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**TESTIMONY OF RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN
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BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

**MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2013
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ROOM 312**

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 149
REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION
REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD AND DRUG
ADMINISTRATION TO COME UP WITH A NATION-WIDE SYSTEM FOR MONITORING,
LABELING, AND ENFORCING THE LABELING OF ALL WHOLE AND PROCESSED
GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOODS**

Chairperson Wooley and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Resolution No. 149. The purpose of this resolution is to request the United States Congress to support legislation requiring the United States Department of Agriculture and the United States Food and Drug Administration to come up with a nation-wide system for monitoring, labeling, and enforcing the labeling of all genetically engineered foods. The Department supports this measure.

In recent years, there has been a push to mandate the labeling of genetically engineered foods at the state level. The enormity of such a task is beyond the scope and expertise of the various state agencies and would be better served if done at a national level. Furthermore, a national standard for labeling would provide consistent application across the states making it easier to monitor and enforce and creating a level playing field for all food producers from farmers to processors.

Thank you for this opportunity to present our testimony.



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Alicia Morrier	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Andrew Pendleton	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Accurate, truthful, verifiable labeling of all food by every farmer and manufacturer is essential for my family and I to make intelligent choices of what we do and do not want in our bodies.

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Beverly Frederick	WisdomWay Center	Support	No

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Blake Watson	Individual	Support	No

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Candace Freeland	Individual	Support	No

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Cari Taylor	Individual	Support	No

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Chama Cascade	Hawai'i Oasis	Support	No

Comments: I support a nation wide labeling of all products distributed in or from the U.S.A. That would indicate the contents has or does not contain genetically modified ingredients. Thank you for your supporting this bill. Chama Cascade Hawaii Oasis

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chris kobayashi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: we need a complete gmo labeling of all seeds, plants, foods, raw and packaged, imported or locally grown.

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Claudia Herfurt	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Pleas vote YES on HR149

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Dave Kisor	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I would advise adding a line something like "those from the industry being regulated shall have no dealings with the aforementioned legislation," as you know industry personnel are slaving over influencing and drafting this legislation.

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david balfour	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I'm 100% for labeling food ingredients.....including GMOs.

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David Barter	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Please pass this bill, and HB174,next session.

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Now that HR 933 has been passed by Congress, with the Monsanto Protection Act slipped in, this dangerous rider found in Section 735 of the bill would create a precedent-setting limitation on judicial review of genetically-engineered crops, allowing them to be planted without federal safeguards in place that protect our environment, family farmers and citizens.

The only way we can know what we're eating is through Federal legislation that would support GMO labeling. Those of us who are convinced that GMOs pose a health threat to people and the environment deserve to be given as much consideration as the large corporate interests who have so successfully lobbied for their own profits.

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Douglas Orton	Individual	Support	No

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Felicia Cowden	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support this bill because there is strong value in encouraging a national change of direction. This is a baby step in the right direction. Thank you for the effort.

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Hilary Flaming	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I feel it is important for the well-being and empowerment of myself and the larger community to know what is in the food we buy. That way we can make informed decisions about what we eat and who we want to support.

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Jeannine Johnson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha mai kākou, I am heartened to see that 65% of the House of Representatives support labeling all whole and processed GE foods. I was dismayed to see that one senator, Clarence Nishihara, and his side kick Roz Baker, were able to stop HB 174 which also imposed labeling requirements even though hundreds of people submitted testimony in support of HB 174. May I suggest that all of 33 representatives collectively reprimand Sen. Nishihara and Baker for their blatant disregard of the will of the people because they are bought and paid for by GMO companies which gave them together over \$22,000? You have the power to work with your district Senators to accomplish this. Then we wouldn't have to wait for Congress to force the FDA to label GMOs. Because as you know, Congress also has its own Senators Nishihara and Baker who have been bought and paid for by wealthy GMO companies: Senator Max Baucus (\$68,000), Senator Orrin Hatch (\$59,000) and Senator Mitch McConnell (\$73,000). Mahalo for your collective and individual support to allow people to know what is in their food so that they can make informed choices to avoid the health risks of GMOs.

