NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM CH. 103D, HAWAI`I REVISED STATUTES

TO: Chief Procurement Officer (“CPO”)

FROM: Administration – PR Jonell Kaohelaulii, I&E Specialist

Pursuant to HRS § 103D-102(b)(4) and HAR, Ch. 3-120 et seq., the Division requests a procurement exemption for the following:

1. Describe the goods or services:
   Print advertisement -newspaper

2. Vendor/Contractor/Service Provider:
   Oahu Publications/The Garden Island Newspaper (TGI) – Kauai Branch

3. Amount of Request:
   $10,965.36

4. Term of Contract:
   From: July 1, 2022 to: June 30, 2023

5. Prior procurement exemption, if applicable:
   Click here to enter text. ☒ Not Applicable

6. Explain in detail why it is not practicable or not advantageous for the Department to procure by competitive means:
   The selection of this vendor is based on its target readership group; limited print publication with similar readership and Chapter 103D, HRS, pursuant to section 3-120-4(b)(14) HAR.

7. Explain in detail the process that will be or was utilized in selecting the Vendor/Contractor/Service Provider:
   The Department (Jonell Kaohelaulii) discussed with Advertising/Sales Executive, Eden Raquel of the Garden Island Newspaper (TGI) of the continuity of weekly newspaper advertising to expand its public outreach messages, water service related notices and other announcements. TGI's readership and community visibility are aligned with the Department’s efforts to capture their target audience whom prefer to read print news versus online, alternative platforms. TGI agreed to offer weekly banner print placement; with consistent location on Wednesdays; TGI's 2nd highest readership day and will include online website banner ads via TGI's website.

8. Identify the Procurement Officer (responsible employee conducting and managing this procurement) or the point of contact (employee to contact for further information).
   ☐ If checked the Procurement Officer is also the Point of Contact.

   Procurement Officer
   Name: Christine Erorita
   Title: Departmental Contracts Officer

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Point of Contact  
Name: Jonell Koahelaulii  
Title: I&E Specialist  
Division: Administration - PR  
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All requirements and approvals, and internal controls for this procurement have been complied with and the responsibility for ensuring compliance is met as required by HRS § 103D. I certify that the information provided herein is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.

/s/ Jonell Koahelaulii  
Division Head or Lead Electronic Signature

Inquiries about this request shall be directed to the contact named above. Written objections to this notice to issue an exempt procurement contract shall be submitted, within seven (7) calendar days, or as otherwise allowed from the date the notice is posted, to the Point of Contact.

Date Notice Posted: Monday, June 13, 2022

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CPO comments:
This approval for exemption is for the solicitation process only. All other requirements of HRS § 103D shall apply unless otherwise waived or exempted.

If there are any questions please contact the Point of Contact.

☐ APPROVED  ☐ DENIED

/s/ Joseph E. "Joe" Tait  
Chief Procurement Officer

Click here to enter a date.

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