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Greetings,

If the following text is not properly formatted, a copy of my letter is also attached.

## Friends of Maha'ulepu



### **Mahalo for your continued support. We need you now more than ever.**

Aloha,

A lot has been happening since we last sent out a request for donations. Please visit [friendsofmahaulepu.org](http://friendsofmahaulepu.org) and follow the link to FOM's impressive and well supported response from our attorney, Charlie Tebbutt, to the Ulupono Initiative and Hawaii Dairy Farms' (HDF) Draft EIS. As you review FOM's Comment, I'm certain you will agree that our donor dollars were put to good use. FOM's Comment is supported by numerous expert opinions from specialists in the fields required to refute the feasibility of an industrial dairy at Maha'ulepu.

The expert opinion of John Kilpatrick PhD, MAI, FRICS, Appendix 3 to FOM's Comment, concludes that South Shore property values will drop at least 50% if HDF's dairy begins operation. We can't let that happen! Dr. Kilpatrick is nationally recognized for his work in assessing the economic impact from various industries to communities throughout the US. For the past 20 years, a specific area of his study has been the impact to property values following the start of an industrial dairy (factory farm). He authored two peer reviewed articles on property value loss from factory farms in *The Appraisal Journal*. We invited him to Kauai in July 2016 for meetings with the community and our Mayor. As detailed below, our donor dollars have been hard at work. We need donations now to keep up the fight. We must preserve property values, jobs, and stop the devastation that will surely follow this dairy operation. Please send your donations to Friends of Maha'ulepu P.O. Box 1654, Koloa, HI, 96756. No donation is too small but, from owners, we do need your largest 501(c)(3) tax deductible donation to protect you from losing 50% of your property's value. Our attorneys have pledged to handle a State, Environmental Court action all the way to the Hawai'i Supreme Court if the State grants the dairy permits to operate. They have committed to their continued excellent representation, promising that they will do so through all three State court levels for a total of \$125,000, a generous fee concession for all trial and appellate court proceedings. It would be tragic to lose our ability to fight in court for lack of funding.

Currently, FOM continues to advance its Clean Water Act case against the Ulupono Initiative, HDF and Grove Farm's Maha'ulepu Farms LLC in Federal Court. Thus far, we have received only favorable rulings. The court mandated inspection by our experts was conducted. The findings were used to support both the Clean Water Act case and FOM's Comment to HDF's Draft EIS. If we win the Clean Water Act case, the Federal Court will order HDF to stop all construct activities, may impose a fine and require no further activity unless and until HDF receives the required State permits. Following FOM's letter to Department of Agriculture Chair, Scott Enright, copy enclosed, Governor Ige directed Mr. Enright to come to Kauai and meet with FOM. A video of that meeting is available on our website in four segments. The science and objections of FOM are being heard. HDF still does not have the required State permit to operate their proposed dairy and are having to answer to the Federal Court.

We've been hard at work for more than 2 years. Costs have been substantial and our bank account is now low but it's been worth it! We've kept HDF from operating their dairy at Maha'ulepu. Please mail your tax deductible donation to Friends of Maha'ulepu, P.O.Box 1654, Koloa, HI 96756 or donate via our website with Go Fund Me.

Mahalo nui loa, JayKechloian, Treasurer, FOM

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