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Testimony for December 14, 2022 CPAC Meeting

I'm writing to comment on the draft of the South Maui Community Plan, August, 2022, action item 2.09 concerning establishing a homelessness strategic plan.

Anyone who lives in the Wailea area and walks the beaches at sunset notices how dark almost all the houses are. No-one is living in most of these luxury homes. Meanwhile, we have residents who can't afford rent. I'd recommend considering a specialtax on non-residents who own homes here that sit unoccupied most of the year to fund reasonably priced housing for low income full-time residents.

Thank you for considering this idea. I'd be happy to appear in person and elaborate on the proposal if there's interest.

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