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TO: The Honorable Chris Lee, Chair, and
Members of the Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts

The Honorable Angus L.K. McKelvey, Chair, and
Members of the Committee on Government Operations

FROM: Alice L. Lee
Council Chair 

SUBJECT: **HEARING OF APRIL 19, 2024; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HCR157,
RELATING TO AIR TRANSPORTATION ON MOLOKAI AND LĀNA'I**

I **support** these measures to urge the Federal and State governments to address the ongoing air-transport crisis for Molokai and Lānaʻi residents.

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

I support these measures for the following reasons:

1. Residents on Molokai and Lānaʻi rely on air transportation for health care, business, and personal needs.
2. Air transportation to and from those islands is expensive and unreliable.
3. Ensuring consistent and affordable air transportation is vital to maintaining residents' well-being.

Thank you for your consideration.

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