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Jeff Gerard	Individual	Support	No

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Jill Richardson	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support GMO/GE labeling. People have the right to choose farming practices they would like to support or not support with the money they spend in the store. People have the right to know what they are eating. There is questionable safety in GMO foods and the research done by independent studies prove this. There is a reason so many countries have banned GMO. Although industry is fighting this tooth and nail- advertising and intention is not fact. GMO is not feeding more people, it is not solving our environmental crisis and it is not for the people. It is clear that this is what people want- Please choose to side with supporting GMO labeling- it can not hurt.

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Joanna Schiller	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I am in full support of the measure HR149 that requires the USDA and FDA to create a labeling regime for GE foods. This is in the best interest of the health of our planet and the future of our keiki!

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Kaleopono Norris	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This is a step in the right direction. I support this resolution. The Hawaii Legislature ought to practice what it preaches, as well, and place similar GMO regulations in place here in our home state. Aloha.

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kate glover	Individual	Support	No

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Katja Bajema	Individual	Support	No

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As you know, despite much research, there is no scientific evidence that GMO products are harmful. Looking at the overall picture, we as a human race need to maximize our ability to provide food for our planet. Our resources are limited and the need is great. By modifying sources of food to give us stronger, healthier, more nutritious food allows us to maximize our productivity. Looking to the future, this is a matter of survival.

Genetics is an important field with much potential for the benefit of our human race. We see it happening in our quest to find cures for diseases, for example. The same applies to our food sources.

I think the "GMO" label is being used by some as a scare tactic. There is no reason at this point to be afraid of it. We know enough about it to know that there are many benefits and few if any drawbacks.

Arguments against Big Business are also distracting. Our food producers are trying to give us more and better food, at a cheaper cost, more efficiently and productively, by making use of available technology. We should support that, not create roadblocks which will in the long run be costly to us in terms of our ability to provide for our food needs. The competition between small farmers and large producers has many facets. Let's separate this out.

I see use of fertilizers and pesticides as a separate issue as well. These have nothing to do with genetic modification. These products are used on both genetically modified and non-genetically modified crops, by both large and small producers. The negative impacts of these practices are used unfairly as arguments against genetic modification. The fact is that some genetically modified products are more pest and disease resistant, decreasing the need for use of chemicals.

As legislators, I hope that you will look at things with an objective eye, and make decisions that will benefit all of us, not only those that are most vocal. I hope that facts, knowledge and reason would prevail over emotion, fear, and subjectivity.

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Aloha, to you and Mahalo in advance to everyone in attendance for your hearing my testimony in regards to House Resolution 149: The "LABEL ALL GMOs" Bill.

Requesting The United States Congress to Support Legislation Requiring The Department Of Agriculture, and Food and Drug Administration to place in effect a Nation-Wide system to monitor the labeling of all Whole and Processed Genetically Modified Foods.

My Name is Lawrence Ramirez, I am a resident of Waikoloa, Hawaii. I am deeply concerned about the scientifically proven and unseen effects that GM products have and will continue to have on our bodies and in our environment.

The ties that Monsanto and other Companies that develop "GM products" have with our Government are strong, and the monies that they have to bargain helps them to influence the Government to a point that is unlawful with the common man having no voice.

It is blatant misuse of power that Congress and the President is displaying, by allowing Monsanto and other Companies that develop "GM products" to develop and write their own Bill thereby allowing them free reign to destroy free enterprise in the Agriculture Industry and feed our children poisons hidden within our foods.

We the People of The United States of America are speaking!

Please hear us and Help us to have the choice to say "NO to GMO" Foods!

We are tired of being lied to and tired of being poisoned!

We know already, we have done our own research and found out the truth!

We are Teachers, Lawyers, Doctors, Farmers, Mothers Fathers, Grandparents and Children!

We Deserve a Voice in our Government just as much as Monsanto and Big Agriculture do!

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Lori Nakamura-Higa	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Mahalo Representatives: KAWAKAMI, AWANA, BELATTI, BROWER, CARROLL, CHEAPE, CHOY, EVANS, HANOHANO, ICHiyAMA, ING, ITO, JORDAN, C. LEE, LOWEN, LUKE, MCKELVEY, OHNO, ONISHI, OSHIRO, SAIKI, SAY, SOUKI, TAKAYAMA, TAKUMI, THIELEN, TOKIOKA, TSUJI, WOODSON, WOOLEY, Fukumoto, Johanson, Morikawa for introducing this resolution and moreover supporting what our honorable congressional delegates - the late Patsy Mink, the late Daniel Inouye and Daniel Akaka would've wanted for Hawaii, as well as all U.S. American citizens.

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Louise Butler	Individual	Support	No

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Lurlyn Scott	Individual	Support	No

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Lyn Howe	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I SUPPORT A BILL THAT REQUESTS THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT COME UP WITH A NATION-WIDE SYSTEM FOR MONITORING, LABELING, AND ENFORCING THE LABELING OF ALL WHOLE AND PROCESSED GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOODS. THANK YOU

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Malia Reghi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, I am opposed to foods that have had foreign DNA or chemicals added to it's genome. I oppose the companies conducting such things, and the political weight they carry. They are not the people. I have a right to boycott any item or service being offered, or worse yet, forced upon me. Trickery to avoid boycott and protest by false advertisement, and omission are simply unconstitutional. Monopolizing and patenting food items is unnatural. Please help the people to have a say in what they buy and support the companies they want by supporting the transparency in labeling and agricultural companies. If it's not so bad, why not be proud to label? Please help. Mahalo Nui, Malia Reghi

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Mara Hisiger	Individual	Support	No

Comments: It's the 'write' thing to do. Label are important. We need to be informed as to what is in our food! Mahalo!

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Maria Maitino	Individual	Support	No

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Mary M. Barter	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This is very sensible. Now please all of you vote for it.

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Michael J. Trout	Foundups Corp	Support	Yes

Comments: Merely comparing children health issues in GMO cultivators to none users you get a very clear picture of the crisis. I live in GMO free Japan with my Japanese wife and two children. I choose to live here because of food safety and the fact it is GMO crop free and require labeling. The health and safety of my children are the most important issue for me. less than 3% of Japanese children are obese and show virtually none of the health issues presented in US kids. Surely, this is what we want for our children? Labeling is an important 1st step. don't we have a right to know what is in our food?

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Mike Wong	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: We the people have a right to know and is diligently making a continued effort to let our elected representatives hear our voices that we want to know if our food is GMO or NOT. Thank you.

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Mitsuko Hayakawa	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Thank you for hearing this Resolution. I support a federal mandate to label GMOs. However, as we wait for a national labeling law, I would appreciate that some legislation be passed for our right to know on a state level. Mahalo.

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Nancy Redfeather	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This is a clear request. Thank you.

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Nicole McKamey	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am a science teacher, and I know that the practices of Genetic Engineering food companies, as they are now, are not safe. Although the companies will claim that their practices are safe, the studies they have conducted to try and prove it have so far not been "good science". There simply isn't enough evidence to support their hypothesis that their products and practices are safe. Thanks for your time and service.

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Patricia Hoban	Individual	Support	No

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Paulette Phillips	Individual	Support	No

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I am writing to urge your support of HR 149. It is vitally important to the health of our population to be able to avoid GMO's. All three of my children have strong food intolerances or allergies that began in the mid '90s. Record numbers of people are developing these food allergies. My daughter who is about to graduate from UH Hilo has a severe corn and soy allergy that manifested in her early teens. Recent research has shown that GMO foods sensitize the immune system to allergens it did not react to before. I do not believe it is just a coincidence that major marketing of unlabelled GMO corn and soy began at this time. Unleashing GMO crops unlabeled has already had a huge impact on our health. The least we can ask is that we can protect ourselves and our children by being able to avoid these products through honest disclosure on their labels.

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ray dittman	Individual	Support	No

Comments: i support labeling as such on genetically modified food. people have a right to know whet they are buying and eating.

