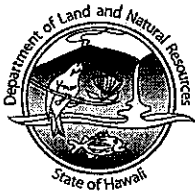


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**Testimony of
WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on
WATER, LAND & OCEAN RESOURCES**

**Friday, March 23, 2012
10:45 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 325**

**In consideration of
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 186/HOUSE RESOLUTION 144
REQUESTING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 1 THROUGH 7, 2012, TO BE
RECOGNIZED AS "HAWAII FISHING AND SEAFOOD WEEK"**

House Concurrent Resolution 186/House Resolution 144 would recognize the first week of October 2012 to be Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Week. The Department of Land and Natural Resources supports these resolutions and acknowledges the importance of public awareness toward the fishing and the seafood industry for Hawaii.

WILLIAM J. AILA, JR.
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Testimony for WLO 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM HCR186

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Brendt Chang
Organization: Dana Sportfishing LLC
E-mail: brendtchang@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:



FISHING TALES

with
*Mike
Sakamoto*

Testimony to the House Committee on Water, Land, and Ocean Resources
March 23, 2012

Testimony in support of HCR 186 / HR 144

To: The Honorable Ken Ito, Chair
The Honorable Sharon Har, Vice-Chair
Members of the Committee

My name is Stefanie Sakamoto, and I am testifying on behalf of Fishing Tales with Mike Sakamoto, a company that was founded by my father in 1985, and the Mike Sakamoto Memorial Scholarship. In addition to producing a fishing show in Hawaii for 15 years, Mike Sakamoto was a tireless fishing advocate, whose philosophy was the preservation of fishing rights and ocean resources for future generations.

We are in strong support of HCR 186 / HR 144, Requesting the Week of October 1-7, 2012 be Recognized as "Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Week". The Pacific Islands Fisheries Group, along with many other members of the fishing and seafood community, established the Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Festival in 2005, and the event has seen yearly growth. Hawaii's fishing and seafood industries are an integral part of the culture, lifestyle, and economy of our island state, and the festival was established as a way to celebrate and promote it. By recognizing Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Week, the public is given even more of an opportunity to learn about the importance of our responsible fishing and seafood community. Only through education and awareness can we ensure that there will be "fish today for fish tomorrow".

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo,

Stefanie Y. Sakamoto
Chair, Mike Sakamoto Memorial Scholarship



**Hawaii
Aquaculture &
Aquaponics Association**

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DATE: Friday, March 23, 2012

TIME: 10:45 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 325
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HCR 186 highlights the importance of Hawaii's ocean, fish resources and fishing industry to our economic and quality of life. The Hawaii Aquaculture and Aquaponics Association (HAAA), the trade association representing both land and ocean aquatic farming, strongly endorses this resolution.

While currently contributing a small portion of domestically harvested fish for consumers, aquaculture production is growing and together with the fishing industry represents two sustainable sources of supply for our local tourist and resident markets.

HAAA has participated in the Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Festival, and it is an outstanding event that is focused on seafood awareness and education. Having the Governor declare a week to acknowledge the many contributions of locally produced seafood to society underscores the State goal of food self sufficiency and security.

Thank you for the opportunity to support this measure.

John Corbin
Secretary
Hawaii Aquaculture and Aquaponics
Association

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Testimony for WLO 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM HCR186

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Alan Gottlieb
Organization: Hawaii Cattlemen's Council
E-mail: gottlieb@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 3/21/2012

Comments:

Regarding HCR186/HR144

I am in full support of the resolution to declare Oct. 1-7, 2012, as "Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Week."

It will help bring needed public attention to a part of our daily diet that some have taken for granted. And fishing has been a long-established part of our local cultural heritage.

With Hawaii being the most geographically isolated spot on the planet, food security is a serious concern. In addition to terrestrial farming, the ability to develop, maintain and manage our near-shore and open-ocean fisheries will be a major aspect of our food supply in the near future.

There is no better way to teach our keiki -- our future generations -- about one of Hawaii's most cherished traditions than through a series of events dedicated to fishing.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Aloha,
Dean Sensui, executive producer
Hawaii Goes Fishing

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Wednesday, March 21, 2012 12:14 PM
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Cc: tony@pop-hawaii.com
Subject: Testimony for HCR186 on 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Tony Costa
Organization: HAWAII NEARSHORE FISHERMEN
E-mail: tony@pop-hawaii.com
Submitted on: 3/21/2012

Comments:

For each and every reason cited in the "whereas" clauses of this resolution, Hawaii Nearshore Fishermen stand in strong support of the resolution HCR186 & HR144

Thank you for your support and for recognizing the locally produced food that is truly a feather in Hawaii's sustainability cap - Hawaiian Seafood and Fishing

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Costa
Hawaii Nearshore Fishermen

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Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2012 8:56 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: cycads@hawaii.rr.com
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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Greg Holzman
Organization: Kauai Ocean users
E-mail: cycads@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

