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COMMUNITY-BASED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (CBED) **ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING** Tuesday, May 20, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

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AGENDA

I. Call to Order

i. Introduction of Council Members and Guests

II. Old Business

- i. Approval of CBED Advisory Council Meeting Minutes for April 15, 2025.
- ii. Update on Grant for Merrie Monarch Festival, Lisa Pakele, INPEACE Center for Entrepreneurship.
- iii. Update on Grant for Micro-Lending, Lei Riedel, Director, the Pakini Loan Fund.

III. New Business

- i. Recommendation/Approval of a CBED Grant of \$10,000 to The Institute for Native Pacific Education and Culture (INPEACE) Center for Entrepreneurship, a 501(c) Community-Based Organization. The funds will support a cohort of five (5) Native Hawaiian-owned small businesses in participating in the 2025 Made In Hawaii Festival, to increase brand visibility and generate sales. Presented by Lisa Pakele, Program Director, INPEACE Center for Entrepreneurship.
- ii. Recommendation/Approval of a CBED Grant of \$75,000 grant to the Pakini Loan Fund, an emerging Native CDFI and 501(c) Community-Based Organization. \$50,000 will fund their micro loan program that supports Native Hawaiian businesses and community organizations throughout the State of Hawai'i with a focus on those located on the Wai'anae Coast. \$25,000 will support the Pakini Fund directly with the Native CDFI certification process and operational expenses. Presented by Lei Riedel, Director, the Pakini Loan

IV. Next Meeting: June17, 2025

V. Adjournment

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