

SB 2499

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Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
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Subject: SB 2499 Relating To Taro, "SUPPORT"

ALOHA Kakou,


My name is Richard Pomaikaiokalani Kinney. As Sovereign of the Hawaiian Political Action Council of Hawaii, I SUPPORT the passage of SB 2499.

Taro is the most nutritious vegetable known to mankind. Taro has been cultivated in Hawaii from the beginning of time with the arrival of the native indigenous Kanaka Maoli people first arrived in Hawaii. Taro continues to be cultivated by the Kanaka Maoli of today's Hawaii as it was in the past.

Taro should be Hawaii's Number One Cultivated Agriculture Crop. As a Health Food Taro should be added to all of Hawaii's produced products. Not only to Pan Cake Mix.

Once more HPACH strongly Supports the passage of SB 2499.
Mahalo nui for the opportunity to present testimony on this Bill.

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