SAMPLE LETTER TO PLANNING COMMISSION IN SUPPORT OF THE ALEXANDER & BALDWIN SUGAR MUSEUM

Please send a personal letter, based on the sample below to:

- **Munekiyo Hiraga, attention Bryan Esmeralda, 735 Bishop Street, Suite 321, Honolulu, HI 96813**
- **OR: e-mail a copy of your letter to director@sugarmuseum.com with "Support Letter" in the subject line, OR send via postal mail to Alexander & Baldwin Sugar Museum, PO Box 125, Puunene, HI 96784**

County of Maui Planning Department
One Main Plaza
2200 Main Street
STE 315
Wailuku, HI 96793

Dear Planning Commissioners,

I am writing to urge you to support the expansion efforts of the Alexander & Baldwin Sugar Museum at 3957 Hansen Road, Puunene. Their acreage of their lease lands have been extended and the planned use will include development of a "Heritage Garden" for public enjoyment, space for outdoor events available for community use, an additional exhibit building to house the museum's 1883 locomotive "Claus Spreckels" and "Kalakaua Coach Car," and expanded display space.

With the closing of the state's last sugar plantation, the need for the Sugar Museum to continue to educate people about one of the most significant and influential periods in Maui's history is more important now than ever before. The Sugar Museum provides educational programs that teach and inform the people of Maui and the world about Maui's sugar history and plantation heritage, and how it helped shape our current island society and landscape.

The Alexander & Baldwin Sugar Museum is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and presenting the history and heritage of Maui's sugar industry and the multi-ethnic plantation life it engendered.

Sincerely,

Your Name and Address