I support the bill and I hope that the building and promotion of Hawaii seafood will help our State as the only Maritime State in the Union. we need to promote healthy sustainable fisheries in Hawaii. As a long time commercial Bottom fisherman I know the hard work Fishermen face and how much of a love of the ocean and not pure economics fishing really is. I would hope that the Hawaii legislators would recognize this and support and promote Hawaii seafood and the fishermen that risk there lives for a healthy wild protein that keep our Island State unique and defines us as a culture in the Hawaiian Islands. Thank You Greg Holzman

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Carl P Jellings Sr
Organization: Near Shore Miso Pelagic Fisheries
E-mail: mjellings@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 3/21/2012

Comments:
In Strong Support

Mahalo Honorable House of Representatives

Carl P Jellings Sr

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Subject: Testimony for HCR186 on 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Evander Faletogo
Organization: miso pelagic nearshore fisheries
E-mail: ruthlessmysterie@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 3/21/2012

Comments:
Thank You Honorable House of Representatives

Mr Evander Falitago

Rep. Jerry Chang, Chair
Rep. Sharon Har, Vice Chair
Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources

Friday, March 23, 2012

In support of HCR 186 & HR 144

As a fisherman, and someone who takes part in the Hawaii Fishing & Seafood Festival every year, I am in full support of these resolutions. Fishing is an important part in the lives of so many Hawaii residents, and designating "Hawaii Fishing & Seafood Week" will benefit our community and our economy.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matthew Ross', written in a cursive style.

Matthew Ross

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2012 8:01 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: rnvfishing@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HCR186 on 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM

Testimony for WLO 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM HCR186

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Roy N. Morioka
Organization: Individual
E-mail: rnvfishing@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:
Strongly support! Fishing and seafood are integral to Hawaii, not only agricultural commodities.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2012 8:23 AM
To: WLOtestimony
Cc: Fishingready@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HCR186 on 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Ronald Tam
Organization: Individual
E-mail: Fishingready@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Cc: mizokami@hawaiiantel.net
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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Myles Mizokami
Organization: Individual
E-mail: mizokami@hawaiiantel.net
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Phil Fernandez
Organization: Individual
E-mail: philferna@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

I am a resident of the Big Island and I support this resolution.

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Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2012 10:38 AM
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Cc: tokunaga@hialoha.net
Subject: Testimony for HCR186 on 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Michael Tokunaga
Organization: Individual
E-mail: tokunaga@hialoha.net
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Subject: Testimony for HCR186 on 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM

Testimony for WLO 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM HCR186

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: mike buck
Organization: Individual
E-mail: themikebuckshow@aol.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

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Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2012 11:17 AM
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Cc: courtlandp@hotmail.com
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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Courtland Pang
Organization: Individual
E-mail: courtlandp@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

I support designation of the week of October 1st through October 7th, 2012 as Hawaii Fishing and SeaFood Week. Given the significant role that fishing occupies in the culture, diet, and lives of the people of Hawaii, this designation is the least that the Legislature should do for those many fishers, restauranteurs, and consumers among their constituents.

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Mary Naweli
Organization: Individual
E-mail: mnaweli@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: HuangChi Kuo
Organization: Individual
E-mail: huangchi@hawaii.edu
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

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Cc: mmatias@oematias.com
Subject: Testimony for HCR186 on 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Mike Matias
Organization: Individual
E-mail: mmatias@oematias.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:
I support HCR 186

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Cc: blkimata@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for HR144 on 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM

Testimony for WLO 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM HR144

Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Brian Kimata
Organization: Individual
E-mail: blkimata@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

Distinguished Committee Members

Please Support HCR 186 AND HR 144. We need to preserve and protect our culture and our rights and our ties to the seas that protect and provide for us. Please support this issue. Thank You

Brian Kimata

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Cc: llois@gmail.com
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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Lois Brown
Organization: Individual
E-mail: llois@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

Hawaii being an island state, we definitely need to promote fishing and educate the public about how we can sustain this natural resource. A special week to highlight this would be most productive in doing so.

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: ArthurTakamiya
Organization: Individual
E-mail: atakamiya@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Larry Gaddis
Organization: Individual
E-mail: larrygaddis@live.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

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Cc: bigboyulua@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for HR144 on 3/23/2012 10:45:00 AM

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Kevin
Organization: Individual
E-mail: bigboyulua@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

Please kokua our fishing community and businesses by supporting this bill. Thank you very much.

har2-Samantha

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Conference room: 325
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Brendt Chang
Organization: Individual
E-mail: brendtchang@gmail.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:
I support HR 144

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Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Jason K. Savella Sr.
Organization: Individual
E-mail: Micajay143@aol.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

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Submitted by: Jeremy heen
Organization: Individual
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Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments:

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Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Calvin Lai
Organization: Individual
E-mail: clai@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 3/22/2012

Comments: