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# SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER INTRODUCING A BILL TO WAIVE PROPERTY TAXES FOR AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENTS MADE ON AGRICULTURAL LANDS.

1           WHEREAS, a strong agricultural economy is built upon a wide  
2 array of agricultural operations that meet a variety of demands  
3 for agricultural products; and  
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5           WHEREAS, diversified agriculture requires innovation and  
6 adaptability to meet changing consumer demands, such as the  
7 growing demand for organic products; and  
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9           WHEREAS, the State must provide opportunities for small,  
10 niche product farms and new, start-up farmers pioneering  
11 innovative techniques and crops in order to build and sustain a  
12 robust, diversified agricultural economy; now, therefore,  
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14           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-seventh  
15 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2014,  
16 that the Honolulu City Council is urged to consider introducing  
17 a bill to waive property taxes for agricultural improvements  
18 made on agricultural lands; and  
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20           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that agricultural improvements  
21 include but are not limited to improvements related to food  
22 production, food safety, packaging, processing, and storage; and  
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24           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
25 Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City and County of  
26 Honolulu and Chairperson of the Honolulu City Council.  
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OFFERED BY: 

