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The Honorable Donovan Dela Cruz The Honorable Michelle Kidani The Honorable Jarrett Keohokalole The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim The Honorable Sharon Moriwaki The Honorable Kurt Fevella Thirtieth State Legislature State Capitol Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and members of the Senate Special Committee on COVID-19:

Thank you for your continued commitment to the safety of our community through the uncertainty that COVID-19 poses. We appreciate your efforts to consider and promote ideas that will allow us to maintain the health of our citizens while working towards repairing the damage done to our economy.

I am in receipt of your later dated September 3, 2020 seeking the consideration of a Pilot Program for an interisland quarantine waiver. As you acknowledge this program is multi-faceted and requires the coordination of numerous jurisdictions. In addition to the logistical details of the operationality of such a program, the fiscal needs of such a program will take some time and effort to research.

I have discussed the interisland pre-travel testing program with all the County Mayors and we are working together to develop a pilot. I will keep you informed of our progress, and I look forward to continued dialog and working with you on behalf of our community.

With Regards,

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David Y. Ige Governor, State of Hawaii