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Testimony of
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Before the House Committee on
WATER & LAND

Monday, March 21, 2016
10:00 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 325

In consideration of
**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 22/HOUSE RESOLUTION 4
SUPPORTING GAME MAMMAL, GAME BIRD, AND FISHING RESOURCES IN
ORDER TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABILITY AND FOOD SECURITY AND TO
PRESERVE LONG STANDING LOCAL AND CULTURAL PRACTICES**

House Concurrent Resolution 22/House Resolution 4 proposes to recognize introductions of game mammals and game birds among the natural resources recognized by the Hawai'i Constitution. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) opposes these measures.**

A state constitutional mandate directing game animals on state lands as resources to be managed and conserved by the State creates an unnecessary conflict with the Department's public trust responsibilities and its obligations to balance numerous other statutory mandates.

Our constitutional public trust mandate is to conserve and protect Hawai'i's natural resources, and to promote the development and use of these resources consistent with their conservation and in furtherance of the self-sufficiency of the State (Hawai'i Constitution Article 11.1). Pursuant to state and federal statutory mandates, the Department also manages watershed resources and native forests and protects threatened and endangered species.

Hawai'i's native ecosystems evolved over millions of years into an intricate web of native Hawaiian species, many found nowhere else on earth, which make up our native forested watersheds and our reef ecosystems, and which serve as the foundation of our host culture. Protecting our source of water and conserving our native species and ecosystems are essential elements of Hawai'i's self-sufficiency and sustainability.

Game mammals and game birds were introduced by Europeans and Americans into Hawai'i in the modern era (pigs and goats by Vancouver in 1778; cattle and sheep by Vancouver in 1792, deer in 1868, mouflon in 1958). Game mammals and game birds are important resources for food, including subsistence hunting, and for sport, and are managed as game resources for food and sport in game management areas and public hunting areas.

In intact native Hawaiian ecosystems, however, introduced game animals are highly destructive species that unravel the fabric of our intact forests and destroy our watersheds and native Hawaiian plants, birds and insects, and in turn results in erosion which washes sediment and diseases into our streams and reefs.

Pursuant to statutory mandate Chapter 183D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Department manages a robust and successful hunting program that maintains and enhances opportunities for public hunting across the State. The Department regularly distributes game for the purpose of increasing the food supply in appropriate locations; manages and regulates game management areas and public hunting areas on most of the main Hawaiian Islands; and remains dedicated to preserving, protecting, and promoting public hunting statewide as required under the statute referenced above. Currently, the Department manages approximately 900,000 acres for public hunting (majority of the public lands) and has an active program to secure additional access rights to previously unavailable lands for recreational hunting opportunities. These programs have opened thousands of acres of new land to hunters in recent years (e.g. Waimea Heights, Unit L on Kaua'i, Pu'u Mali Mitigation area and the Ka'u forest reserve on Hawai'i Island). The Department continues to work with private and public landholders across the State to identify and negotiate access to more lands for public hunting (e.g. Kanaio on Maui).

The Department is committed to continually implementing its statutory duty to provide a successful public hunting program throughout the State. However, we believe that this resolution would create a direct conflict with our public trust responsibilities.

The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments.



**Department of Land and Natural Resources
Aha Moku Advisory Committee
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**Testimony of
Leslie Kuloloio, Chair**

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House Concurrent Resolution 22 recognizes that the practices of fishing and hunting have a long history in the culture of Hawaii. It also acknowledges that in Hawaii, traditionally and in contemporary communities, the availability of locally caught fish, meat, and the farming of vegetables is basic expectations of residents.

Aha Moku acknowledges and appreciates the intent of this bill, but opposes this resolution for the following reasons.

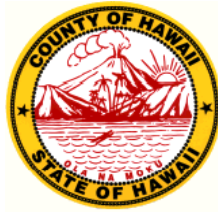
Native Hawaiians traditionally and continue today to hunt, gather and fish for subsistence on their ahupua'a and on their islands. However, challenges arise because all islands and moku are different in terrain, access and resources. For the protection and sustainability of natural resources for the State, DLNR manages a diverse hunting program that is geared to address the needs of the different islands. DLNR is also mandated to protect endangered flora and fauna. Aha Moku supports these programs as many of the ahupua'a and moku residents on the different islands actively participate in them whether it is in hunting, conservation, marine protection or protecting watersheds.

