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Governor Linda Lingle
Executive Chambers
Hawaii State Capitol

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Dear Governor Lingle:

I'm writing to urge you to sign House Bill 520 HD 1 SD 1 into law. Governor, you showed keen foresight last year when you expressed concerns about Act 228, letting it pass into law without your signature. Unfortunately, the notorious "archival photograph" provision built into the law has proven a cumbersome and onerous burden for homeowners and small contractors to bear.

The swift passage of this bill speaks for itself- the intent of this law was laudable- but the unintended consequences were worse than any of us anticipated. Now more than ever, we need to facilitate economic activity- not throw obstacles in the way.

Governor, I have many constituents and small contractors in my district who have contacted me on this issue. Please sign this important bill into law.

With warm aloha,

Cynthia Thielen

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