Fundamentally New Approach**

Lahaina is a wetland. It was made into a desert because of decisions made in Honolulu by people who assumed they knew what was best for us, when really they were just doing what was best for them. Decisions like these are how we got to where we are, and where we are is not okay.

The proposals on the table today are half-baked, if that. You know how I can tell this body has not thought about these proposals in any meaningful way? The typos. If you are in such a rush that you cannot bother to proof-read the agenda or post to the correct links or provide the materials more than a weekend before the meeting, then you are in too much of a rush to making decisions that will have lasting impacts on the quality of life for me and my family ā mau loa.

When we are ready to begin the rebuilding of Lahaina, I want a decision-making process that centers the multi-generational families of Lahaina, of all backgrounds and ethnicities. I want a decision-making process that focuses on the best interests of future generations, not the whims of short-term benefits. I want a process that does not cater to the financial wants of developers and water purveyors. Lahaina deserves a fundamentally new approach to redevelopment that actually meets the needs of our community now and into the future.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide written testimony. The next time you meet to discuss decisions affecting Lahaina, the meeting should be held on Maui so that we can

participate in the discussion.

Aloha,

Kekai Keahi  
Lahaina, Maui

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Aloha, My name is Lilinoe Kahae. I would like to submit a testimony in regards to the Governor's Emergency Proclamation for Affordable Housing. I do support this Proclamation - HOWEVER, with the following amendments or stipulations. Please consider the following conditions:

1.) We the community of Maui ask that you give preference to Lahaina residence FIRST, than the remaining residence of Maui. Due to the wildfires on Maui, mainly Lahaina - there are thousands of families that are displaced. There is not enough housing for everyone that resides here on Maui with all of those homes that were lost in the Lahaina area.


2.) Please make these "Affordable" housing truly affordable! Buying a home is already challenging for working families. This will be more likely for all of the families that lost their home in Lahaina. Please consider the cost of these affordable homes to be at the most 50% average median income.

3.) Please ensure the water management in Lahaina is done the PONO way. Please be sure to keep ALL environmental protections in place for water management for the sake of the health of groundwater and streams.

4.) And last but definitely not least, please include the Sunshine Law. The community's voice is crucial. Our community has voted for our elected officials trusting you folks to have the best interest of our people. PLEASE PLEASE include us when it comes to making important decisions that will mainly affect us!

Mahalo for taking the time to accept my testimony. Our community is relying on our government to make the right decisions, and by doing that, would mean to discuss with those of the Maui community and to follow their lead as they know what is best for their community, especially during these difficult times.

Mahalo,  
Lilinoe Kahae

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To whom it may concern;

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Thank you!

Joseph Coffin

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Pacifica,ca 94044

I have family and friends in Hawaii . This affects all of us, we are all connected! Lokahi!

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Sincerely, Christina Coffman

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Testimony for conditional DHHO support. 1. Preference to Lahaina residents first. 2. Insure Housing is truly affordable at 50% average medium income. 3. Insure current water management protection and IIIIF remain in place. 4. Amend proclamation to include sunshine so the community can have a voice in these areas.

Mahalo for your support.

Misa Sogawa

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Mahalo,  
Tria Galera  
Maui resident

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Signed,

Molli K. Fleming

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Kind regards,  
Katie Clement

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## WRITTEN TESTIMONY

For the Building Beyond Barriers Working Group Meeting, August 29, 2023, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

To the Members of the Building Beyond Barriers Working Group:

I am writing as a kama‘āina of Lahaina, a descendant of many generations who fished its waters and worked its lands. I lost family in the Lahaina Fire on August 8, 2023, and nearly all of our family homes were burned down, along with priceless relics of our family’s past.

I have read that, at this August 29 meeting, LHO Medeiros will “provide an updated perspective on the Build Beyond Barriers Working Group’s role in the context of housing and the redevelopment of Lahaina.” I caution you to consider that role carefully. Consider the people you are trying to serve. How will you use your unprecedented powers? Will you command and control the redevelopment of Lahaina, or will you act as true leaders and listen to the desires of its people?

First, let me observe that you may be moving too quickly. Give the people of Lahaina time to mourn their loved ones, their homes, and their beloved hometown before you act to redevelop.

As members of the Building Beyond Barriers Working Group, you are endowed with great power under the Governor’s Emergency Proclamation on Housing. It would be a grave mistake for you to use that power without exhaustively considering the potential consequences of your actions. If you act unwisely, your mistake may *never* be remedied. Do not act rashly or hastily because you believe your intervention is needed. Even if your intentions are good, your actions may nonetheless alter the character of Lahaina Town forever.

I note that nothing in the Governor’s Emergency Proclamations currently allows preference for housing units to be given to people who were displaced or otherwise affected by the Lahaina Fire of August 8, 2023. Before you act, take steps to ensure that your actions will benefit the people who actually need your help.

If you choose to act, do no more than guide and facilitate the rebuilding of Lahaina Town. Ensure that it is done in a way that honors Lahaina’s long history, its rich traditions, and the people who made it special. Do not attempt to control this process from the top; you must allow yourselves to be led by the people who actually lived in Lahaina and understood its character. The town of Lahaina was made special and unique by the generations of working-class families who lived there, many of them living in plantation-era cottages that expanded to suit the needs of growing families. The people of Lahaina are proud and have a strong sense of place. Please follow them.

Last, be mindful of the impact that the construction of additional housing units will have on the water that Lahaina so desperately needs. Keep in mind that these brushfires are becoming only more common, with several occurring in West Maui since August 8, 2023. Plan carefully to avoid another tragedy like the one that just decimated Lahaina Town. Forge a path that will

one day see a green and beautiful Lahaina for our grandchildren, even more beautiful and more welcoming than the one our grandparents left to us.

Me ka 'oia'i'o,  
C.K.

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Signed, Wendy L. Rundel, former longtime Hawai'i resident

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Respectfully,  
Tamara Sindorf

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Signed,  
Terri Dawson, MSW

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Signed,  
Ron Merritt

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PLEASE READ!!! Please allow Okay all Hawai'i lovers locals and Kānaka There is a very very important meeting happening Tuesday at the capital regarding Lāhainā and Maui. So I'm putting the kāhea\* Call out to all you folks and anyone willing to support this literally will only take 5 seconds and make a BIG impact WHEREVER you are from. Every email must be submitted by tomorrow 9am HST/ 3pm EST/ 12Noon Mst&PST Please Kōkua Help us send these testimonies out! **1** Start an email and address it to [Gov.housing@hawaii.gov](mailto:Gov.housing@hawaii.gov) **2** Subject line is TESTIMONY **3** Copy/paste THIS testimony. (Will write in comments as well for cleaner copy/paste for phone users) EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions: 1. Prioritize preference to Lāhainā residents, then Maui residents for housing in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands) 2. Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement 50% of average median income, and not 140%. 3. Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place. 4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law. 5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions about the development, and NOT Nani Medeiros who was NOT ELECTED. Signed, your name. Please don't forget this small detail!  
JoAnne k. Scheltens

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Please help !!!!!

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Thank-you

Stephanie Feldmann

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You should not be holding this meeting in the county of Honolulu due to the fact that it is pertaining to the county of Lahaina. This meeting should not take place at all but if it does it should be void and no decisions made will remain valid. This corruption is despicable. You must do better.

Sincerely,  
**Jessica Wertheim**


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4. Amend the proclamation to include the Sunshine Law (The Sunshine Law is Hawaii's open meetings law)

Thank you,  
Jessa Humphrey

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Signed: Mera Gagnon

I lived in Kihei and had a business at Azeka Place for 14 years. My children and grand children live up country. I care...Mahalo for your time.

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Aloha And Mahalo for listening to Lahaina and Maui residents first for trust and to not cause further division in this crisis.

I am an educator and 44 yr resident of Maui county and support the emergency proclamation WITH these conditions

1) Please Expedite the many housing projects already approved in West Maui. Outstanding ones:  
Pulelehua 800 units  
Kaiaulu o Kuku'ia 200 Units.  
DHHL has 800 Acres at Honokawai that can be expedited and prioritized for Lahaina beneficiaries and if possible prioritize Kanaka Maoli.

Our elected Westside Council Tamara Paltin has them all listed in her written testimony.

No new developments considered until these pre-approved projects are built out or the local community collectively expresses a need to change.

2) Ensure Our water Management and interim Instream flow standards remain! East and North Maui also depend On this water as I live On Hanehoi stream

3) Amend proclamation to include Sunshine law for transparency and trust. We want to know Whats going on! We must have trust in the process.

4) Absolutely prioritize Lahaina residents and their immediate needs for 1-2 Year leases for families who need kitchens, education for keiki, Mortgage relief, Rental assistance, child care, and huge Social services. Already 5 suicides.

5) Make Sure that Nani Medieros is consulting regularly with Lahaina representatives, especially Tamara Paltin' Maui's Westside elected official who is On the ground working every Day, along with Local West side community leaders. Ms Medieros cannot drive decisions as an unelected housing official from Oahu in Gov Greens first term. This will create more division and distrust. We need as much solidarity in the recovery as is Humanly possible.

With prayers, Such a challenging time. Mahalo nō and Thank you for listening.

Amy Joyce Chang  
8/28/2023



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Nicolay Kreidler

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**Nicolay H Kreidler**

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Nichole Acheson

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This is the right thing to do.

Ku'ulei Leialoha Wilton

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Signed,

Lynda M Murakami-Nishimoto

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Signed,  
Jennifer Hovden

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## EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

Aloha,

Thank you for asking for input. Kama'aina and long time residents need and appreciate having a say in the way our lives are unfolding here.

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

- 1. Prioritize preference to Lāhainā residents, then long time Maui residents for housing in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands)** This does not mean mainland malahini who come here to make \$\$ and invest in owning many rentals and jacking up the prices so they can make their many mortgages.
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Thank you and aloha no,

Nina Cherry

Kula, Maui

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Patrice A Federspiel


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Signed,

Susan Minton



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Signed, Leslie Bacon

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Mahalo,  
Arnold Kotler  
Kihei, Maui

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Mahalo,

Catherine Velasquez  
Maui resident

*Follow your heart, it leads from love.*

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Aloha,

Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and compete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight.

I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plain reports and sma or sma major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling and I'm concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't just get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted.