This resolution asks that the policies on conservation and protection of terrestrial and marine resources should promote the concept that game mammals, including the pig, goats, sheep, and deer be recognized as game mammal and bird resources; and, further that they be included among the natural resources recognized by the Hawaii State Constitution. We find this request to be problematic and of great concern. In the Hawaiian culture, natural resources are symbiotic with cultural resources. This resolution does not address the incompatibility of some of these species with the necessary conservation of other species such as endemic and indigenous plants.

While food security and sustainability of natural resources are recognized as critically important issues, we believe this resolution is too broad in its attempt to include all agricultural resources, fish, minerals, forests, water, land, game mammals, game birds, and other natural resources into one category – natural resources – which would be recognized by the Hawaii State Constitution.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this resolution. Because of the concerns listed above, we oppose this resolution.

William P. Kenoi
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Hawaii County Game Management Advisory Commission

March 21, 2016

Committee on Water and Land
For Hearing on Mar 21, 2016 10:00 AM
Conference Room 325
House Concurrent Resolution 22 - **SUPPORT**

Dear Chair Yamane; Vice Chair Cullen and Honorable Members of Water and Land,

HCR22 recognizes the many positive subsistence, economic, and cultural roles that introductions to Hawaii have made. Every introduction has an impact. Man has an impact. Every introduction needs to be weighed for its overall cost or benefit to SOCIETY.

Recognizing that our Constitution acknowledges the **importance of our many introductions** is a long overdue step toward asserting an integrated **responsibility and management of these resources** within our public and private lands. Our Aquatic and Game Resources play important subsistence roles for families extending length and breadth of the state.

Studies on Molokai and for the County of Hawaii, indicate that **40%** of Molokai meals are subsistence related and game constitutes close to if not much more than **half a million pounds** of harvest on the Big Island. Kauai, Lanai and rural Maui are no different.

Hawaii lags dramatically behind every state in the union except Rhode Island in developing the economic benefit potentials of our consumptive resources. Instead of marketing our resources, as every other state does in dramatic fashion compared to

Hawaii, for almost four (4) decades we have deliberately diminished and destroyed these resources without, some would say, due process.

Lastly, with all this talk of sustainability and nutrition, game is the most nutritious of anything you'll find in the freezer section.

We heartily endorse HCR22 and ask that it be passed and employed in order to bring a rational approach to the value of our terrestrial and aquatic resources and should be enthusiastically promoted.

Much Aloha,

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Tom Lodge, Chair.



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HEARING BEFORE THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

TESTIMONY ON HCR22/HR4
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PRESERVE LONG STANDING LOCAL AND CULTURAL PRACTICES

Room 325
10:00 AM

Aloha Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Cullen, and Members of the Committee:

I am Randy Cabral, President of the Hawaii Farm Bureau (HFB). Organized since 1948, the HFB is comprised of 1,900 farm family members statewide, and serves as Hawaii's voice of agriculture to protect, advocate and advance the social, economic and educational interest of our diverse agricultural community.

HFB supports HCR22/HR4, which supports game mammal, game bird, and fish resources in order to promote sustainability and food security and to preserve long standing local and cultural practices.

Hawaii Farm Bureau supports HCR22/HR4, recognizing that game mammal and game bird introductions, such as pigs, goats, sheep, deer, and other introduced sustainability resources should be included among the natural resources acknowledged by the Hawaii Constitution. HFB agrees that these food sources should be properly managed by the appropriate state departments in order to promote food and economic security in the islands.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.



***Hawaii Hunting Association
To Protect & Promote Sustainable
Public Hunting in Hawaii***

**HCR 22
STRONGLY SUPPORT**

March 21, 2016

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Conference Room 325
House Concurrent Resolution HCR22

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HCR22

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Testimony for WAL on Mar 21, 2016 10:00AM in Conference Room 325

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dean Sensui	Hawaii Goes Fishing	Support	No

Comments: Throughout its history, Hawaii has always depended heavily upon its natural resources. Today, with an ever-increasing population, those resources are even more important than before. Fishing and hunting must be taken seriously and be considered integral parts of Hawaii's plan for long-term food security. I fully support this resolution. Aloha, Dean Sensui, executive producer, Hawaii Goes Fishing.

