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TO: Honorable Chris Lee, Chair  
Senate Committee on Transportation

FROM: Alice L. Lee  
Council Chair

DATE: February 14, 2022

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT FOR SB 2008, RELATING TO HIGHWAYS**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **SUPPORT** of this important measure. This measure's purpose is to relieve the State and counties of liability for condemned roads and the requirement to maintain and improve condemned roads.

The Maui County Council has not had the opportunity to take a formal position on this measure. Therefore, I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

I **SUPPORT** this measure for the following reasons:

1. This measure appropriately reduces impediments to State and county condemnation of private roads.
2. This measure abolishes joint and several liability of the State and counties for acts or omissions that occurred prior to, or after, the condemnation of a highway, road, alley, street, way, lane, bikeway, bridge, or trail. Removing the threat of liability will make it more likely that roads will be repaired.

For the foregoing reasons, I **SUPPORT** this measure.

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