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August 30, 2021

The Honorable Carol Fukunaga, Chair and Members
Committee on Public Information and Technology
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RICK BLANGIARDI

Dear Chair Fukunaga and Councilmembers:

SUBJECT: Follow-up Questions from the Public Information and

Technology Committee Discussion Regarding the Honolulu Fire Department's (HFD) Three-Month Fire Safety Report

In response to your letter dated August 26, 2021, regarding the abovementioned subject, the HFD provides the following responses:

1. How many fires involving residential condo properties built before 1975 and with a height of more than 10 stories have occurred since 2014?

There have been 47 fires since 2014 involving residential condominiums that were built before 1975 with a height of more than 10 stories.

2. How many fires involving smaller residential condo properties built before 1975 and with a height below 10 stories have occurred since 2014?

There have been 336 fires since 2014 involving smaller residential condominiums with a height below 10 stories. The HFD did not track the year all buildings below 10 stories were built per the definition of an existing high-rise residential building, as defined in Article 5, Section 20-5.1 of the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 and established in Ordinance 18-14.

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3. How many fires involving residential condo properties built before 1975 and with exterior hallways have occurred since 2014?

There have been 40 fires since 2014 involving residential condominiums that were built before 1975 with exterior hallways.

Should you have questions, please contact Acting Assistant Chief Reid Yoshida of our Support Services division at 723-7151 or ryoshida@honolulu.gov.

Sincerely,

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