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The Society for Hawaii Heritage Animals

SUPPORTING HCR22/ HR4

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2016
Monday, March 21, 2016 10:00 a.m. Conference Room 325

COMMITTEE ON WATER & LAND
Rep. Ryan I. Yamane, Chair
Rep. Ty J.K. Cullen, Vice Chair

SUPPORTING GAME MAMMAL, GAME BIRD, AND FISHING RESOURCES IN ORDER TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABILITY AND FOOD SECURITY AND TO PRESERVE LONG STANDING LOCAL AND CULTURAL PRACTICES.

Outdoor recreation, including hunting is an integral part of the health and well being of Hawaii's residents. Of further importance and of necessity to many residents in rural communities is the ability to enjoy and share in a sustainable subsistence lifestyle.

Hawaii's game animals were introduced to the Islands as an alternative source to ocean protein dating back to the arrival of early Polynesians. They have become a fixture in our culture as a sustainable food resource.

Properly managed, they contribute to our Islands self-sufficiency, generate income, and provide recreational opportunity for the people of Hawaii.

To further enjoy this lifestyle a more balanced approach to resource management is required. This means more balance in policy making and implementation.

The removal of game as a natural resource from our State constitution in the 1978 constitutional convention was in error as noted in Article X section 1 CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF RESOURCES see Revision note. If the amendment alters the sense, meaning or effect of any provision of the Constitution, it was not ratified and is not effective to change the language of the Constitution. The Supreme Court of Hawaii in Kahalekai v. Doi, 60 Haw. 324, 590 P.2d 543, 1979 Haw. LEXIS 93 (1979), excerpted in the note preceding the Preamble to the Constitution.

Please recognize the importance that our wild food resources have to the people of Hawaii by passing House Resolution HCR22/HR4.

Mahalo for your support!

Tony Sylvester, Executive Director, The Society of Hawaii Heritage Animals

To: Committee on Water & Land
From: Tony Costa, Hawaii Nearshore Fishermen
Re: HCR22 / HR4 in SUPPORT

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
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COMMITTEE ON WATER & LAND

Rep. Ryan I. Yamane, Chair
Rep. Ty J.K. Cullen, Vice Chair

DATE: Monday, March 21, 2016
TIME: 10:00 am
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State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

HCR22 / HR4
Testimony in support

Hawaii Nearshore Fishermen support with vigor HCR22&HR4 and believe there is never a better time to acknowledge and support Hawaii's locally produced food resources.

HCR22&HR4 Urges the State Constitution in recognizing Hawaii's valuable fish, game and other resources as such - while urging the conservation, development, and utilization of such.

Most importantly, this resolution calls to formally integrate through rules and policies the local hunting and fishing industries into any food security or sustainability strategies in as much and thereby retaining and nurturing local sustainable food production resources.

Hawaii's modern day hunters, nearshore and offshore fishermen are unique in that they practice a time honored craft in an era and a population of modern day convenience and disconnect.

To: Committee on Water & Land
From: Tony Costa, Hawaii Nearshore Fishermen
Re: HCR22 / HR4 in SUPPORT

I believe that this “disconnect” of modern day society/population from our environment may be responsible for many of the resource concerns and subsequent fishing and hunting prohibitive initiatives we are faced with today, and also for the misunderstandings about the fishermen’s and hunters role in the environment.

The fishing and hunting community is a vital component of our ocean and land based environment and we thank the legislature for recognizing our role and local food production through this Resolution.

Hawaii Nearshore Fishermen strongly support and urge passage of HCR22 & HR4.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Costa

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John Kaneko	Hawaii Seafood Council	Support	No

Comments: Local food production through fishing and hunting is vital to our sustainable future. With proper science-based management, both wild food systems are a sustainable, renewable natural food source contributing to the overall food self-sufficiency in Hawaii, while maintaining island culture, traditions and quality of life. The Hawaii Seafood Council supports this effort to gain greater recognition of the importance of local food production including farming, fishing and hunting.