These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in gov greens broad sweeping overreach which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage the limited resources, protect water aquifers and ocean from pollution, protect from overdevelopment on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and sma major for rebuilding of Lahaina.

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I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow gov green to keep this proclamation allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to

protect cultural sites that may be dug up during excavation.

I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects.

I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,  
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## TESTIMONY ON EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

1. Prioritize preference to Lāhainā residents, then Maui residents for housing in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands)
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement 50% of the average median income, not 140%.
3. Ensure our water management and the Interim In-stream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions
6. Install a Procurement Tzar to ensure funds don't disappear.

Thank you

Sam Small

Director, Maui Causes

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## **EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY**

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**Lee Raden**  
**Makawao , HI**



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#### EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

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Thank you,  
Martha B. Ingalls (R)  
Beach Breeze Vacation Rentals

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I am resident of Maui and support and require these measures be enforced for the benefit of our People

Sincerely, Sandia Siegel

### **EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY**

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Sandia Siegel  
author of Enjoy the Ride  
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Aloha,

Resident of Maui. I'd like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected.

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I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,  
Dr. Vinayak

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Hello!

I support the Emergency Proclamation with 4 conditions.

1. Prioritizing preference to Lahaina RESIDENTS, then Maui residents in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands).
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement: 50% of average median income, and not 140%.
3. Ensure Lahaina resident's water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law. (The Sunshine Law is Hawaii's open meetings law)

The world is watching, and we pray you do the right thing.

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## **EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY**

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

- 1. Prioritize preference to Lāhainā residents, then Maui residents for housing in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands)**
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement 60% of average median income, and not 140%.
3. Ensure our water management and the Interim In stream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
- 5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions**

**Mahalo!**  
**Kathy**

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### EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

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Signed,  
Lynne Kemmer

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Aloha,

As a citizen of Hawaii and resident of Maui. I'd like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal Gov Green's emergency housing proclamation.

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I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling and I'm concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers.

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Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

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## **EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY**

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**Judith Davis- Pukalani, Maui**

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Judith Shivani Davis

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Re: EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

I support the Emergency Proclamation ONLY WITH the following conditions:

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Mahalo,

Elvira Di'Brigit

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## EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

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With aloha,  
Megan Nolan

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Aloha,

I am a Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. I'd like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal Gov. Green's emergency housing proclamation.

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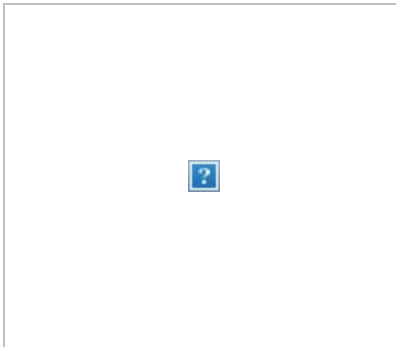
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The intention was solely for affordable housing. Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,  
Liana Auli'i

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**Liana Jean Auli'i**  
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**Get The priorities straight!**

## **EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY**

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Be Well, Be Kind, Be Light, Be Love, Be truth

**"I hold love, peace, joy, prosperity  
and harmony for all life"**

Love and Angel Light in Motion,

 Elise

Makawao HI

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I support the Emergency Proclamation with conditions.

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3. Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS).
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.

Thank you,  
Alda Gamil

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Aloha,

My name is Ashley N. Kukuk, Maui resident for 3.5 years. First came to Maui 10 years ago as a passionate young person looking for a place that was just, equitable and fair to its people. In the wake of the Lahaina destruction I am writing as a concerned Citizen and to submit my testimony in support of the REPEAL of Gov. Green's emergency housing proclamation signed Aug 1 2023.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not elected by the public.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing and in light of the devastation and complete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight.

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I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as THE RISK OF IT BEING MISUSED in Lahaina IS TOO HIGH. It is absolutely unconscionable to allow

Gov. Green and the State of Maui to keep this proclamation intact allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dug up during excavation.

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I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,

Ashley N. Kukuk

[REDACTED], Haiku-Pauwela, HI

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Aloha Nani Medieros,

The community of West Maui and more specifically Lāhainā should be supported in developing redevelopment plans that reflect the visions the West Maui Community in the context of housing and the redevelopment of Lahaina. The state should help find projects that the community supports.

All decisions regarding development throughout the islands should be made in a transparent way that respects the laws and the people of the islands. Better outreach and listening to communities leads to better developments.

Good community outreach and planning can lead to broadly supported plans as is evidenced by the developments by Ikaika 'Ohana and Pulelehua in West Maui. The developers of these projects worked through citizen concerns and ended up with broad support from the community. Please remember the people you are building for should have a voice in what is being built.

Mahalo for you time,  
Karen Comcowich  
Lāhainā, Hawai'i

Mahalo

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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Aloha,

Life of the land should be considered first. Meaning trees, water management, green materials, public spaces and all decided by community.

No continent contracts should be awarded for ANY construction. No foreign investment of any kind including continental US. You must live in Hawai'i full time to purchase property. Community involvement EVERY step of the way a MUST.

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Aloha And Mahalo for listening to Lahaina and Maui residents first for trust and to not cause further division in this crisis.

I am an educator and 19 yr resident of Maui County and

support the emergency proclamation WITH these conditions

1) Please Expedite the many housing projects already approved in West Maui.

Outstanding ones:

Pulelehua 800 units

Kaiaulu o Kuku'ia 200 Units.

DHHL has 800 Acres at Honokawai that can be expedited and prioritized for Lahaina beneficiaries and if possible prioritize Kanaka Maoli.

Our elected Westside Council Tamara Paltin has them all listed in her written testimony.

No new developments considered until these pre-approved projects

are built out or the local community collectively expresses a need to change.

2) Ensure Our water Management and interim Instream flow standards remain! East and North Maui also depend on this water.

3) Amend proclamation to include Sunshine law for transparency and trust. We want to know whats going on! We must have trust in the process.

4) Absolutely prioritize Lahaina residents and their immediate needs for 1-2 Year leases for families who need kitchens, education for keiki, mortgage relief, rental assistance, child care, and huge social services. Already 5 suicides.

5) Make Sure that Nani Medieros is consulting regularly with Lahaina representatives, especially Tamara Paltin' Maui's Westside elected official who is on the ground working every day, along with local west side community leaders. Ms Medieros cannot drive decisions as an unelected housing official from Oahu in Gov Green's first term. This will create more division and distrust. We need as much solidarity in the recovery as is humanly possible.

With prayers, Such a challenging time. Mahalo nō and Thank you for listening.

Mahalo,

Melita Charan

8/28/2023

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Aloha,

I support the emergency proclamation WITH CONDITIONS:

- 1) Prioritizing housing for Lahaina residents first, then Maui residents in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands).
- 2) Ensure that housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement 50% of average median income as opposed to 140%.
- 3) Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
- 4) Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law. The Sunshine Law is Hawai'i's Open Meeting Law.

Mahalo,  
Iolani Yamashiro-Rahimi

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I am in support with conditions on the following;

1. Please give preference of Hawaiian homelands to residents of Lāhainā first. All other Maui residents second, then all other islands following Lāhainā and island of Maui residents.
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable. 50% average median income, rather than 140% which most locals cannot qualify for.
3. Please ensure our water management area and interim entry flow standards remain in place, for the health of groundwater and streams.
4. Amend the Affordable Housing/Emergency Proclamation, to include the Sunshine Law. It allows transparency, and everyone a voice.

Mahalo,  
Mililani Peck

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Aloha Governor Green

Thank you for your support of Maui and its community during these tragic events.

There are many regulations and laws that could help with restoration of Lahaina and Kula. Most unfortunately are with the jurisdiction of the Maui County Council.

Our company is currently representing 2 developers that prior to the fires were creating Workforce Housing.

The AMI scales did not work as written and favored higher brackets, the 20yr deed restrictions made over half of our local people turn down our last project. 10yrs is sufficient.

SMA waivers, fast track permits and maybe choices of pre-approved plans could benefit the people. Many of these homes were built pre the new building codes. There should be flexibility if safety is not impacted.

The county should have restoration planning in with our emergency plan with the hope it isn't needed.

Most of all the people who were affected should have the say on their private property.

Aloha, Gina Duncan R PB  
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Aloha,

In light of the recent devastating events on Maui and particularly in Lahaina, I am writing to you today in support albeit with conditions for the good of ALL, especially Kanaka Maoli. The conditions are to protect the most vulnerable people of Lahaina, Maui & Hawai'i Nei which is something all good humans would be willing to do in such a time of crisis as this, ya?

- 1) Please give waitlist preference to number one, Lahaina residents first. This ought to be obvious. Then Kanaka Maoli and Kama A'ina of Maui and all of Hawai'i before giving to off island peoples.
- 2) Please make sure that the housing is truly affordable (again this ought to be obvious) by lowering the average median income to 50%.
- 3) Please make sure that water management area and environmental protection is in place such as I.I.F.S...is in place.
- 4) Please please please consider amending the emergency proclamation to include Sunshine Law.

Mahalo for your kokua.

Malama Lāhainā.  
Malama A'ina.

Me ke Aloha,  
Mia Klein  
Concerned Citizen of Haiku, Maui

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Aloha e,

I am writing to support the Emergency Proclamation, but only if it includes the following conditions:

1. Prioritize preference to Lāhainā residents first, then Maui residents second for housing in Department of Hawaiian Home Lands
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement 50% of average median income, and not 140%.
3. Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Ensure that environmental standard are upheld, so that further damage is not done to the land, streams or ocean
5. Amend the proclamation to include the Sunshine Law.
6. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions

Mahalo,  
Paul Solomon  
[REDACTED]  
Makawao, Maui

Paul Solomon, MA, LCSW  
[REDACTED]

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Aloha,

I also am proposing a moratorium on rent control across the whole island so land lords can not price gauge the injured island especially those that don't even live on island  
No rent increase during this time of emergency

Please also a stimulus for the whole island because the whole island is hurting without tourists I lost my job bc I no more tourists are coming to the island

Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and compete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight.

I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plain reports and sma or sma major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling and I'm concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't just get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted.

These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in gov greens broad sweeping overreach which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage the limited resources, protect water aquifers and ocean from pollution, protect from overdevelopment on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and sma major for rebuilding of Lahaina.

This emergency proclamation makes the oversight and permitting powers of the planning department completely obsolete and consolidates compete authority into the hands of one individual. It is unjust and in no way equitable or fair to take away all of the protections for Maui building and development.

