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The Honorable Martin Heinrich
Chair
U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Agriculture and Rural
Development, Food and Drug
Administration, and Related Agencies
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable John Hoeven
Ranking Member
U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chair Heinrich and Ranking Member Hoeven,

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2025 Agriculture and Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. I further certify that none of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for-profit entities.

Sincerely,



Mazie K. Hirono
United States Senator

**Hirono, Mazie(D-HI) Agriculture
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Pacific Gateway Center	To transition 40 farm businesses operated by socially disadvantaged farmers in 176 acres of farmland in Kunia to a new 262 acre of farmland site in Haleiwa, Oahu.	City and County of Honolulu HI	\$798
Paupena Community Development Inc	To construct 8-foot ungulate mitigation fencing around 102 acres of an agroforestry area to protect native species and reduce crop damage.	County of Maui HI	\$421
County of Maui	To build a new fire station to adequately address the long-term fire protection needs of the expanding rural community in the Haiku area.	County of Maui HI	\$15,181
Mapunawai Inc	This project aims to bridge the digital divide in Hawaii's rural communities by providing comprehensive digital literacy training and access to loaner laptops.	State-wide HI	\$127