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Michael Tokunaga	S. Tokunaga store Inc.	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, I feel that we need laws to protect our gathering and sustainability rights in Hawaii State. Everyone talks about self sustainability may it be in farming and in energy. Many Hawaii residents depend on putting food on the table for their families by fishing, diving, and hunting. Please don't take this right away from us. Many residents can't afford, so in turn hunt, fish, and dive. Please support HCR22 / HR4. Its so very important to our Hawaii residents. Mahalo, Michael Tokunaga

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Puanani Rogers	Ho`okipa Network - Kauai	Support	No

Comments: I, Puanani Rogers, strongly supports this measure. I support all efforts that preserve our native and cultural rights to hunt, fish and gather resources within our na ahupua`a as well as throughout Ko Hawaii Pae `aina. Mahalo a nui

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Stanley Mendes	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Strongly support

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nani pogline	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support the continued recognition of our wild game resources. They are for many, of historical and cultural value, as well as a source of food security. It only makes sense to keep all eggs in the basket.

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SUPPORTING HCR 22

Measure Title: SUPPORTING GAME MAMMAL, GAME BIRD, AND FISHING RESOURCES IN ORDER TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABILITY AND FOOD SECURITY AND TO PRESERVE LONG STANDING LOCAL AND CULTURAL PRACTICES.

To Whom it may Concern:

Hunting like many other outdoor activity are important to connect our residents with the natural environment and is a necessary component of the of the health and well being of our residents. The ability to enjoy and share in a subsistence lifestyle is critical to the sustainability of our islands.

Hawaii's game animals were introduced to Hawaii and have become a fixture in our culture as a sustainable food resource. Properly managed, they contribute to our Islands self-sufficiency, stimulates our economy and provides a wholesome recreational opportunity for the people of Hawaii.

The removal of game as a natural resource from our State constitution in the 1978 constitutional convention was in error as noted in Article X section 1 CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF RESOURCES see Revision note. If the amendment alters the sense, meaning or effect of any provision of the Constitution, it was not ratified and is not effective to change the language of the Constitution. The Supreme Court of Hawaii in Kahalekai v. Doi, 60 Haw. 324, 590 P.2d 543, 1979 Haw. LEXIS 93 (1979), excerpted in the note preceding the Preamble to the Constitution.

I fully support the importance that our wild food resources have to the people of Hawaii and hope that you will consider the tens of thousands of island residents that share my concern for our wildlife by passing House Resolution HCR22/HR4.

Mahalo for your consideration on this resolution!

Testifier's name:

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James Montenero	Individual	Support	No

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Jourdan Krantz	Individual	Support	No

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Courtney Krantz	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Support the recognition of game animals, birds and fishing resources and a resource in the State Constitution.

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Jon Katada	Individual	Support	No

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Jeff Krantz	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Promote sustainability and food security as well as honoring long standing local and cultural practices.

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Kathy Takahashi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Support game mammal, game bird and fishing resources in order to promote sustainability and food security.

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james kuniyoshi	Individual	Support	No

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Dennis Yamaguchi	Individual	Support	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Shyla Moon	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Sustainability is becoming part of a daily conversation. Since the 1978 State Constitutional Convention the term "game" hasn't been placed back into our constitution. It is so important to protect the resources we have in Hawaii, since we rely heavily on barged in foods. Please consider this bill in its original form to be introduced back into the State Constitution. There is a need to put this language back into it: "Section 1. The legislature shall promote the 26 conservation, development and utilization of agricultural 27 resources, and fish, mineral, forest, water, land, game and 28 other natural resources." Mahalo for your time, Shyla Moon

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Tom Lodge, Chair	Individual	Support	No

Comments: It is time to recognize our Game Animals as a PROTECTED RESOURCE IN NEED OF RESPONSIBLE MANAGEMENT in order to maintain their sustainability for future generations.

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David Okamoto	Individual	Support	No

Comments: please let the local people life style of hunting and fishing for our food and survival keep on going on its the way we live and feed our family and friends.

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David Itano	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Access to our natural resources is essential to maintenance of local culture, food security and generational knowledge. I support this initiative as the intent is to do all of this within a sustainable, managed framework.

