
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATEWIDE MANGO TREE-PLANTING
MOVEMENT CALLED "MANGO MANIA".

1 WHEREAS, tropical fruit trees such as mangoes thrive in the
2 climate of Hawaii; and

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4 WHEREAS, over 60 different varieties of mango grow on the
5 islands, trees begin to bear fruit in May, with peak season
6 being in July, and some varieties bear fruit until October; and

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8 WHEREAS, Hawaii grown mangoes are a part of our tropical
9 agricultural cornucopia and sold locally as well as exported
10 internationally; and

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12 WHEREAS, fruit trees contribute to Hawaii's lush tropical
13 beauty that should be promoted, preserved, and perpetuated, and
14 the reputation of Hawaii as a tropical paradise is vital to the
15 State's tourism industry and in turn the State's economy; and

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17 WHEREAS, tree roots stabilize the soil, prevent soil
18 erosion, support the capture and conservation of our water
19 supply, help remediate pollutants, and supply oxygen by
20 absorbing carbon dioxide; and

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22 WHEREAS, trees lower air temperatures by evaporating water
23 from their leaves, and contribute to watersheds; and

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25 WHEREAS, planting trees is a means to scale up action on
26 biodiversity and sustainable development goals to create a
27 stronger culture of conservation by addressing the challenge of
28 sustaining a food supply and conserving nature; and

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30 WHEREAS, "Mango Mania" will aid in the Sustainable Hawaii
31 Initiative's goal of doubling local food production by 2020;
32 now, therefore,

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34 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
35 Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session



1 of 2017, that the state Department of Land and Natural Resources
 2 and the Department of Agriculture, in conjunction with community
 3 organizations and each of the State's counties, are urged to
 4 establish a statewide "Mango Mania" tree-planting tree movement;
 5 and
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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 8 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the Chairperson of
 9 the Board of Land and Natural Resources, the Chairperson of the
 10 Board of Agriculture, the Mayors of each of the State's
 11 counties, the Chairpersons of each of the county councils, and
 12 all forms of radio, television, and newspaper media that serve
 13 the State of Hawaii.
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