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Dear Governor Ige and Adjutant General Hara:

As you know from our recent calls with the other county Mayors and you, I remain concerned about the increasing risk the City and County of Honolulu is accepting under the State's pre-travel testing program. I have supported the State's pre-travel testing program for two reasons. One, we believe one test is better than no test. Two, the State's promised surveillance testing program of selecting 10% of arriving pre-tested passengers at State airports for a second test 4 days after arrival, which would provide additional information on how well the pre-travel testing program is doing in screening out positive cases and in real time allow us ample opportunity to address the risk if the second test positivity rate is too high. I know all of us put the health and safety of our residents above everything else, and that is why a properly implemented surveillance test is so important.

Given the sky rocketing positivity rate being exhibited on the continent, approximately 10.3%, compared to approximately 2.7% on Oahu, and the fact that the State's surveillance testing program has not been properly implemented therefore rendering the information on positivity rates unreliable, we are submitting an Order amending our previous Tier 2 Order to address the additional risk. The amendment would allow for testing at the City's new lab at the Daniel K. Inouye International Airport (DKI) to avoid the State's 14-day quarantine under the following circumstances:

- 1) Individuals who paid for a COVID-19 pre-travel test but it was lost, from a non-trusted partner, delayed or rejected. Individuals electing to take this second test, must also install the City's quarantine application to a smart device and use it until they receive a negative test result. This test would be offered free of charge by the City unless it is covered by the travelers insurance carrier. This does not penalize the traveler and adds additional level of protection.
- 2) Individuals who have obtained a limited exemption from quarantine (Critical Infrastructure, Etc.). This would be paid by the individual or his or her employer. Again, the individual must download the City's application to a smart device for contract tracking

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purposes. This change addresses the State's requirements that those individuals with limited exemptions will be required to be tested on a regular basis.

- 3) Individuals who took no pre-travel test, but are willing to take a test on arrival, download the City's digital application for contact tracing, and take a second test 4 days after arrival at the City's lab at DKI at their own expense. The individual electing this option would agree to quarantine for the 4 day period between the first and second post arrival test. This will dramatically reduce the burden being placed on the Honolulu Police Department to ensure that thousands of individuals in quarantine are complying with all the requirements imposed by the State of Hawaii.

All individuals who test positive from tests conducted at the City's DKI lab testing site would be subject to the mandatory 14 day quarantine at their own expense.

We are hopeful you will approve our attached order within the 24 hour turn around period you have previously promised. We appreciate your attention to our request.

Yours sincerely,



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