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Philip Fernandez	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am a resident of the Big Island and I strongly SUPPORT this resolution. Fishing and Hunting provides substantial food resources for people on the neighbor islands. I urge you to vote in SUPPORT. Thank you.

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Nick Morris	Individual	Support	No

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Brian F. Funai	Individual	Support	No

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Roy N Morioka	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Cullen and Members of the House Committee on WLA: I strongly support HCR22/HR4 as it focuses and highlights the importance our natural resources critical to our food security, sustainability and survivability of our most isolated community in the world. Thank you for this opportunity to testify. Respectfully, Roy Morioka

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Barbara Barry	Individual	Support	No

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William K.Chang	Individual	Support	No

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Guy Tamashiro	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I'm Guy Tamashiro, Vice President of Tamashiro Market. I'm testifying in support of HCR 22 and HR 4. These resolutions are supporting game mammal, game bird, and fishing resources in order to promote sustainability and food security and to preserve long standing local and cultural practices. Planning and preparing for food security in natural disasters or other emergency situations are best done before it is needed. Support industries that are vital for Hawaii's food supply in devastating situations: fishing, hunting, and farming!

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Carl M Jellings Sr	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Strong Support Thank You For Hearing HCR22 Carl P Jellings Sr

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Edwin Watamura	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Long overdue. Thank you for finally recognizing the importance of fishing in food sustainability. The percentage of fish that we import from foreign countries is appalling and dangerous to our health and the health of the resource. Fish farm raised Tilapia, Basa, and Salmon to name just a few have proven to be hazardous to our health and the imported carbon monoxide infused tuna that is commonplace in our supermarkets and seafood stores dangerously masks the lack of freshness. Some of the imported fish is caught by IUU (Illegal, Unreported, Unregulated)fishing, which is a threat to worldwide fisheries unsustainability. Please pass this bill

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Frank Farm Jr	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Strong support

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Testimony to the House Committee on Water & Land
Monday, March 21, 2016

Testimony in support of HCR 22: Supporting Game Mammal, Game Bird, and Fishing Resources in Order to Promote Sustainability and Food Security and to Preserve Long Standing Local & Cultural Practices.

To: The Honorable Ryan Yamane, Chair
The Honorable Ty Cullen, 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.

We are in support of HCR 22. Throughout his career as a fisherman, my father fought extensively to preserve recreational fishing rights for Hawaii's future. This resolution is an important first step in ensuring that fishing remains an important cultural practice to be passed on to future generations.

Food security and sustainability have long been a concern to our island state. Although we are surrounded by the ocean, many don't view the fishing industry as crucial to our survival. Seafood is a huge part of many of the different cultures that make up Hawaii, and locally caught, fresh seafood is something that is often taken for granted. This resolution would recognize the hard working men and women of the fishing and seafood industry, as well as the importance of seafood to Hawaii's future.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Troy A. Ogasawara	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support this bill. We in Hawaii are especially vulnerable to food security issues. Moreover, being an extremely isolated community, access to our natural resources is paramount.

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House Committee on Water & Land

Hearing: March 21, 2016 – 10:00 am – Room 325

RE: **HCR 22 / HR 4** -- SUPPORTING GAME MAMMAL, GAME BIRD, AND FISHING RESOURCES IN ORDER TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABILITY AND FOOD SECURITY AND TO PRESERVE LONG STANDING LOCAL AND CULTURAL PRACTICES

Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Cullen, and Members of the Committee, HCR 22 and HR 4 addresses an important issue for all of us in Hawaii.

I **SUPPORT** HCR 22 and HR 4 that will work towards the integration of “the local fish and game industry into our food security profile”.

As an island state, we are subject to numerous tropical storms and other potentially disastrous natural conditions. It is estimated that in a worst case scenario, we have only five days to two weeks of food for our citizens.

We will need to rely on our local resources.

We must work with the stewards of the various natural resources to ensure viable and sustainable strategies to ensure food security and include economic, nutritional, and cultural resources when updating the rules and policies.

Mahalo for allowing me to share my views.

Brooks Takenaka

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Joni Kamiya	Individual	Support	No

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Matthew Ross	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please pass this resolution. Fishing and hunting are critically important for many people in Hawaii and should be supported.

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Joel Nakamoto	Individual	Support	No

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