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Mr. H. William Burgess
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Dear Mr. Burgess:

On behalf of Secretary Jackson, thank you for your letter dated April 27, 2007, regarding application for real property tax exemptions equivalent to those exclusively for Hawaiian Homesteaders in the County of Maui.

In your letter you demand, "pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, the Fifth Amendment and other provisions of the Constitution, and federal civil rights laws, that the United States and its officers and agencies immediately abrogate and cease and desist from further enforcement or implementation of that Compact, the HHCA and all other federal laws which assist, finance, aid or abet the enforcement or implementation of the HHCA".

We are referring your letter to Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity Kim Kendrick to address your concerns about equal treatment and HUD's programs with the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

You may refer your questions to Assistant Secretary Kim Kendrick at 202-708-4252.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael S. Flores".

Michael S. Flores
Acting Field Office Director

Exhibit 5