

*Aloha,*

*My name is Jeanne Marie Russell, owner of Dolphin Touch Wellness Center in Kapaa and resident of Kaua'i. I'm reaching out today because I believe it's crucial for our community to receive your support regarding the Waipouli Housing Cooperative project. The County will play a significant role in shaping the future of our community.*

*The Waipouli Housing Cooperative is vital for providing affordable housing options and strengthening our neighborhood. I kindly request that you champion our cause and support the Waipouli Housing Cooperative project.*

*Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your support and to continuing this conversation further.*

*Mahalo,*

Jeanne Marie Russell,  
Owner, Dolphin Touch Wellness Center  
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July 4, 2024

To Esa Pablo,

*My name is Michele Tylor, and I am a resident of Kauai and a small business owner for over 24 years I presently am an owner of a shop in the heart of Old Kapaa Town.*

*I have two employees who are actively seeking housing in the Kapaa area. One does not have transportation so she needs to take the bus to get back and forth to work. Their budgets are from \$800 to \$900 for a shared house with private room and one of the employees can pay up to \$1200 for a studio. They are very happy to rent a room but even those are proving expensive. I realized in looking on Craig's list how hard this request is but maybe you can help these hard working women who in the end support our local economy. Without them I cannot keep my store open the hours that I do.*

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Sincerely,

Michele Tylor

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Good morning, members of the HHFDC.

We are the Waids, a young family from Canada—myself, Maximilian, my wife, Lisa, our 19-month-old son, Roca, and our loyal dog, Echo. Less than two months ago, we made a significant move to Kaua'i, seeking a fresh start and new opportunities. The Courtyards at Waipouli became our first home here, a sanctuary where we could begin to build our new life.

Lisa, my wife, works as a medical laboratory technician at Wilcox Medical Center in Lihue. Her dedication to healthcare is unwavering, and having a home at the Courtyards allows her to commute easily while also taking Roca to daycare five days a week. The central location has been a blessing, providing us with convenient access to essential services like grocery stores as we navigate the challenges of settling into a new environment.

Moving internationally with a small child and a dog is no small feat. The stress and uncertainty can be overwhelming, but the Courtyards have provided us with a sense of peace and stability. This has been our safe haven where we can regroup and adjust to our new life on the island.

The possibility of having to leave the Courtyards due to the potential DHHL purchase is a devastating shock. The thought of being uprooted again, especially in the midst of the housing crisis on Kaua'i, fills us with profound unease. Lisa's role as a vital healthcare worker at Wilcox makes our presence here even more critical, and we are committed to becoming active, contributing members of this beautiful island community.

Where are we supposed to go with a small child and a dog when housing is so scarce? The uncertainty is heart-wrenching. We are deeply grateful for the Courtyards being our home here and are hopeful that we can continue to call this place our sanctuary as we integrate into this wonderful community.

Thank you for considering our concerns and for your commitment to ensuring that justice and fairness prevail for all Waipouli residents.

With appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'M' followed by a series of connected loops and a final horizontal stroke.

Maximilian Waid and Family