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Rise Doi	Individual	Support	No

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RE: HR149

Position: Strong support

Robert Petricci

Aloha

Rep. Jessica Wooley, Chair, AGR, Rep. Richard H.K. Onishi, Vice Chair

I support truth in labeling. The majority of consumers in Hawaii want to be able to make fully informed decisions about what they are feeding their families.

I personally do not want to eat GMO foods, nor would I knowingly feed them to my family. That means I have to shop at stores that label their foods organic or non GMO and have to be almost an expert on the issue as I find GMO's hidden in many of the products sold in Hawaii.

I find GMO unknowns extremely disturbing and limiting. I rarely eat at restaurants anymore because for me I do not want to eat foods with more round up byproducts or more pesticides some of which may be genetically engineered directly into the food itself. For my family as an educated and experienced farmer myself I do not want to eat residues of chemical fertilizers, herbicides, or pesticides. Others may not be concerned and that is their choice. However the huge organic market shows millions of Americans are concerned enough they are willing to pay a premium just to try to avoid or limit the amounts of these chemicals they feed their families.

I find it odd that if the GMO industry has nothing to hide and are confident in their products that they are fighting labeling. IMO, I see it as deceptive. Many Americans are not truly aware of the massive scale of GMO contamination of our food supply. I call it contamination because that is how I view it.

I am disturbed that other countries are requiring labeling or have even banned these crops yet the United States refuses to require a truth in labeling law. With the resources we have, we should be leading the world in policies that enable Americans to make the most informed decisions about what our families are eating, not left guessing and lagging behind countries with far less resources.

We know that many Americans are concerned about what they eat and do look for labels that say things like organic, natural, healthy, ect.

The GMO industry like the tobacco industry before them is fighting truth in labeling. That may seem a harsh comparison to some but I actually see many similarities. Remember industry science was used to delay warning labels on tobacco. I see that as relevant in deciding why we should err on the side of caution, on the side of the people not the corporate interest.

The GMO industry like the tobacco industry before it has thrown billions of dollars into fighting labeling, that

would not be necessary if Americans were not worried about feeding GMO's to their families. This is an industry against "the people" issue. If it was not you would not see the massive lobbying, campaign contributions, and media campaigns aimed at preventing labeling legislation on one side and large groups of ordinary people testifying in favor of labeling. It is a classic example of corporate interest versus public interest.

We have a right to reasonable educated choices and should not be left to guess, leave to luck, or be experts on how to determine what is in the foods we are eating. If Organic foods can be labeled there is no valid reason that GMO foods can not be labeled.

As I states this is pretty simply a corporations against the people issue. I ask you to side with "the people" and support HR149

Thank you for your consideration.

Robert Petricci

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Roger Harris	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Thank you for your support of this very important legislation.

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Sandra Herndon	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Mahalo nui loa for your support of this very important resolution. The purported fact of large numbers of people being fed worldwide with GMO crops is debatable - most of this experimental food has been used for animal feed (with less than favorable results, in general) and other processed foods. That being said, I am very grateful to see the significant number of representatives of the people who actually ARE responding to our concerns! I pray that this Resolution becomes the first step in a successful nationwide labeling bill, so that the public can be fully informed about the food we eat. Again, mahalo!

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Shannon Rudolph	Individual	Support	No

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Sheryl K. Palmer	Individual	Support	No

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To whom it may concern:

I support HR 149, requesting the United States Congress to support legislation requiring the Department of Agriculture and Food and Drug Administration to come up with a nation-wide system for monitoring, labeling, and enforcing the labeling of all whole and processed genetically engineered foods.

Consumers have a right to know what they are purchasing, it is unethical to hide ingredients, and GMO corn is not the same as corn. There has been no long term testing (50 years +) on GMOs, therefore long term side effects and allergies are unknown. The giant chemical companies that control the GMOs do not have interest in the population, only in their profits. This issue is similar to the cigarette companies before they required labeling. It is important that the laws protect the taxpayers, voters and consumers by having them know what they are putting in their mouths and feeding their families.

Sincerely,
Stephanie Walkeapaa
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Susan Douglas	Individual	Support	No

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Susan Kelsey	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I believe that the American people, actually, ALL people have a right to know what is in the food they eat. We already have labels with ingredients listed on our foods, we should also be able to know how those foods were grown.

