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To Michael Cain,

Since receipt of the correspondence from your office hand delivered to my property on March 31, 2025, and my initial response to your office dated April 1, 2025, Mr. Wigginton and I, who own the homes in the CPU at Kuaehu Point, and our immediate neighbors including Christine Benidt, have been investigation several possible solutions and methodologies to implement conservation measures to prevent further erosion of the shoreline and further loss of the beach sand.

Both Mr. Wigginton, Ms. Benidt and I have only recently purchased these properties and inherited the difficult challenge to find a replacement for the existing conservation methods in place. We have been diligently seeking a solution that would both protect the shoreline, our homes, maintain the beach front for the community, and meet the strict requirements of the state. As you are aware this is a difficult challenge.

After speaking with several experts including engineers & attorneys, I confess to say, we were becoming discouraged. However, I am happy to report that we have engaged a reputable engineering firm with familiarity and experience with the Anahola shoreline issues, who has designed and a solution that we believe works for the community, the state and the home owners. Once approved, the solution can be implemented quickly and it can also help solve a potential flooding issue in Anahola at the same time.

All of us who are working together for a solution in Anahola at Kuaehu Point, share a commitment to work cooperatively with the state on this project to implement a solution that works for the community, the state and the home owners. We hope that if successful, it may not only work in Anahola, but might also find application in other similar areas in the state.

We would like to work cooperatively with your office on this and would like to set a time to present the proposed engineering design for your review.

Sincerely Yours,

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