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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Lima Ola Affordable Housing Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the County of Kaua'i located at 4444 Rice Street, Suite 330, Lihu'e, Hawai'i 96766.

The requested project will cover infrastructure costs for the final two phases of the 75-acre, 600-unit Lima Ola affordable housing subdivision in Kaua'i, a key county project to address housing needs. The county completed Phase I in 2022 at a cost of \$18 million, with 155 units nearly finished, including senior, workforce, and supportive housing, as well as single-family homes. Phase II construction is set to begin in late 2025, and the funds will support grading, roads, water, wastewater, stormwater, and electrical infrastructure for Phases III and IV.

The project will help meet the island's housing demand, with 4,281 new units needed by 2025, particularly for low-income and rental housing. Lima Ola will provide critical affordable housing for residents, including those at risk of homelessness, seniors, and low-income families.

The project has a Federal nexus because it is consistent with the purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. §5305(a)(2).

I certify that neither I nor anyone in my immediate family has a financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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