I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow gov green to keep this proclamation allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dud up during excavation.

I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects.

I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,

Sent from my iPhone

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Aloha Hawaii officials,  
I am submitting testimony with conditional support.  
The conditions are as follows:

1. For DHHL, please give preference first to Lahaina residents and then Maui residents.
2. Ensure housing is affordable, consider 50% average median income.
3. Ensure the water management area and interim entry flow standards remain in place.
4. Consider amending the emergency proclamation to include the Sunshine Law for both affordable housing and a Lahaina fire disaster recovery and build.

Mahalo for your time and consideration,  
Susan Sherman

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Aloha,

I support the emergency proclamation WITH CONDITIONS:

- 1) Prioritizing housing for Lahaina residents first, then Maui residents in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands).
- 2) Ensure that housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement 50% of average median income as opposed to 140%.
- 3) Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
- 4) Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law. The Sunshine Law is Hawai'i's Open Meeting Law.

Mahalo  
Hani Rahimi

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Aloha,

Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. I'd like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal Gov. Green's emergency housing proclamation. I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected. The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and complete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight. I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well as resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plain reports and SMA or SMA major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development. I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling and I'm concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers. I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't just get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted. These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in Gov. Green's broad sweeping overreach which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage the limited resources, protect water aquifers and ocean from pollution, protect from overdevelopment on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and SMA major for rebuilding of Lahaina. This emergency proclamation makes the oversight and permitting powers of the planning department completely obsolete and consolidates complete authority into the hands of one individual. It is unjust and in no way equitable or fair to take away all of the protections for Maui building and development. I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow Gov. Green to keep this proclamation allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dug up during excavation. I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects. I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing. Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words. Kind Regards,  
Kira

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I am in support with conditions on the following;

1. Please give preference of Hawaiian homelands to residents of Lāhainā first. All other Maui residents second, then all other islands following Lāhainā and island of Maui residents.
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable. 50% average median income, rather than 140% which most locals cannot qualify for.
3. Please ensure our water management area and interim entry flow standards remain in place, for the health of groundwater and streams.
4. Amend the Affordable Housing/Emergency Proclamation, to include the Sunshine Law. It allows transparency, and everyone a voice.

Mahalo,  
Trevor Peck



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I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

- 1. Prioritize preference to Lāhainā residents, then Maui residents for housing in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands)**
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement 50% of average median income, and not 140%.
3. Ensure our water management and the Interim In stream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
- 5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions**

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Aloha,

Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and compete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight.

I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plain reports and sma or sma major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling and I'm concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't just get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted.

These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in gov greens broad sweeping overreach which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage the limited resources, protect water aquifers and ocean from pollution, protect from overdevelopment on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and sma major for rebuilding of Lahaina.

This emergency proclamation makes the oversight and permitting powers of the planning department completely obsolete and consolidates compete authority into the hands of one individual. It is unjust and in no way equitable or fair to take away all of the protections for Maui building and development.

I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow gov green to keep this proclamation allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to

protect cultural sites that may be dug up during excavation.

I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects.

I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards

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Aloha,

Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation.

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I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling and I'm concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't just get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted.

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I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,  
Maureen "Maurgana" Stiastry  
Sent from my iPhone

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Aloha And Mahalo for listening to Lahaina and Maui residents first, so there is not further division in this crisis.

I am a psychologist & resident of Maui county and do not support the emergency proclamation unless these conditions are met:

1) Please Expedite the many housing projects already approved in West Maui.

Outstanding ones:

Pulelehua 800 units

Kaiaulu o Kuku'ia 200 Units.

DHHL has 800 Acres at Honokawai that can be expedited and prioritized for Lahaina beneficiaries and prioritize Kanaka Maoli.

Westside Council Tamara Paltin has them all listed in her written testimony.

No new developments considered until these pre-approved projects are built out or the local community collectively expresses a need to change.

2) Ensure Our water Management and interim Instream flow standards remain! East and North Maui also depend on it.

3) Amend proclamation to include Sunshine law for transparency and trust. We want to know all that is going on! We must have trust in the process.

4) Please prioritize Lahaina residents and their immediate needs for 1-2 year leases for families who need kitchens, education for keiki, Mortgage relief, Rental assistance, child care, and huge Social services. Already at least 5 suicides.

5) Ensure that Nani Medieros is consulting regularly with Lahaina representatives, especially Tamara Paltin Maui's Westside elected official who is On the ground working every Day, along with Local West side community leaders. Ms Medieros cannot drive decisions as an unelected housing official from Oahu in Gov Greens first term. This will create more division and distrust. We need as much solidarity in the recovery as possible!

Thank you for your time & attention,

Kim  
8/28/2023

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Aloha My name is Matthew Broderick longtime resident of Maui. Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation. I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected. The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and compete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight. I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plain reports and sma or sma major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development. I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling and I'm concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers. I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't just get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted. These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in gov greens broad sweeping overreach which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage the limited resources, protect water aquifers and ocean from pollution, protect from overdevelopment on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and sma major for rebuilding of Lahaina. This emergency proclamation makes the oversight and permitting powers of the planning department completely obsolete and consolidates compete authority into the hands of one individual. It is unjust and in no way equitable or fair to take away all of the protections for Maui building and development. I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow gov green to keep this proclamation allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dud up during excavation. I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects. I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing. Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words. Kind Regards,

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To whom it may concern,

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH conditions:

1. Prioritizing preference to Lahaina residents, then Maui residents in DHHL (Dept of Hawaiian Home Lands);
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement: 50% of average median income, and not 140%;
3. Ensure that water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place;
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.

The people of Lahaina have just suffered one of the most horrific tragedies we have ever seen in our State. They deserve to be treated with respect and empowered to make decisions about their community. Thanks to social media, the eyes of the world are on Hawaii. Please do right by our people.

Mahalo piha  
JoAnn Tsark, MPH  
Director of Community Engaged Research, UH - JABSOM



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Aloha,

I am a Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. I'd like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal Gov. Green's emergency housing proclamation.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and complete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight.

I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well as resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plain reports and SMA or SMA major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

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I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow Gov. Green to keep this proclamation allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dug up during excavation.

I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects.

I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,  
LISA MEDWEDEFF  
Sent from my iPhone

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Aloha,

Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and compete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight.

**The Lahaina revival needs to be directed by the Hawaiians who have made it plain that the health of the people relies on the health of the land and the WAI has to be returned. Moku'ula needs to be restored. It is what the Hawaiians want and this is the moment to give back what was taken for them. Foods sake, the town is in ashes. Let the culture grow again.**

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,  
Francis Spalluto

I have no idea how the future will unfold.  
And I have a really good feeling about it.

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
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On Mon, Aug 28, 2023 at 9:37 PM Debrah Santi L.Ac. <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Aloha, Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui.

I'd like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal the gov greens emergency housing proclamation. I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected. The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and complete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight.

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As a 30 year resident of Hawaii I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

- 1. Prioritize preference to Lāhainā residents, then Maui residents for housing in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands)**
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement 50% of average median income, and not 140%.
3. Ensure our water management and the Interim In stream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
- 5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions**

**Aloha**

**Colleen Lisowski**

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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Maui Lahaina Hawai'i gov.

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**Kind Regards,**

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Signed...Araya Pathwalker



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Yours faithfully

Judith Robinson

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To Whom It May Concern:

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Mahalo for considering my testimony.

Best Regards,

Yaasika Quist

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Dima Abelsky  
Maui Peace Day Co-Producer

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Kind Regards,

Kylie Higdon



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My name is Ann Pitcaithley. I am a long time resident , registered voter, and homeowner in Wailuku, HI. I am testifying that the following conditions be met regarding the Emergency Proclamation for Housing

The Emergency Proclamation for Housing must include the following;

- Ensure that affordability of homes start at an AMI of 50%, not at 140%
- Give priority to Lahaina residents, followed by Maui residents and Department of Hawaiian Homelands housing
- Sunshine law- to protect transparency in government, and to mandate that all meetings be open providing the public with access. You pledged in your announcement to Lahaina residents that they would have a voice in reconstruction of Lahaina town.
- Ensure availability of water in the area and maintain the interim in stream flow standards (IIFS)

Thank you for allowing me to testify

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me ke aloha pumehana.

// Luanne Teoh

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Sophianada Rowan

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James W Hunter

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Respectfully Submitted,  
Arviella Kelii Benavides

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Mahalo

Toni Engel



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Pumehana Ka'aukai-Cole

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Mahalo,  
Whitney Kerns

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**Please Pono for Maui and those truly in great need!**

**You will be able to look your children and friends in the eyes with integrity!**

**Aloha - Jim - Maui resident - Kihei**

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Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,

Lucy Bell



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 3:06:01 AM

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Aloha,

My name is Jason Abranches, a Maui resident the last 7+ years with deep concerns moving forward. Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation.

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Kind Regards,  
Jason Abranches

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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Jordan Axelrad

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Long overdue  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 3:31:28 AM

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Mahalo,  
Mathew Peck

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
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Debbie Wier

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Emergency Proclamation Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 4:04:53 AM

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Mahalo,  
Adrienne Lanigan

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 4:20:42 AM

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Signed, Shanelle Quiocho  
Sent from my iPhone



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] repeal Governor Green's emergency housing proclamation.  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 4:24:55 AM

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Aloha,

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Kind Regards,  
Kerry Sema Barley

[REDACTED]

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Sema Barley| Lead Pre-K Teacher  
Persimmion Early Learning Center  
YWCA Boulder County

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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Aloha

I have been a resident of Hawaii since 1973. As Hawaii has grown and developed I have observed the lack of consideration being given to local families and in particular indigenous people. The tragedy in Lāhainā presents an opportunity to give proper consideration to a community devastated that will take years to rebuild. As plans move forward please consider the following :

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**Mahalo**

**Debbi Appleby**

[REDACTED]

**Makawao Hi. 96768**

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Debbi Appleby

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 5:07:44 AM

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Duncan Graham -

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
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Signed,  
Lani Hutchison

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 5:16:42 AM

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JUST SAW THIS. LATE BUT STILL EMAILING. PLEASE EVERYBODY

PLEASE READ!!! Please allow  
Okay all Hawai'i lovers locals and Kānaka

There is a very very important meeting happening Tuesday at the capital regarding Lāhainā and Maui.

