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TO: The Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair, and
Members of the Committee on Water and Land

FROM: Alice L. Lee
Council Chair

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alice L. Lee".

SUBJECT: **HEARING OF MARCH 27, 2024; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SCR203 AND SR179, RELATING TO REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT TO INVENTORY AND MAP EXISTING R-1 WATER DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND RESERVOIRS IN MAUI COUNTY**

I **support** these resolutions to request that the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development inventory and map existing R-1 water-delivery systems and reservoirs in Maui County.

I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I support these resolutions for the following reasons:

1. Recurring droughts have caused Maui County to struggle with water shortages, especially in Upcountry Maui and in West Maui.
2. If R-1 water-delivery systems can be identified, progress can be made toward water conservation.
3. Using former plantation reservoirs to store R-1 water will allow West Maui to have easier access to fresh water for agricultural and firefighting.

Thank you for your consideration.

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