
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING MAUI COUNTY TO IMMEDIATELY BAN PREDATORY COSMETICS STORES
FROM DOING BUSINESS IN LAHAINA.

1 WHEREAS, numerous predatory cosmetics stores have opened on
2 Front St. in Lahaina, creating an aggressive, intimidating
3 atmosphere for visitors; and
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5 WHEREAS, there have been numerous complaints by residents
6 and visitors claiming that they have been accosted by the
7 personnel of these predatory cosmetics stores with the use of
8 their aggressive sales techniques; and
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10 WHEREAS, these predatory cosmetics stores also engage in
11 unscrupulous behavior in the production of their products and in
12 the aggressive application of their products to unsuspecting
13 visitors; and
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15 WHEREAS, the County of Maui entered into a settlement
16 agreement with these cosmetics stores, but the terms of that
17 agreement are being violated by the vendors in the course of
18 business; and
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20 WHEREAS, the community has demanded enforcement of
21 violations of the agreement, which have repeatedly occurred; and
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23 WHEREAS, the people of Lahaina have repeatedly demanded
24 action by the government to address these predatory cosmetics
25 stores; and
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27 WHEREAS, previous attempts by the Legislature to address
28 this issue have proven futile because the Legislature may only
29 address issues of a general nature, rather than specifically
30 targeting a certain area; and



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1 WHEREAS, under the Hawaii State Constitution, the counties
 2 are given authority to regulate business uses in a particular
 3 area via their zoning powers; and

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 5 WHEREAS, the counties, through zoning ordinances and the
 6 zoning process, have prohibited certain types of businesses from
 7 operating in certain areas because of the businesses' general
 8 negative effect on the health, safety, and welfare of the
 9 citizens of the communities, such as places of adult
 10 entertainment activity; and

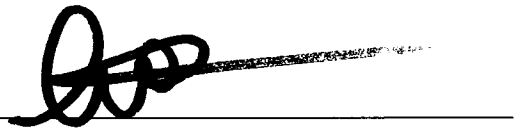
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 12 WHEREAS, by prohibiting predatory cosmetics stores through
 13 the zoning process, landlords would be incentivized to
 14 diligently address the actions of their cosmetics store tenants;
 15 now, therefore,

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 17 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 18 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
 19 2019, that Maui County is urged to immediately ban predatory
 20 cosmetics stores in Lahaina; and

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 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 23 Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of Maui County, Chair of
 24 the Maui County Council, West Maui representative of the Maui
 25 County Council, Director of the Planning Department of Maui
 26 County, President of the Lahaina Town Action Committee, and
 27 President of the West Maui Taxpayers Association.

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