So I'm putting the kāhea\* Call out to all you folks and anyone willing to support this literally will only take 5 seconds and make a BIG impact WHEREVER you are from.

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C. Tulang

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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Sincerely,

Jodene Lee Hayward  
Keaau, Hawaii



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Lāhainā and Maui. EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 5:22:19 AM

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To those in charge. Politicians, who are supposed to be working for and helping the citizens, or why are they even in office, if they can't remotely operate with wisdom & integrity???  
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**MaryJJosephine Morton Cain.**

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Date:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
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Anna Marie Kahunahana-Castro-Howell

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Napua Kahunahana  
[REDACTED]

Kingdom of Ha.wai'I  
Ha.wai'I is God's Spirit of Life

Ua Mau Ke Ea O Ka Aina I Ke Pono  
Perpetuate The Sovereignty Of The Land God The Righteousness

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
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[REDACTED] - Bonnie Silva

Mail on Android

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
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Thank you,

Cassandra Freeland

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
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**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
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Signed, your name. Please don't forget this small detail!

With best wishes from Germany,

Stefanie

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Housing  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 6:02:15 AM

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6. Install a Procurement Tzar to ensure funds don't disappear.

Mahalo Kathleen Sheehan

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
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Thank you,  
Blake Watson  
Glennwood, Hawai'i Island



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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Beyond Barriers working group Item C Hale Aloha low income housing Keaa Hawaii Island.

Aloha,

I'm a resident of Puna in Hawaii island. Born and raised here. Keaau is where I have my small business, FitbyWhitt Hawaii, I raise my ohana, and I've lived my entire 35years. I'm writing to you today AGAINST the affordable housing of Hale Aloha o Puna for displaced low income families of the fires in Maui. Here's why:

Maui deserves to make its own decisions. Hawaii island is not Maui. The people of Maui have voiced they want to be apart of that decision making. This is not that. This meeting is held on Oahu. Not Maui. Not Hawaii island where people these decisions will greatly impact live. Let Maui decide. Build this affordable housing in Maui so Maui residents can stay on their Moku.

Puna is a low income community as it is. Yet ironically cost of living is already high here. With the price tag going up by the year for homes in Puna many locals here can't afford it as it is. We need to take care of our own island first. We support Maui and we are proud to support them if this was what they were asking for. But they are not. They are asking to stay on Maui.

Puna need affordable housing FOR PUNA RESIDENTS. I am against this plan and would like a public forum to discuss the community concerns.

Mahalo  
Whittney Soares

[REDACTED]  
Keaau hi 96749  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
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**-hannah jameson**

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Repeal  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 6:21:35 AM

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These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in gov greens broad sweeping overreach which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage the limited resources, protect water aquifers and ocean from pollution, protect from overdevelopment on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and sma major for rebuilding of Lahaina.

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I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects.

I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,

Malissa Bottorff  
Maui Resident  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:**   
[Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Governor" Green " Emergency Proclamation"  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 6:22:20 AM

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Dear Governor Josh Green

The "Emergency Proclamation" (BBBWG) is not acceptable ! in Hawaii on either of our Eight Islands ,

The State Housing Authorities and Committee Failed to fix this problem with the general housing public needs as well for the Homelessness over 40 years . We know you want to help the HOMELESSNESS on Oahu but , don't involve our Sacred Burials , Historic Lands , Heiau, and Preservation sites that the Kanaka Maoli and the Hawaiians pay there respects and exercise there cultural practices !

or Crown , Ceded, Royal lands either. There's a word that still exists here in Hawaii even tho it's not talk about or Believed but it's true and that word is KAPU a Ancients Sacred sealed by our Kanaka Maoli Ancestor's by ke Akua from in the beginning of time 400 , 600 , 800 AD . I humbly ask you Governor Josh Green to think this through before you Speak about it , because this is not Right for one and it will affect you and your family , colleague, and everyone else. thats involved , I pray that words such as "Proclamation" is used for a purpose not destruction and HOMELESSNESS is not a purpose but a Problem that couldn't been help a long time ago , so Please dont take it out on my ANCESTOR'S or our Sacred Land because there

will be consequences. Thank you for your time reading my testimony !

Mahalo ke Akua & God Bless you all and Be Safe , ♥ Aloha

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 6:23:35 AM

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Aloha Kākou,

My name is B. Keahi Tajon. I've been working on community building in Lahaina for the last 2 weeks, specifically in Honokowai. And I disapprove of the Build Beyond Barriers Working Group (BBBWG) building low income housing on DHHL lands or any land on Hawai'i Island. If anything, we should be helping fund building those "low-income" housing projects on Maui, and in Lahaina. Keep Lahaina lands in Lahaina hands. It's that simple.

Na'u,  
Keahi.

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Emergency Proclamation  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 6:27:27 AM

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To whom it may concern,

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH conditions:

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3. Ensure that water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place;
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.

The people of Lahaina have just suffered one of the most horrific tragedies we have ever seen in our State. They deserve to be treated with respect and empowered to make decisions about their community. Thanks to social media, the eyes of the world are on Hawaii. Please do right by our people.

Malama pono,  
Shuzo Uemot

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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TESTIMONY

EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

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5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions about the development, and NOT Nani Medeiros who was NOT ELECTED.

Signed,

Tiana Andreas



**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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#### EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

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Signed, \_\_\_\_\_ J. N. Johansen \_\_\_\_\_

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Emergency Proclamation  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 6:29:08 AM

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Malama pono,  
Shuzo Uemoto

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
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## EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

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Thank you,

Vicky Cambrey

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 6:56:43 AM

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Aloha,

As a concerned US Citizen and resident of Maui, I'd like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal Governor Green's emergency housing proclamation.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and complete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight.

I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plain reports and sma or sma major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

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Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,  
Rochelle coop  
[REDACTED]  
Makawao,  
HI. 96768

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 7:06:45 AM

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## EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

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4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions about the development, and NOT Nani Medeiros who was NOT ELECTED.

Signed, Joseph Mccollum

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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Gov Green,

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Claire DGaia

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To whom it may concern,

These are my conditions for the affordable housing project in Lahaina. I only support this project under the following four conditions:

1. Preference for housing in Lahaina is given first and foremost to the local Lahaina residence, and secondly to Maui residence.
2. The Housing is ensured to be truly affordable for local Lahaina residence meaning, the average median income is considered at 50%. Not 140%.
3. You ensure that the Lahaina water management and IIFS is protected and remains in place. Meaning the environmental protections for Lahaina and health of aquifers, ground water and streams remains fully and completely protected during the duration of any project and rebuild.
4. The emergency proclamation for affordable housing and any subject matter concerning the fire and rebuilding Lahaina, is amended to include the "Sunshine Law", which ensures that local Lahaina and Maui community members have a voice in any rebuild, and are able to testify if needed. No project should be passed in Lahaina without the local Hawaiian and Lahaina community member voices and input.

A concerned citizen,  
Nélida Samara Zepeda



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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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## **EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY**

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**Thank you**

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Aloha,

Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. I'd like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal the emergency housing proclamation.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and complete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight.

I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well as resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plain reports and SMA or SMA major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

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I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow the

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I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,  
Tiffany Hagler

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 7:27:56 AM

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Aloha,

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

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4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions about the development, and NOT Nani Medeiros who was NOT ELECTED.

Mahalo,

Kelli Paaluhi

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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Mahalo  
Charles Estin  
Hana, HI

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**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
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EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

1. Prioritize preference to Lāhainā residents, then Maui residents for housing in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands) on Maui.
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3. Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the Kānaka and residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions about the land, and NOT Nani Medeiros who was NOT ELECTED.

Law of Aloha Spirit is alive and well,

Signed,  
Dawn Diviniste  
Anahola, HI

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 7:31:58 AM

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Signed, Brendan Punahale Perry

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 7:32:06 AM

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## **EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY**

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] NO to emergency proclamation  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 7:33:00 AM

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Aloha

My name is Matthew and I stay big island. I'm voting NO to governor green's emergency proclamation!!

Governor green needs to center the voices of kanaka during this time. He needs to let them lead the rebuild and restoration of beautiful Lahaina!

Mahalo  
Matthew  
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Matthew Taylor

I create a world of emotional safety through guardianship and truth telling.

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 7:47:44 AM

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**Aloha,**  
**Zoe Alexander, Maui**  
[REDACTED] **Haiku, HI 96708**

**From:** [REDACTED]  
[Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony - "Emergency Proclamation" BBBWG  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 7:48:05 AM

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I, Marlene Brown am in favor of Affordable housing with several conditions.

One, that the displaced people of the Lahaina fire, then Maui residents have priority over those who are not.

Two, reinstate the Sunshine Act. - The public should be entitled to the fullest practicable information regarding the decision-making process of the Government. Providing such information is the purpose of this Act and the people should be given a voice.

Thank you,  
Marlene Brown  
[REDACTED]  
Lahaina, 96761

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY for today Tuesday August 29,2023  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 7:50:40 AM

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Aloha public servants of Hawaii,

I am writing as a concerned US citizen and an 11 year resident of Maui. I begin by reminding you that you are in office to represent and protect the will of the residents of Hawaii and most especially the native Hawaiians.

We stand on the edge of a pivotal moment in Hawaiian history, in US history, in the human story. Will you do what is right? Will you stand on the right side of history?

I would like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal governor greens emergency housing proclamation. I do not support the emergency housing proclamation which gives unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual, an individual who was not elected by the people.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and complete destruction of the entire Lahaina town. This proclamation has the potential to be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight. I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety, as well as resource management and sustainability, including reviewing flood, plot plane reports, and SMA, major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development, taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling. I am concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells, which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removal, removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted.

These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in governor Greens broad sweeping overreach, which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage limited, resources, protect water aquifers and oceans from pollution, protection from over development on

Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and SMA major for rebuilding of Lahaina town.

This emergency proclamation makes the oversight and permitting powers of the planning department completely obsolete and consolidate complete authority into the hands of one individual. It isn't just in no way equitable or fair to take away all of the protections for Maui building and development. With all due respect, we have seen how these emergency proclamations have been used and abused in ways that are not for the benefit and overall well-being of the people that they propose to serve.

