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Director, Department of Human Services

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(Social Worker Name)  
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Petitioner, Department of Human Services

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF THE SECOND CIRCUIT  
STATE OF HAWAII

In the Interest of

FC-\_\_\_ No.

Born on:

EX PARTE PETITION FOR  
JURISDICTION UNDER THE YOUNG  
ADULT VOLUNTARY FOSTER CARE  
ACT; EXHIBIT "A"

EX PARTE PETITION FOR JURISDICTION UNDER  
THE YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTARY FOSTER CARE ACT AND DECLARATION

Petitioner, a duly appointed social worker of the Department of Human Services ("DHS"), hereby declares, under penalty of perjury, that the statements made herein are true and correct to the best of Petitioner's knowledge, information, and belief.

1. The above-named young adult is no longer under the permanent custody, foster custody, voluntary foster custody, or court-ordered temporary foster custody of the DHS, and is no longer under the court's jurisdiction pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes ("HRS") Chapter 587A, such jurisdiction having terminated on \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The above-named young adult voluntarily consents to participate in the Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care Program, pursuant to HRS Chapter 346 Part XIX;

3. The above-named young adult has signed a Voluntary Care Agreement, which is attached as Exhibit "A";

4. The DHS has made reasonable efforts to achieve permanency for the above-named young adult;

5. It is in the best interest of the above-named young adult to extend foster care services; and

6. The above-named young adult was (check one):

Under the permanent or foster custody of the DHS at the time the young adult attained the age of eighteen;

A child who was placed in guardianship after attaining the age of sixteen;

A child who was adopted after attaining the age of sixteen: and

The above-named young adult is (check all that apply):

Completing secondary education or a program leading to an equivalent credential;

Enrolled in an institution that provides post-secondary or vocational education;

- Participating in a program or activity designed to promote or remove barriers to employment;
- Employed for at least eighty hours per month;
- Incapable of doing any of the activities described in Hawai'i Revised Statutes §346-395(4)(A) to (D) due to a medical condition.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that (1) the Court grant this Petition, (2) the Court assume jurisdiction of this matter, and (3) the above-named young adult be permitted to enter the Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care Program pursuant to HRS Chapter 346 Part XIX.

DATED: Wailuku, Hawai'i, \_\_\_\_\_.

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DHS Social Worker

Reviewed and Approved by:

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DHS Supervisor