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Dr. Suzanne Schiller	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support enforced labeling of GMO foods. I want to know what I am putting in to my body, and I want my patients to have the same right. Thank you, Dr. Suzanne Schiller, DC OCEAN VIEW CHIROPRACTIC & WELLNESS CENTER

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Sylvia Partridge	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please consider supporting nationwide labeling of all GMO foods so that people can have a choice about what they eat. Thank you very much.

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Troy Lopaka Abraham	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support mandatory passage of bill to label ALL GMOS

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yahavah mathison	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: "REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION TO COME UP WITH A NATION-WIDE SYSTEM FOR MONITORING, LABELING, AND ENFORCING THE LABELING OF ALL WHOLE AND PROCESSED GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOODS." Aloha,

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Beth McCormick	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: "We want a clean " REPEAL PLDC " as passed by State House HB 1133 on February 14, 2013 - - No mischief and last-minute amendments that weaken a straight PLDC REPEAL. We also object to other PLDC clones that replace PLDC."

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Brian Lehmann	Individual	Support	No

Comments: While 75-80% of foods consumed in the US may be genetically modified, it is not a market-driven phenomenon. As a result, natural agriculture, including certified organic, is under severe but artificial threat of cross-contamination from GMOs. Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds has said 50% of historic corn varieties are already contaminated with GMO.

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=10151455691656163&set=a.446196711162.238598.155935376162&type=3&theater> If we do not act now to restore sanity to the marketplace, it will become more and more difficult to differentiate between GMO and non-GMO agriculture, as is already the case with US commodity corn. Labeling is the most basic type of response which should immediately be implemented. I also urge the committee to direct a copy of this resolution to the FDA, urging them to ACT NOW on a legal petition presented to them to label GMOs, with well over one million signatures <http://justlabelit.org/>

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Deborah Sevy	Individual	Support	No

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Hildeliza Arias	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This message is in support of HR 149 and request the United States Congress support legislation requiring the Department of Agriculture and Food and Drug Administration to require all manufacturers nation-wide their labeling of all whole and processed genetically engineered food, for the purpose of monitoring, informing the consumer and enforcing the labeling of edibles. It is manufacturers' responsibility to change their labels. Their cost is no more than when they label their foods as "new." Consumers have a right to know what they are purchasing, as eating is a very intimate action, and to feed their families in a healthy manner. When a company hides the fact that GMOs are being used, they're hiding that fact. No one knows the long-term effects of these products, as I haven't heard of long term testing – 50-75 years. Too many products have been found to be harmful to humans and withdrawn at great cost of lives. Allergies are a very strong concern and any other side-effects in the body and GI system. We, as responsible individuals, are considered to be stewards of this small planet, and it is our duty to keep it clean and healthy for all our benefit. It is imperative that the laws protect taxpayers, voters and consumers allowing them to know what goes into their body. Sincerely, Hildeliza Arias 951-684-4616

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Kirsten Chase	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Honorable Panel, Please hear our plea, let us know what we are eating. Kindest regards,
Kirsten Chase

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Patricia Osborne	Individual	Support	No

Comments: demand that all gmo's be labeled.

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sara steiner	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Dear Legislators, Please support this Resolution, it is the least you can to to help us get the information we need to make a choice in what we eat. Remember, your family members eat the same food, and you wouldn't want to be responsible for their gmo tumors and diseases. Sincerely, Sara Steiner P.O. Box 1965 Pahoa, HI 96778

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Thomas Seaman	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I believe we should be at choice about many things, including what we eat. We need full disclosure. If they really believe it is safe, they should have no fear of full disclosure. Since Monsanto, etc. are fighting against full disclosure, it makes me wary. I'd actually prefer better testing by an actually independent tester before any GMO is allowed to come out of the laboratory settings.

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Wendy Baker	Individual	Support	No

Comments: It is a fundamental right of the consumer to know the ingredients in their foods. GMO ingredients must be labeled with a clear and uniform symbol.

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