I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will likely be misused in Lahaina and the powers abused in the proclamation to extend to all buildings which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow governor Green to keep this proclamation, allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dug up during excavation. I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects. I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing. While I agree that we need to expedite projects for affordable housing this broad sweeping proclamation is problematic.

Mahalo for considering my testimony, and I pray that you hear my words. I pray that you stand to do what is right for the native Hawaiian peoples. We stand on the edge of a great opportunity for healing and making reparations to the native Hawaiian peoples, please do what is right.

Kindly and respectfully,

Quoia, R. Nakomis.

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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### EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

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Signed,  
Maayan Kasimov



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 8:06:13 AM

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I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling and I'm concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't just get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted.

These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in gov greens broad sweeping overreach which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage the limited resources, protect water aquifers and ocean from pollution, protect from overdevelopment on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and sma major for rebuilding of Lahaina.

This emergency proclamation makes the oversight and permitting powers of the planning department completely obsolete and consolidates compete authority into the hands of one individual. It is unjust and in no way equitable or fair to take away all of the protections for Maui building and development.

I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow gov green to keep this proclamation allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dud up during excavation.

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I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,

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Aloha!

I am a Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui for over 20 years.

I'd like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal Governor Green's...m "Emergency housing proclamation."

I will do all I can to prevent this from happening!! My husband works with Air Force and Navy for over 20 years here on Maui and we have many connections and he discusses many current issues involving Maui, residence, and especially the very sensitive topic of

" Keeping Hawaii, Hawaii""

My husband Bill Stevens is part of

Ka Ipu Kakui .... (sending a link) and we all became so passionate about " doing what is right!!" For the AINA!!

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We are all VERY involved in the Hawaiian culture on Maui and all islands.... RESPECT is huge!! I was in USCG originally what brought me to Hawaii and Honor of meeting President Clinton 2 times on Oahu when I was active duty....I remember distinctly when I met him out in the Hilton Hawaiian village area how a local Hawaiian resident was so determined to give President Clinton the documents which I'm sure helped change Hawaii today and even President Clinton offering an official apology of how our Government has wronged the Hawaiian Kingdom!!

My son is currently working with botanical gardens and protecting native species and working with sea bird protection! My youngest daughter is currently enrolled in Manoa.

She is very passionate about protecting the AINA and native bird species on all islands and getting her degree in animal science.

( I'm trying to explain how involved and passionate we are and doing what's right on the islands and especially for the local residents especially Lahaina!)

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Sincerely,

Celine Stevens

Wailuku, Maui Hawaii



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**Mahalo,**

*Chetanaa Petra Zoeller*  
*Realtor (B) lic # RB- 21276*  
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Aloha,

My name is Roniza. I would like to submit a testimony in regards to the Governor's Emergency Proclamation for Affordable Housing. I do support this Proclamation - HOWEVER, with the following amendments or stipulations. Please consider the following conditions:

- 1.) Please give preference to Lahaina residence FIRST, then Maui residence. Because of the wildfires on Maui, mainly Lahaina - there are thousands of families that are displaced. There is not enough housing for everyone that resides here on Maui with all of those homes that were lost in the Lahaina area.
- 2.) Please make these "Affordable" housing truly affordable! Buying a home is already challenging for working families. This will be more likely for all of the families that lost their home in Lahaina. Please consider the cost of these affordable homes to be at the most 50% average median income.
- 3.) Please ensure the water management in Lahaina. Please be sure to keep ALL environmental protections in place for water management for the sake of the health of groundwater and streams.
- 4.) And last but definitely not least, please include the Sunshine Law. The community's voice is crucial. Our community has voted for our elected officials trusting you folks to have the best interest of our people. PLEASE PLEASE include us when it comes to making important decisions that will mainly affect us!

Mahalo for taking the time to accept my testimony. Our community is relying on our government to make the right decisions especially during these difficult times.

Mahalo,  
Roniza Trinidad



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[EXTERNAL] Upcountry and Lahaina land

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My name is Kamie Davis

I'm here at the state capital meeting today I'm representing several land owners and tiny home providers

And we are capable of landing thousands of home's quickly for short term and long term solutions on Maui

We have land we have energy

And all logistical solutions

My phone number is

[REDACTED]


Mahalo

Kamie Davis

I'm in the meeting for any questions

Sitting in the front row

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Signed by Sally Berinobis

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Greetings,

My family and I stand with the people from Lahaina and Maui. We have visited many times and gave good friends living in Lahaina.

With blessings and love,  
Tom and Marcia Drucker

Tom Drucker (he/him)  
President, Consultants in Corporate Innovation  
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Mahalo nui loa ke Akua

Sherilyn K Akiona Wahinekapu

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Mahalo ke Akua

Gerald Lee Wahinekapu

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Marcy Lynn

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**Signed,  
Mary Law, Kipahulu**

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Signed, Emily Braun

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Mahalo,  
Deborah Kona-lei Hauanio

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Signed,

Deanna Frazier

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To whom it may concern,

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- Angela Pokipala

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Courtney Hughes

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Aloha,

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Signed,  
Diana Kennett

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My name is Gloria Suzette Marlowe

I live in Kula, Maui

I am extending Conditional Support for the current Proclamation being considered today.

I am focused primarily on these few conditions:

1. Lahaina residents are to be considered for housing FIRST

Other area residents who have NOT been un-housed by these recent fires are

to be considered for the wait list.

2. Ensure that the cost basis for the new residences will be at 50% of the average median

income - NOT the current 140% of the average median income. Lahaina fire residents

(most) are already starting at a loss of all personal property.

3. Make sure that the usual environmental protections are in place and not set aside during

this time of reconstruction and restoration as a 'quick fix' to provide this housing.

4. I ask that you AMMEND this Proclamation to include the Sunshine Laws, in order to

give the Lahaina fire community to have a voice in the decisions and outcome of this

important groundwork session.

I thank you for your consideration of these important points. Thank you all for the work you are doing.

Sincerely,  
Suzette Marlowe

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Thank you for supporting people with the greatest need.

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Aloha TWIMC,

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**I would appreciate knowing the outcome of this meeting. Please email me.**

**Mahalo, John Naylor [REDACTED] Makawao**

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Carola Navran

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Signed,  
Joelle Lambiotte du Lac

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*Judith Glickman Zevin, LCSW, PsyD*

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3. Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Kaleo Manuel is reinstated in his role in the commission of water resources.

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Aloha public servants of Hawaii,

I am writing as a concerned US citizen and an 22 year resident of Maui. I begin by reminding you that you are in office to represent and protect the will of the residents of Hawaii and most especially the native Hawaiians.

We stand on the edge of a pivotal moment in Hawaiian history, in US history, in the human story? Will you do what is right? Will you stand on the right side of history?

I would like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal governor greens emergency housing proclamation. I do not support the emergency housing proclamation, which gives unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual, an individual who is not even elected by the people.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and complete destruction of the entire Lahaina town. This proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight. I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety, as well as resource management and sustainability, including reviewing flood, plot plane reports, and SMA, major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development, taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling. I am concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells, which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removal, removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted.

These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in governor Greens broad sweeping overreach, which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage limited, resources, protect water aquifers and oceans from pollution, protection from over development on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and SMA major for rebuilding of Lahaina town.

This emergency proclamation makes the oversight and permitting powers of the planning department completely obsolete and consolidate complete authority into the hands of one individual. It isn't just in no way equitable or fair to take away all of the protections for Maui building and development. With all due respect, we have seen how these emergency proclamations have been used and abused in ways that are not for the benefit and overall well-being of the people that they propose to serve.

I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will likely be misused in Lahaina and the powers abused in the proclamation to extend to all buildings which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow governor Green to keep this proclamation, allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dug up during excavation. I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects. I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing. While I agree that we need to expedite projects for

affordable housing this broad sweeping proclamation is problematic.

Mahalo for considering my testimony, and I pray that you hear my words. I pray that you stand to do what is right for the native Hawaiian peoples. We stand on the edge of a great opportunity for healing and making reparations to the native Hawaiian peoples, please do what is right.

Kindly and respectfully,

Yolanda Pelayo



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Aloha!

### EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

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3. Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions about the development, and NOT Nani Medeiros who was NOT ELECTED.

A hui Hou!

Renate S Schaff, Makawao, Maui

**From:**

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Aloha,

I am concerned Citizen and resident of Maui for over 15 years and lived on Oahu for at least 5 years in the 1960s....I have seen so much corruption and "land grab!" My 5 grand children and son in law who is retired from Air force and works at RCUH . We are very very passionate about the aina and Hawaiian culture and Hawaiian law!!

Please do what is right for Maui residents especially Lahaina!!

Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation.

I do NOT support

"the emergency housing proclamation"

giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected. This is so so wrong!!!?

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and complete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight.

I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plain reports and sma or sma major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling and I'm concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't just get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted.

These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in gov greens broad sweeping overreach which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage the limited resources, protect water aquifers and ocean from pollution, protect from overdevelopment on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and sma major for rebuilding of Lahaina.

This emergency proclamation makes the oversight and permitting powers of the planning department completely obsolete and consolidates compete authority into the hands of one individual. It is unjust and in no way equitable or fair to take away all of the protections for Maui building and development.

I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow gov green to keep this proclamation allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dud up during excavation.

I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects.

I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kindly

Barbara Piantka



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Aloha,

The following is a testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal Governor Green's emergency housing proclamation. I am a concerned citizen and resident of Maui.

I DO NOT support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision-making to one individual whose interests are clearly not in the best interest for the People of Hawai'i and Maui.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only, and in light of the devastation and complete destruction of Lahaina Town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting and planning oversight.

I DO NOT support removing the Planning Department from their job, which is to review development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plan reports and major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

I DO NOT support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling. I'm concerned these projects will install unsafe injection wells, killing the reef and running the risk of polluting aquifers.

I DO NOT support the emergency housing proclamation that removes requirements to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted.

These issues are immensely important and have zero protection and consideration in Gov Green's overreach which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage the limited resources, protect water aquifers and ocean from pollution, protect from over-development on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and the major for rebuilding of Lahaina.

This emergency proclamation makes the oversight and permitting powers of the Planning Department completely obsolete and consolidates total authority into the hands of one individual. It is absolutely unjust and in no way equitable or fair to take away all of the protections for Maui building and development.

I request the proclamation be repealed in light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow corrupt Gov Green to keep this proclamation allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dud up during excavation.

