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July 25, 1996

Walter Ah Hee, Construction Chairman
Tenrikyo Kakako Kyokai
218 Hoomalu Street
Hilo, HI 96720

Dear Mr. Ah Hee:

Use Permit (USE 65)
Applicant: Tenrikyo Kakako Kyokai
Request: Extension of Time to Condition No. 4 (Complete Construction)
Tax Map Key: 2-5-60:18

The Planning Commission at its duly held public hearing on July 11, 1996, voted to approve the above-referenced request. Use Permit No. 65 was issued to allow the establishment of a church and related improvements within the County's Single Family Residential (RS-15) zoned district. The amendment request is for an extension of time to complete construction of the church. The property is located between Iiwipolena Road and Hokulani Street, adjacent to and north of Kaumana-Lani Subdivision at Ponahawai, South Hilo, Hawaii.

Approval of this request is based on the following:

The inability of the applicant to complete construction of the proposed church and related improvements is the result of conditions which could not have been foreseen or are beyond the control of the applicant. The applicant initially secured Final Plan Approval on November 16, 1989, and subsequently secured a Building Permit on January 16, 1993. Due to the applicant's financial situation and resulting with revisions to the building construction plans, the Planning Director granted the applicant an extension of time until November 16, 1995, wherein to complete construction of the proposed church and related improvements. According to the applicant, the church is being constructed voluntarily by the membership on its available time basis and, therefore, the membership has not being able to meet the completion date as required by Condition No. 4. Further, the church is approximately 75 percent completed.

Approval of this amendment request would not be contrary to the County General Plan or Zoning Code nor the original reasons for the granting of Use Permit No. 65. The applicant has made efforts to comply with the conditions of Use Permit No. 65 by securing Final Plan Approval and a Building Permit as well as an Electrical Permit and Plumbing Permit. As

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previously stated, the church is about 75 percent constructed. The agencies reviewing the request have no objections.

Based on the above considerations, Condition No. 4 of Use Permit No. 65 is hereby amended as follows (material to be deleted is bracketed and new material is underscored):

4. The construction of the proposed church and related improvements shall commence within one year from the effective date of final Plan Approval and be completed within two years [thereafter] <u>from the date of this amendment</u>.

This approval does not, however, sanction the specific plans submitted with the application as they may be subject to change given specific code and regulatory requirements of the affected agencies.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Alice Kawaha or Susan Gagorik of the Planning Department at 961-8288.

Sincerely,

Kevin M. Balog, Chairman
Planning Commission

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