

BOARD OF APPEALS
COUNTY OF HAWAII

HEARING TRANSCRIPT
OCTOBER 12, 2007

The following is a public statement provided by DONALD R. THRELFALL regarding the appeal of **DERRICK AND SONIA LIU (BOA 07-000046)** at 10:30 a.m. in the County of Hawaii, Aupuni Center Conference Room, 101 Pauahi Street, Hilo, Hawai'i, with Chairman Valta A. Cook presiding.

PRESENT: Valta A. Cook
David Drury
Peter Hendricks
Joel Gimpel
Diane Gentry
Kim Tavares

ABSENT & EXCUSED: Kelly Ann Soo

Brooks Bancroft, Counsel to the Board
Alice Kawaha, Staff to the Board

And 25 people from the public in attendance

PETITIONER: DERRICK AND SONIA LIU (BOA 07-000046) - Appeal of Decision by the Planning Director dated March 19, 2007 First Recurring Violation (ZCV 06-019E) relating to operation of an "Amusement and Recreation Facility, Major Outdoor" (motorcycle and dirt bike race track) in an Agricultural District. The property consists of approximately 19.5 acres and is located on the south side of Kapuna Road, Ahualoa Homesteads, Hamakua, Hawai'i, TMK: (3) 4-6-8:24.

COOK: I'm sorry, the first individual that wanted to speak this morning, I wanted to make sure of his capacity. Have you been called, you're not a party to the action. Have you been -?

THRELFALL: No, no, no. I understand it now. I misunderstood before.

COOK: Oh, okay. Well, we don't want to keep anyone from testifying and I didn't mean to indicate that you couldn't. So actually these are public comments rather than testimony that we're receiving now. So would you give us your name again -.

THRELFALL: My name is -.

COOK: Wait, wait. Your address, and the matter that you are speaking on, and then give us your comments, okay?

THRELFALL: My name is Donald Threlfall. I live in Ahualoa. And it's on No. 8, the dirt track issue. My wife, Heather, and I run the Hawaii Island Goat Dairy where we raise goats, milk them and make goat cheese. We've been doing it for about 8 years now. And what we are

worried about is if this becomes something that other people can do, it would totally disrupt our business because the tremendous amount of noise -. I've been at Mr. George's place when these motorcycles and ATVs were operating, and it is tremendously noisy. We could not operate our business, if something like this took place anywhere close to us. Thank you.

COOK: Okay, thank you very much.

The statement ended at 10:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Noriko Sauer
West Hawai'i Secretary