I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects.

I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Thank you for considering this testimony and we pray that you see what we see. In this critical time of tyranny and corruption, we must stand together and protect the People of Hawai'i and make sure the Natives are first priority as we are all guests on their land. It is time to wake up and assist in the rise of humanity.

Mahalo,

Zayd Soufi

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Aloha,

I also am proposing a moratorium on rent control across the whole island so land lords can not price gauge the injured island especially those that don't even live on island  
No rent increase during this time of emergency

Please also a stimulus for the whole island because the whole island is hurting without tourists I lost my job bc I no more tourists are coming to the island

Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation.

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Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,

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- 5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are at the table making the decisions!!!!!!**

**Mahalo Nui Loa for doing the RIGHT and PONO thing**

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On behalf of all living heirs & decedents of Ko Hawai'i Pae Aina

**AFFIDAVIT**

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August 28, 2023

To whom it may concern:

**Subject: Affidavit of living decedents and heirs of Lahaina, Ko Hawai'i Pae Aina**

On behalf of the living, Heirs and Descendants to Land Commission Award and Royal Patent of Ko Hawaii Pae Aina, the Kingdom of Hawaii, do hereby submit this Affidavit of Living Heirship, with immediate consideration for fire impacted LCA and RP of Maui, Hawaii and Oahu.

The LCA can it be found per the online County of (Maui, Hawaii, Kauai, Molokai, Lanai, Ni'ihau, Kaho'olawe & Oahu) Real Property Office records.

Removing the LCA and RP also removes the names, identities of heirs. This is not proper disclosure of all land encumbrances.

“There is no technical rule which overrides the expressed intent, like that of the common law, which requires the mention of heirs in order to convey a fee.” (*U.S. Supreme Court: Damon v. Hawaii No. 207 April 12, 1904 [194 U.S. 154](#)*).

Those in violation to this aina birth right granted by Ke Akua from time immemorial, then codified into the Kumu Kanawai of Ko Hawai'i Pae Aina for his people, shall be held accountable and liable for injuries and penalties as prescribed.

The investigation of all Transfer Certificate of Title, hereafter known as TCT, is one of the conditions to guarantee title.

“As we are both, cultural and lineal descendants to the aforementioned land commission awards we do hereby assert our right to claim such. This right has afforded us by the law of descent codified in Hawaiian Kingdom Civil Code, Chapter XXXII and titled Of the Descent of Property, Both Real and Personal (See Exhibit 7)

“There is no possibility of mistaking the intent of the patent.” (*U.S. Supreme Court: Damon v. Hawaii No. 207 April 12, 1904 [194 U.S. 154](#)*).

Hawai'i Pono I,

La'akea I. Kamakawiwo'ole – Kanaka Maoli, Heir

**EXHIBIT #1 - 1846 OLELO MUA A KA MEA NANA I KAKAU (1846 COMPILERS PREFACE)**

<http://muse.jhu.edu/journals/kah/summary/v001/1.1achiu02.html>

E nui auanei na hihia e hiki ole ke ho'oponopono ma ka mea e, ma ke kanawai kahiko no.

Aole e hiki i ke kanawai hou, a me ke kanawai kahiko i ho'oponopono hou ia, ke ho'opau i na kuleana i loa mamua, a e like me na aina e, peia no ma'anei, e hoi hou no i na kanawai i ho'opauia, ke hoalaia kekahi hihia i loa'a ke kumu mamua o ka ho'opau ana, a o ka ho'ololi hou ana paha i ke kanawai.

E hiki no ke ho'ololi hou i ke ano o ka ho'oko, a me ka ho'oponopono ana; aka, o na kuleana, aole loa e hiki ke ho'opau wale, ke malamaia ke Kumukanawai.

Eia hoi kekahi kumumanao o ka ike hohonu i kanawai, i ka hoakaka ana i na kanawai hou, pono e ike mua ia ke ano o ke kanawai kahiko, a me ka hewa o ke kanawai i mana ai e hoopau, i mea e hiki ai ke hoopili aku i ka uku.

Many cases must necessarily arise that can only be measured by the old law.

New laws or amendments of the old, cannot divest rights previously acquired, and, as in other countries, so in this, the repealed ordinances must be resorted to in numerous cases accruing before the repeal or modification.

Means and remedies may be altered, but the rights themselves, if vested, cannot be constitutionally disturbed.

Another of its admitted doctrines, even in the exposition of new laws is, that the old law must first be understood, and the mischief intended to be cured by it, in order to apply the remedy.

**COMPILER'S PREFACE**

The Hawaiian kingdom was governed until the year 1838, without other system than usage, and with a few trifling exceptions, without legal enactments. **The bill of rights**, proposed and signed by His Majesty on the 7th of June, 1839, was the first essential departure from the ancient despotism. **The Constitution which he voluntarily conferred on the people on the 8th of October, A. D. 1840**, recognized the three grand divisions of a **civilized monarchy, king, legislature, and judges**, and defined in some respects the general duties of each. These however, were so engrafted on the ancient form of government that there seemed to be a blending of their separate functions, requiring the aid of organic acts, limiting their usual spheres, **in order to secure the civil liberties intended to be conferred upon the people**. The

Constitution had not been carried into full effect. Its provisions needed assorting and arranging into appropriate families, and prescribed machinery to render them effective. Some of the most obvious points in **civil and criminal jurisprudence** had been in some measure provided for by declaratory and penal ordinances, either proclaimed by the king before, or enacted by the legislature after the Constitution was given. **Yet as civilization very rapidly progressed, and commerce with the increase of foreign population largely augmented**, these were found in their nature much too loose to satisfy the national wants. These laws and rules, though universally promulgated at home, and somewhat extensively abroad, were neither well known nor understood. From detached fragments they were collated and **translated into the English language in 1842, by the Rev. William Richards**, who has since been distinguished as one of His Majesty's Envoys to Europe. That translation containing 200 pages, 12 mo., is systematized for reference into 55 chapters, each devoted to some distinct subject of legislation. **It will be found of lasting benefit to the Hawaiian government in defining the public and private rights**, duties and obligations that existed before the present codification, which is in fact based upon it. **Many cases must necessarily arise that can only be measured by the old law. New laws or amendments of the old, cannot divest rights previously acquired, and, as in other countries, so in this, the repealed ordinances must be resorted to in numerous cases accruing before the repeal or modification. Means and remedies may be altered, but the rights themselves, if vested, cannot be constitutionally disturbed. This is one admitted doctrine of civilized jurisprudence. Another of its admitted doctrines, even in the exposition of new laws, is, that the old law must first be understood, and the mischief intended to be cured by it, in order to apply the remedy.** That axiom will of itself render **continual retrospection** necessary, so that neither the judge nor the barrister will be able, notwithstanding the new enactments, at least historically, to dispense with the translation of Mr. Richards.

Criminally, the old law applies to the most heinous offences—to open breaches of the public peace and decorum and to wrongs towards the person and property of individuals. The native dialect not admitting of distinction, these offences are all indiscriminately called " hewa," which word literally means " wrong. " It is, however, for the most part erroneously translated into the English, crime," regardless of the judicial meaning of that word. **Thus the treaty stipulations providing for consular juries in all cases of crime alleged against foreign residents, are made verbally applicable to the least moral dereliction, and the legal distinction between crimes, misdemeanors and torts, does not definitely exist in the old compilation, except by adopting the European and American measure of offences the penalty annexed to them.** A misdemeanor would never be understood in England or the United States as a

crime, nor the converse, although denoted by the technical name of some crime or misdemeanor; and those nations in contracting with His Majesty for the peculiar formation of juries in cases of crime, cannot have covered all the wrongs known in the native by the word "hewa," but not punished as crimes by us. Civilly, the old law likewise embraced the most usual rights and duties of the social relations augmentative of population and initiative to industry. The fundamental basis of landed tenures was declared, and cultivation of the soil, under a feudal tenancy not much differing from that of ancient Europe, was encouraged by relaxing the vassal service. **The revenue, derived chiefly from the native population, was slight and utterly insufficient to maintain the more regular system demanded by the increase of foreign commerce and the enhanced value of property,** which required something more of the Hawaiian courts than mere investigation of facts. As results of missionary labor, however, the ordinances have been greatly serviceable in preparing the nation for what has since become indispensable to its political existence-**a complete code of laws, embracing organic forms of the different departments,** particularly executive and judicial, with outlines of their duties and modes of procedure and comprehensive civil and criminal digests. The events of the late Provisional Cession to Great Britain conclusively prove that some more minute and extensive judicature was long since requisite. These national wants were brought to His Majesty's notice by the Ministerial Reports of May 21st, 1845, in consequence of which the Legislative Houses passed the following;

**EXHIBIT #2 - JOINT RESOLUTION.**

*"Be it enacted by the Nobles and Representatives of the Hawaiian Nation,  
in Legislative Council assembled."*

That having taken into consideration the review of the Constitution made by the Attorney General, which he read before us on the 21st day of May, he be requested to draw out for us a digest of the constitution and laws, and also a project of the organic acts which he recommends, accommodating them to our condition and circumstances. Passed at the Council Chamber, this 24th day of June, 1845.

Approved by (signed)

KAMEHAMEHA,

KEONE ANA.

The compiler in obeying that resolution, has submitted at intervals portions of the succeeding code to His Majesty in cabinet council of his ministers, where **they have first undergone discussion and careful amendment;** they have next been transferred to the Rev. William Richards, for **faithful translation into the native language,** after which, as from a judiciary committee, they have been reported to the legislative council for **criticism, discussion, amendment, adoption or rejection.** The two houses have

put them upon three several readings -**debated them section by section with patience and critical care, altering and amending them in numerous essential respects**, until finally passed in the form in which they now appear. The political principles of this code are not materially different from those sustained by the mildest forms of monarchy, though the plan of arrangement and the machinery of execution is believed to be novel in the history of government, centering it decidedly in the King, whose **executive functions are assigned to the management of five ministers**, dependent solely upon him, but controllable by a majority of ministerial voices. **Act 1st, Kamehameha III., creates these ministers- defines their relations to the crown and to each other—the extent and mode of their accountability, both public and private-creates the privy council of the executive, and refers the five ministers for details of their duties, to Act 2d, Kamehameha III., in five distinct parts, organizing the executive departments.** The judiciary is an independent branch of government, controllable in no way by the king in his executive character, but only in his judicial capacity, on appeal to the supreme court, of which His Majesty is by the Constitution, chief judge. This branch is definitely organized by Act 3, Kamehameha III., and invested with all the judicial **attributes incident to an independent and recognized nation.** Machinery is by that act given to the several courts composing this branch of the government. Their field of action before only known under the generic term " lawsuit," has been subdivided and appropriately classified. Causes, civil, criminal, and mixed, maritime and probate, personal and real, have been contradistinguished from each other, and the dependent proceedings and proofs affixed to them. **Trials per pais**, by the country or by jury; and trials upon debate in banco-business of the judge at chambers; and proceedings, original, interlocutory, and final in the forum, are provided for by fixed rules; and, appropriate simple **forms of process, original, mesne and final, as well as outlines of practice, are prescribed.** None of these it is believed will be found too complex for this community, while it is hoped they will all be sufficiently discriminating to meet both the technical wants of **foreign residents and the expectations of kindred nations, whose commerce frequents this portion of the Pacific.** The 4th and 5th of Kamehameha III., embody full digests of civil and criminal principles, expressed in concise and comprehensive terms, and adopting as nearly as is thought necessary and practicable, the conclusions, doctrines, principles, definitions, and applications of the Common Law of England, that code being most prevalent, and the **commerce of nations** governed by it being most extensive in His Majesty's dominions.

The compiler scarcely hopes to have succeeded, without the existence of a previous basis, and unaided by a law library, in submitting a code adapted to all the varied exigencies of a nation. **The present must be found even grossly defective in numerous respects, but its inaccuracies can be much more easily**



**corrected by subsequent legislatures**, there being something tangible in its outlines and principles to amend by, that did not before exist. The task itself has been severe, and its execution one of very great labor, amidst a multiplicity of other grave matters.

JOHN RICORD

HONOLULU, OAHU, H. I., January 1, 1846.

**EXHIBIT #3** - [Penal code of the Hawaiian Islands, passed by the House of Nobles and Representatives on the 21st of June, A.D. 1850, to which are appended the other acts passed by the House of Nobles and Representatives during their general session for 1850](https://www.hawaiiankingdom.org/pdf/1850_Kuleana_Act.pdf)

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**EXHIBIT #4** - Kekiekie v. Dennis, 1 Haw. 42 (Haw. 1851)

**EXHIBIT #5** - Damon v. Hawaii, 194 U.S. 154 (1904)

**EXHIBIT #6** - Hawaii Revised Statute Title 12 subsection 172-11

**EXHIBIT #7** – Hawaiian Kingdom Civil Code CHAPTER XXXII

#### OF THE DESCENT OF PROPERTY, BOTH REAL AND PERSONAL

§1447. Whenever any person shall die intestate within this Kingdom, his property, both real and personal, of every kind and description, shall descend to and be divided among his heirs, as hereinafter prescribed.

§1448. The property shall be divided equally among the intestate's children, and the issue of any deceased child by right of representation, and if there is no child of the Intestate living at his death, his estate shall descend to all his other lineal descendants; and if all the said descendants are in the same degree of kindred to the intestate, they shall share the estate *per capita*, that is, equally; otherwise they shall inherit *per stirpes*, that is, by each of the children taking a share, and the grandchildren, the children of a deceased child taking a share, to be afterwards divided among themselves as for example, if A dies, leaving P and E sons, and K a daughter, then the estate will be divided equally between the three children, they being all of one degree of kindred to the intestate; or, if A dies leaving no children, but P, E and K, grandchildren, then the estate will be equally divided between these three, they being all of one degree of kindred to the intestate; again, if A dies leaving P, a son, and K and I the children of his deceased child E, then P will inherit one half of the estate and K and I will take the other half between them, that being the share to which their father B would have been entitled had he been living:

If the intestate shall leave no issue, his estate shall descend one half to his widow, and the other half to his father and mother as tenants in common; and if he leave no widow, nor issue, the whole shall descend to his father and mother, or to either of them if only one be alive:

If he shall leave no issue, nor father nor mother, his estate. shall descend one half to his widow, and the other half to his brothers and sisters, and to the children of any deceased brother or sister by right of representation:

If he shall leave no issue, nor father or mother, and no brother or sister, his estate shall descend one half to his widow, if any, and one half to the brothers and sisters of his father and mother, and to their children and heirs by right of representation; and if he leave no widow, then such collateral heirs shall inherit the whole estate; provided, always, that if the estate come through either parent, the brothers and sisters of that parent shall be preferred to the others:

If the intestate be a woman, and leave no issue, her estate shall descend one half to her husband, and the other half to her father and mother as tenants in common, and if she leave no husband nor issue, the whole shall descend to her father and mother, or to either of them if only one be alive; if she shall leave no issue, nor father, nor mother, her estate shall descend one half to her husband and the other half to her brothers and sisters, and to the children of any brother or sister by right of representation:

If she shall leave no issue, nor father or mother, and no brother or sister, her estate shall descend one half to her husband, if any, and one half to the brothers and sisters of her father and mother, and to their children and heirs by right of representation; and if she leave no husband, then such collateral heirs shall inherit the whole estate: provided, always, that if the estate shall come through either parent, the brothers and sisters of that parent shall be preferred to the others.

If the intestate shall have been married, and leave no kindred but a widow, then she shall inherit all his estate; and if the intestate be a woman, and leave no kindred but her husband, then he shall inherit all her estate.

§1449. If the intestate shall die leaving several children, or leaving one child, and the issue of one or more others, and any such surviving child shall die under age, and not have been married, all the estate that came to the deceased child by inheritance from such deceased parent, shall descend in equal shares to the other children of the same parent, and to the issue of any such other deceased children, who shall have died, by right of representation.

§1450. If at the death of such child who shall die under age, and not having been married, all the other children of his said parent shall be also dead, and any of them shall have left issue, the estate that came to such child by inheritance from his said parent, shall descend to all the issue of the other children of the same parent: and if all the said issue are in the same degree of kindred to the said child, they shall share the said estate equally: otherwise they shall take according to the right of representation.

§1451. If the intestate leave no kindred, his estate shall escheat to the Hawaiian Government

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Date:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
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## EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

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3. Ensure our water management and the Interim Instream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions about the development, and NOT Nani Medeiros who was NOT ELECTED.

Much Aloha,

Tia Thompson

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
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## **EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY**

I am a resident of Kihei HI and I am deeply concerned about our Lahaina survivors. Therefore

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

- 1. Prioritize preference to Lāhainā residents, then Maui residents for housing in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands)**
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4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
- 5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions**

**This is the right thing to do if you f really care about our Lahaina fire survivors.**

**Mahalo,  
Dale Nelson Floto**

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](mailto:Gov.Housing)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Pls Rescind earlier TESTIMONY to NOT Supporting  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 12:47:28 PM

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Aloha and mahalo for listening.

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**From:** Amy Chang <mauiamy@yahoo.com>  
**To:** Gov.housing@hawaii.gov <gov.housing@hawaii.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 28, 2023 at 05:53:54 PM HST  
**Subject:** rescind earlier TESTIMONY to  
Not Support unless these and other conditions can be renegotiated and met.

Aloha And Mahalo for listening to Lahaina and Maui residents first for trust and to not cause further division in this crisis.

I am an educator and 44 yr resident of Maui county and do Not support the current emergency proclamation unless these conditions can be met and renegotiated with the Governor or legislature.

1) Amend proclamation to include Sunshine law for transparency and trust. We want to know Whats going on! Please be courageous and stand strong and make all meetings public. No backroom Deals.

2) Please Expedite the many housing projects already approved in West Maui.  
Outstanding ones:  
Pulelehua 800 units  
Kaiaulu o Kuku'ia 200 Units.  
DHHL has 800 Acres at Honokawai that can be expedited and prioritized for Lahaina beneficiaries and if possible prioritize Kanaka Maoli.

Our elected Westside Council Tamara Paltin has them all listed in her written testimony.

No new developments considered until these pre-approved projects are built out or the local community collectively expresses a need to change.

3) Ensure Our water Management and interim Instream flow standards remain! East and North Maui also depend On this water as my neighborhood is on Hanehoi stream.

Yes it's an emergency but it's possible to long term think in this crisis/opportunity to restore the wetlands of Lahaina, so it's no longer a fire hazard dry landscape. Mahi Pono has plenty water and "water banking". They can offer their millions of gallons excess to West Maui. They also waste water due to old canals leaking in need of repair.

4) Absolutely prioritize Lahaina residents and their immediate needs for 1-2 Year leases for families who need kitchens, education for keiki, Mortgage relief, Rental assistance, child care, and huge Social services. Already 5 suicides.

5) Ensure that Nani Medieros is consulting regularly with Lahaina representatives, especially Maui's Westside experienced elected officials Elle Cochran and Tamara Paltin who have been On the ground working every Day, along with decades long Local West side and community leaders. Please, Ms Medieros cannot drive decisions as an unelected housing official from Oahu in Gov Greens first term, or consulting with freshly

Elected county officials behind closed Doors. This creates more division and distrust. We need as much solidarity in the recovery as is Humanly possible.

With prayers, Such a challenging yet crisis opportunity time.

Mahalo nō and Thank you for consideration

Amy Joyce Chang  
8/29/2023

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 1:44:24 PM

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Aloha,

Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one individual who was not even elected.

The emergency proclamation was approved for expediting affordable housing only and in light of the devastation and compete destruction of the entire Lahaina town this proclamation can be abused and used to develop Lahaina with no permitting or planning department oversight.

I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plain reports and sma or sma major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling and I'm concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors don't just get bulldozed into a cement foundation because they don't want to have construction halted.

These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in gov greens broad sweeping overreach which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage the limited resources, protect water aquifers and ocean from pollution, protect from overdevelopment on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and sma major for rebuilding of Lahaina.

This emergency proclamation makes the oversight and permitting powers of the planning department completely obsolete and consolidates compete authority into the hands of one individual. It is unjust and in no way equitable or fair to take away all of the protections for Maui building and development.

I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow gov

green to keep this proclamation allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dug up during excavation.

I oppose the use of this proclamation in any way to be used for commercial development projects.

I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony.

