



# Hawaii Hunting Association

“To Preserve, Promote and Protect  
Hawaii’s Wildlife Resources”

January 23, 2013

To the House Committee on Water and Land

To the Honorable Cindy Evans, Chair  
To the Honorable Nicole E. Lowen, Vice Chair  
And other committee members

Regarding HB 104,

PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT RELATING TO THE CONSERVATION, CONTROL AND DEVELOPMENT OF RESOURCES.	1/25/2013 8:30 AM
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We fully support the Constitutional Amendment relating to our introduced animal resources. Considering that the ancient Polynesians brought with them numerous resources to the Islands including the pig, in order to preserve their culture practices and assure nutritional sustainability, the pig and subsequent gifts of goats, sheep, axis deer and cattle to the monarchy rightfully deserve these protections for perpetuity.

These vital introductions were important to the prosperity and lifestyle of Hawaii over the past centuries and have special place here both culturally and economically. These animals must be sensibly managed in order to preserve their rightful and necessary place in Hawaii’s future. It is both necessary and fitting that we return these resources to protected status they once enjoyed with our original Constitution.

Much Aloha,

Tom Lodge

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### **HB104**

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Comments: Our Introduced animals to the state of Hawaii came with the early polynesians, pig, jungle fowl, dogs, rats, etc, and were brought here as resources. Sugar cand, taro, ulu, yams, all were introduced for the benefit of life here in Hawaii. Like water, to benefit by it, it has to be managed, not eradicated. People depend on our natural and introduced resources and we should respect as well the introduced gifts to the monarchy, as a Hawaiian Heritage. Management, not eradication demands we protect these animal resources into perpetuity. Much Aloha, Tom Lodge

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