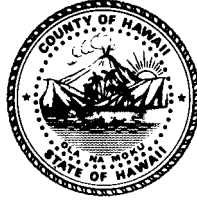


COUNTY OF HAWAI'I



STATE OF HAWAI'I

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION URGING OPPOSITION TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1226, HD1,
RELATING TO GENETICALLY MODIFIED PLANT ORGANISMS**

WHEREAS, Bill 361, Draft 2, prohibiting tests, propagation, cultivation, planting, growing or introduction of genetically engineered (transgenic) taro (kalo) and coffee, was passed by the County Council of Hawai'i on November 13, 2008; and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 1226 HD1 preempts any other county regulatory action that bans or restricts all activities relating to genetically modified plant organisms, except that contained in Hawai'i County Bill 361, Draft 2; and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 1226 HD1 if passed by the State Legislature would restrict the County of Hawai'i from exercising any further regulatory activity in regard this highly controversial matter of genetically modified plant organisms, to include the control of field testing regardless of future scientific findings; and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 1226 HD1 would usurp county authority to set future agricultural policy regarding genetically modified organisms and thereby repudiate home rule principals without just cause; and

WHEREAS, the County Council of Maui approved Resolution 09-29 on March 20, 2008 which urges opposition to House Bill No. 1226 HD1 now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I that it hereby urges opposition to House Bill No. 1226, HD1, in unison with Bill 361, Draft 2 passed in November 2008 prohibiting the research on, and planting of genetically engineered taro and genetically engineered coffee; and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I that it hereby urges opposition to House Bill No. 1226, HD1, in order to protect and preserve the County's home rule and authority; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to the Honorable Charmaine Tavares, Mayor, County of Maui; the Honorable Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr., Mayor, County of Kaua'i; Mufi Hannemann, Mayor, City and County of Honolulu; the Honorable Linda Lingle, Governor, State of Hawai'i; the State Speaker of the House and the members of the House of Representatives; the State Senate President and members of the Senate.

Dated at _____, Hawai'i, this _____ day of _____, 2009.

INTRODUCED BY:

COUNCIL MEMBER, COUNTY OF HAWAI'I

COUNTY COUNCIL
County of Hawai'i
Hilo, Hawai'i

I hereby certify that the foregoing RESOLUTION was by
the vote indicated to the right hereof adopted by the COUNCIL of the
County of Hawai'i on _____.

ATTEST:

COUNTY CLERK CHAIRPERSON & PRESIDING OFFICER

ROLL CALL VOTE

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Reference: _____

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