Kind Regards,  
Ema Fernandes



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](mailto:Gov.Housing)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Housing proclamation  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 1:52:18 PM

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Start an email and address it to [Gov.housing@hawaii.gov](mailto:Gov.housing@hawaii.gov)  
Subject line is TESTIMONY

Testimony -Every email must be submitted by tomorrow 9am HST/ 3pm

This is what I submitted feel free to use or edit:

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I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,

Sent from my iPhone

Liefde,

Lelani "Sunshiine" Bright  
#BeautifulLife, LLC  
Founder



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 2:42:07 PM

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Greetings governing officials,

Having lived on Maui for 35 years, I hold all that it stands for very close to my heart. I have watched a lot of news coverage from Maui Now, Akaku, and the Recent City council meeting on Maui. It is painfully clear that things are moving too fast for most of the victims to understand. With that in mind,

I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

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4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are the ones making the decisions.

Thank you for considering this,

Candle Summers,

Hi. LMT #1543  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 5:36:32 PM

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Subject: TESTIMONY

Please rescind previous testimony to NOT support unless these conditions can be renegotiated with the Governor and the legislature

Aloha And Mahalo for listening to Lahaina and Maui residents first for trust and to not cause further division in this crisis.

I am an Educator and Counselor at Hospice Maui and a 37 yr resident of Maui county and do NOT

support the emergency proclamation unless met with these conditions

1) Please Expedite the many housing projects already approved in West Maui.

Outstanding ones:

Pulelehua 800 units

Kaiaulu o Kuku'ia 200 Units.

DHHL has 800 Acres at Honokawai that can be expedited and prioritized for Lahaina beneficiaries and if possible prioritize Kanaka Maoli.

Our elected Westside Council Tamara Paltin has them all listed in her written testimony.

No new developments considered until these pre-approved projects are built out or the local community collectively expresses a need to change.

2) Ensure Our water Management and interim Instream flow standards remain! East and North Maui also depend On this water as I live On Hanehoi stream

3) Amend proclamation to include Sunshine law for transparency and trust. We want to know Whats going on! We must have trust in the process.

4) Absolutely prioritize Lahaina residents and their immediate needs for 1-2 Year leases for families who need kitchens, education for keiki, Mortgage relief, Rental assistance, child care, and huge Social services. Already 5 suicides.

5) Make Sure that Nani Medieros is consulting regularly with Lahaina representatives, especially Tamara Paltin' Maui's Westside elected official who is On the ground working every Day, along with Local West side community leaders. Ms Medieros cannot drive decisions as an unelected housing official from Oahu in Gov Greens first term. This will create more division and distrust. We need as much solidarity in the recovery as is Humanly possible.

With prayers, Such a challenging time. Mahalo nō and Thank you for listening  
*mahalo*

*Thomas Mackay M.A. aka Prakash*

On Mon, Aug 28, 2023 at 12:45 PM prakash mackay <[prakashmackay@gmail.com](mailto:prakashmackay@gmail.com)> wrote:

EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION TESTIMONY

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aloha

*Thomas Mackay*

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] My Testimony - Marguerite Etemad MS, RSME/T  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 7:09:28 PM

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Aloha And Mahalo for listening to Lahaina and Maui residents first for trust and to not cause further division in this crisis.

I am an educator and past resident of Maui. (Makawao and Hana) (former Kamehameha employee) and now a frequent visitor and visiting educator to Maui

I do not support the emergency proclamation, as it is faulty.

**I am writing to ask the county of Maui to stand by its promise and the promise President Joe Biden's made when he was in Lahaina to "Build back Lahaina the way the people of Lahaina want it to be rebuilt. I support the following provisions.**

1) Please expedite the many housing projects already approved in West Maui. And prioritize preference to Lahaina residents.

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3) Ensure Our water Management and interim Instream Flow Standards, IIFS remain in place.

4) Amend proclamation to include Sunshine law for transparency and trust. Residents want to know what is going on! Residents must have trust in the process.

5) Absolutely prioritize Lahaina residents and their immediate needs for 1-2 Year leases for families who need kitchens, education for keiki, Mortgage relief, Rental assistance, childcare, and huge Social services.

6. Provide mental health services free of charge to the survivors and responders, volunteers etc. There have been 5 suicides already.

6) Make Sure that Nani Medieros is consulting regularly with Lahaina representatives, especially Tamara Paltin' Maui's Westside elected official who is on the ground working every Day, along with Local West side community leaders. Ms. Medieros cannot drive decisions as an unelected housing official from Oahu in Gov. Greens first term. This will create more division and distrust.

We need as much solidarity in the recovery as is humanly possible.

With prayers,

Malama Pono

Mahalo nō and Thank you for listening.

Marguerite Etemad MS, RSME/T

8/28/2023

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] TESTIMONY  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 8:12:05 PM

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Kealoha nui nō,

I'd like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many Maui residents to repeal Governor Josh Green's emergency housing proclamation.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving unilateral and unfettered decision making to one person.

I do not support removing the planning department from their job, which is reviewing development and housing proposals to ensure they meet building requirements and standards for safety as well as resource management and sustainability including reviewing flood plain reports and SMA or SMA major proposals to make sure projects have the resources to sustain the development taking into account the amount of people with water and sewer capabilities of the area under proposed development.

I do not support the emergency proclamation that encourages no oversight on proper sewage and waste water management for every dwelling. I am additionally concerned these projects will do unsafe injection wells which are killing the reef and run the risk of polluting the aquifers.

I do not support the emergency housing proclamation removing the requirement to have a Hawaiian cultural expert at building sites to make sure the 'iwi of the Hawaiian ancestors are left alone, and not ever cemented over.

These are incredibly important issues that have zero protection and consideration in Governor Green's broad sweeping overreach which makes all of the protections that were fought for to protect Hawaiian burial grounds and sacred sites, manage the limited resources, protect water aquifers and ocean from pollution, protect from overdevelopment on Maui that's not sustainable according to environmental impact reports and SMA major for rebuilding of Lahaina.

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I request the proclamation be repealed in the light of the Lahaina destruction as it will be misused in Lahaina and the powers will be abused in the proclamation to extend to all building which originally was intended solely for affordable housing. It is unconscionable to allow Governor Green to keep this proclamation allowing developers to build without any way to ensure the safety of the structures, the water, the waste water disposal, beach access, and oversight to protect cultural sites that may be dug up during excavation.

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projects.

I propose this proclamation be repealed as it was not intended to be used for commercial projects. The intention was solely for affordable housing.

Mahalo

Milagros Rivera

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
**Date:** Tuesday, August 29, 2023 10:33:02 PM

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Aloha,

Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation.

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Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,

Robyn Kinker

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] BBBWG testimony  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 30, 2023 2:05:35 AM

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Gov. Green MD's Emergency Proclamation as it now stands clearly constitutes an egregious overextension of State power grab with crooked intent to back room hand shake, hand out pork & back scratch feral pigs & fat cats instead of providing people hands up tools for us here to enable reparations & reconstitute operations in self-determined directional regeneration.

The surviving people here may have suffered tremendous loss; compounding trauma endured & tragedies traversed for generations (some rooted & reaching to immense, unimpedable, & immemorial bygone relations that will never be razed), yet we abide & reside-still & perpetually- in dynamic, responsive & adaptable community.

And still we have movement & means to see what you're doing, to recall what you've done, & to seize production capacity. We fought hard to craft a plan for guided construction of housing & communal care that we will see implemented. Rest unassured & haunted, there exists a spectre looming that the circling vultures, ambulance chasers, vistingial, oligarchal remnants of the well-connected; colonizing plantation affinity networks, disaster Capitalists of Late Capital all; any and all, all y'all will be contending with as we rise, strong, in harmony, unity, & riotousness to disperse Restorative Justice & dispense with your archaic, outmoded, basic & hindersome beings, well overdue for a reckoning.

Go ahead and keep riding your dinosaurs down at the Bedrock construction mines. Don't listen to the wisdom of the Water & Land kupuna to build from & upon. Chase the dragon of extractivism & world witnessed plain as day atrociously unsustainable tourism industrialism. Shirk the charade, remove the hoods, and by all means don't follow the freely given lead & instruction of the people on the ground managing to hold it down without respite (despite scleretic dispensed "assistance," such as it is). Yabbadabbado as you please with ease. FRACK AROUND with your easements & hordes of war profiteering's spoils. FIND OUT!

From the mountains to the sea.

The whole world saw in shock & awe.  
Multitudes bore witness to what the gains of the deathmarch of Progress upon the goldbricked path to Paradise will get you. Masses are mobilizing & organizing to meet the needs of the moment. We witnessed first hand what land despoilation, desecration & degradation of our genius & generous surrounds gets you. There's a meteoric force coming round you'll meet soon enough with your names all over it. When it's all over you'll learn you can't take ill gotten gains, unearned stolen labor value with you anymore anymore than you can nevermore nevermore sustain any momentary, illusory solace you might unearth in your confined solitude of gilded cages, nor in the company of your fiendish "friends." Whatever "paradise" you push or pave won't save. Find no aloha.

-\*Stoph Kasak  
Moku 'O Wailuku

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](mailto:Gov.Housing)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony from Maui resident  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 30, 2023 6:21:56 AM

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To: Gov.housing@hawaii.gov

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4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are properly informed, and the ones making the decisions.

Please keep me informed of decisions and processes.

Best regards,  
Janlisa Goo  
Maui Resident

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 30, 2023 7:07:27 AM

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Mahalo for considering my testimony and I pray you hear my words.

Kind Regards,

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](mailto:Gov.Housing)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony from Maui Resident  
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I support the Emergency Proclamation WITH the following conditions:

1. Prioritize preference to Lāhainā residents, then Maui residents for housing in DHHL (Department of Hawaiian Home Lands)
2. Ensure housing is truly affordable by making the minimum income requirement 50% of average median income, and not 140%.
3. Ensure our water management and the Interim In stream Flow Standards (IIFS) remain in place.
4. Amend the proclamation to include Sunshine Law.
5. Ensure the residents of Lāhainā are properly informed, and the ones making the decisions.

Please keep me informed of decisions and processes.

Best regards,  
Bazel Potratz  
Maui Resident



**From:** [REDACTED]  
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Sincerely,  
Ezra Bumanglag



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Aloha, Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui. Id like to submit my testimony in support of the request of many maui residents to repeal gov greens emergency housing proclamation. I do not support the emergency housing proclamation giving un...  
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**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui  
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Kind Regards,

Juyhun Kim  
Concerned Citizen and resident of Maui.

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**To:** [Gov.Housing](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Testimony  
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