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July 6, 2021

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirty First State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty First State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 6, 2021, the following bill was signed into law:

HB0776 HD1 SD2 CD1

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST PUEO DEVELOPMENT, LLC.

ACT 198 (21)

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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Approved by the Governor

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2021 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 198
H.B. NO. 776
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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST PUEO DEVELOPMENT, LLC.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the development of
- 2 low- and moderate-income housing, alternative energy sources,
- 3 agriculture, infrastructure, and economic opportunities
- 4 continues to be in the public interest. Pueo Development, LLC,
- 5 is a Hawaii company that offers sustainable solutions for
- 6 developing low- and moderate-income housing, alternative energy,
- 7 agriculture, and infrastructure, while facilitating economic
- 8 opportunities through project development. Pueo
- 9 Development, LLC, proposes to design, build, and operate a
- 10 master planned development in support of a public-private
- 11 partnership with Waiohuli Hawaiian Homesteaders
- 12 Association, Inc., on an estimated one hundred fifty acres of
- 13 department of Hawaiian home lands land in Waiohuli, Maui. This
- 14 proposed development includes low- and moderate-income housing
- 15 units; rental housing units; elderly care units; alternative
- 16 energy development systems; agricultural development; and

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- 1 infrastructure development, including roads and utilities. The
- 2 legislature acknowledges that this development will create
- 3 numerous new jobs in the State, which will in turn improve the
- 4 State's economy.
- 5 The legislature has carefully considered the use of special
- 6 purpose revenue bonds to support Pueo Development, LLC, and its
- 7 proposed development. The legislature finds that the use of
- 8 special purpose revenue bonds to assist Pueo Development, LLC,
- 9 is consistent with similar investments that the State has made
- 10 for other comparable master planned projects. The legislature
- 11 believes that the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to
- 12 assist Pueo Development, LLC, will provide critical financial
- 13 flexibility to support the proposed development's initiatives.
- 14 Through the utilization of special purpose revenue bonds as a
- 15 means of financing the proposed development, Pueo
- 16 Development, LLC, will provide the public with benefits derived
- 17 from developing the master planned community without investment
- 18 or operational risk to the State or counties.
- 19 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to authorize the
- 20 issuance of special purpose revenue bonds and appropriate the

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- 1 bond revenues derived therefrom for a master planned development
- proposed by Pueo Development, LLC.
- 3 The legislature finds and declares that the issuance of
- 4 special purpose revenue bonds under this Act is in the public
- 5 interest and for the public health, safety, and general welfare.
- 6 SECTION 2. Pursuant to part IX, chapter 39A, Hawaii
- 7 Revised Statutes, the department of budget and finance, with the
- 8 approval of the governor, is authorized to issue special purpose
- 9 revenue bonds in a total amount not to exceed \$80,000,000, in
- 10 one or more series, for the purpose of assisting Pueo
- 11 Development, LLC, a Hawaii limited liability company, for its
- 12 proposed master planned development that will include low- and
- 13 moderate-income homes; rental housing units; elderly care units;
- 14 alternative energy development; agricultural development; and
- 15 infrastructure development, including roads and utilities. The
- 16 legislature hereby finds and determines that the proposed master
- 17 planned development constitutes a project as defined in part IX,
- 18 chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the financing thereof
- 19 is assistance to the development of low- and moderate-income
- 20 housing.

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1 SECTION 3. The special purpose revenue bonds and the 2 refunding special purpose revenue bonds issued under this Act 3 shall be issued pursuant to part IX, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised 4 Statutes, relating to the power to issue special purpose revenue 5 bonds to assist the development of low- and moderate-income 6 housing. 7 SECTION 4. The department of budget and finance is authorized, from time to time, including times subsequent to 8 9 June 30, 2026, to issue special purpose revenue bonds in 10 whatever principal amounts the department shall determine to be 11 necessary to refund the special purpose revenue bonds authorized 12 in section 2 and to refund special purpose revenue bonds authorized in this section, regardless of whether the 13 14 outstanding special purpose revenue bonds or refunding special 15 purpose revenue bonds have matured or are the subject of redemption or whether the refunding special purpose revenue 16 17 bonds shall be bonds for the multi-project programs described in 18 section 2. In making this determination, the department shall 19 comply with federal law relating to the exemption from federal income taxation of the interest on bonds of the nature 20

authorized by this section.

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- 1 SECTION 5. The authorization to issue special purpose
- 2 revenue bonds under this Act shall lapse on June 30, 2026.
- 3 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2021.

APPROVED this 06 day of JUL , 2021

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

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THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 27, 2021 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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Brian L. Takeshita Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 27, 2021 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2021.

President of the Senate

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