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March 31, 2023

TO: The Honorable Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair, and

Members of the Committee on Water and Land

The Honorable Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair, and

Members of the Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and

Military Affairs

FROM: Alice L. Lee

Council Chair

SUBJECT: HEARING OF APRIL 3, 2023; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SCR 221

AND SR 159, URGING THE DIVISION OF BOATNG AND OCEAN RECREATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE COUNTY OF MAUI TO FACILITATE A STATE AND COUNTY PARTNERSHIP FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF ALL SMALL BOAT

HARBORS LOCATED ON THE ISLAND OF MAUI

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **support** of these important resolutions. These resolutions would request the Department of Land and Natural Resources Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation to execute a partnership agreement with the County of Maui for management of Maui's small boat harbors.

The Maui County Council has not had the opportunity to take a formal position on this measure. Therefore, I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I strongly support these resolutions for the following reasons:

- 1. Maui's small boat harbors have fallen into disrepair.
- 2. A State-County partnership could ensure that the small boat harbors are adequately repaired and maintained.

For the foregoing reasons, I **support** these resolutions.