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# 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 Agriculture, in  
2 conjunction with the Department of Land and Natural Resources,  
3 community organizations and each of the State's counties, are  
4 urged to establish a statewide "Mango Mania" tree-planting tree  
5 movement; 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 Agriculture, the Chairperson of the Board of Land  
10 and Natural Resources, 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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