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February 23, 2021

DEPT. COMM. NO. 359

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Hawaii State House of Representatives
Speaker
415 South Beretania Street
Room 431
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a certified copy of Resolution No. 21-23,
which was adopted by the Council of the County of Maui, State of Hawaii,
on February 19, 2021.

Respectfully,

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Resolution

No. 21-23

URGING THE GOVERNOR TO CREATE A TASK FORCE TO ESTABLISH PROTOCOLS TO SAFELY RESUME ORGANIZED SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN HAWAII

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor David Y. Ige issued a proclamation declaring a state of emergency to support ongoing State and county responses to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on the same day, Mayor Michael P. Victorino issued an emergency declaration for Maui County; and

WHEREAS, both the Governor and the Mayor have issued numerous supplemental directives as the emergency remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 continues to pose a severe risk to communities and requires all residents of Hawai'i to follow recommended precautions and adapt the way they live and function in light of this ongoing risk; and

WHEREAS, additional guidance is required to provide a safe environment for organized sports and recreational activities; and

WHEREAS, American Academy of Pediatrics' website states that "re-engaging in sports activity with friends has both physical and psychological health benefits for children and adolescents," which "allows youth to improve their cardiovascular health, strength, body composition, and overall fitness"; and

WHEREAS, the same guidance noted that "youth may experience benefits from the increased socialization with friends and coaches and return to a more structured routine"; and

WHEREAS, according to the World Health Organization's website, "sedentary behaviour and low levels of physical activity can have negative effects on the health, well-being, and quality of life of individuals," and "quarantine can also cause additional stress and challenge the mental health of citizens"; and

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WHEREAS, the WHO recommends 150 minutes of moderate-intensity or 75 minutes of vigorous-intensity physical activity per week, or a combination of both, and relaxation techniques that can be valuable tools to help people remain calm and continue to protect their health during the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2020, California's Department of Public Health posted guidance to its website on returning to outdoor and indoor youth and recreational adult sports; and

WHEREAS, on December 31, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention updated its website to include considerations for youth sports administrators, providing further guidance on engaging in sports during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the CDC guidelines, the task force should consider including in their assessment the risk of various sports as it relates to physical closeness of participants, the level of intensity of the sport, the length of time players are close to each other, the age of the players, the setting of the sporting event, and the potential restrictions of visitors, spectators, and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the same guidance could be used as a model for the State of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2021, the Honolulu City Council adopted Resolution 21-18, CD-1, urging the creation of a stakeholder group to discuss restrictions imposed on sports and recreational activities under the Honolulu Reopening Strategy in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2021, *Hawai'i Prep World* noted Lieutenant Governor Josh Green sees the potential for opening prep sports by May 1 of this year if the vaccine timetable goes according to schedule; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Maui:

1. That it urges the Governor to create a task force to establish protocols to safely resume organized sports and recreational activities in Hawai'i;

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2. That it urges the Governor to work with the State Department of Education to loosen restrictions and formulate reasonable health-related conditions on the use of County parks and recreational facilities for school-related sports and recreational activities for students, particularly at those County parks and recreational facilities where such activities were permitted prior to the COVID-19 pandemic; and
3. That certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Brian E. Schatz, United States Senator; the Honorable Mazie K. Hirono, United States Senator; the Honorable Kaiuli'i Kahele, United States Representative; the Honorable Ed Case, United States Representative; the Honorable Scott Saiki, Speaker, Hawaii State House of Representatives; the Honorable Ron Kouchi, President, Hawaii State Senate; Maui County's delegation to the State Legislature; the Honorable David Y. Ige, Governor, State of Hawai'i; and the Honorable Michael P. Victorino, Mayor, County of Maui.

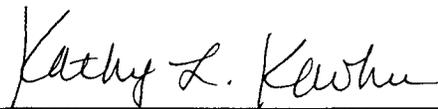
COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

WAILUKU, HAWAII 96793

CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION

It is HEREBY CERTIFIED that RESOLUTION NO. 21-23 was adopted by the Council of the County of Maui, State of Hawaii, on the 19th day of February 2021, by the following vote:

MEMBERS	Alice L. LEE Chair	Keani N. W. RAWLINS-FERNANDEZ Vice-Chair	Gabe JOHNSON	Natalie A. KAMA	Kelly T. KING	Michael J. MOLINA	Tamara A. N. PALTIN	Shane M. SINENCI	Yuki Lei K. SUGIMURA
ROLL CALL	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye



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