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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING STATE DEPARTMENTS TO PROCURE LOCALLY-GROWN PRODUCE.

1           WHEREAS, Hawaii's mild climate supports a wide variety of  
2 agriculture, including avocados, bananas, guava, papayas,  
3 tomatoes, corn, lettuce, potatoes, taro, and other produce; and  
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5           WHEREAS, the State hosts approximately three thousand six  
6 hundred crop farms; and  
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8           WHEREAS, reliance on imported food leaves the State  
9 vulnerable to natural disasters and other catastrophic events;  
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12           WHEREAS, buying local produce lessens the State's carbon  
13 footprint by reducing the need to transport food long distances;  
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16           WHEREAS, buying local produce benefits the State's economy  
17 and supports small businesses, including family- and veteran-  
18 owned farms; and  
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20           WHEREAS, doing business with local farmers creates more  
21 transparency and accountability in the State's food system; now  
22 therefore,  
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24           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature  
25 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, the House of  
26 Representatives concurring, that all state departments, when  
27 procuring produce, are urged to buy Hawaii products when  
28 available; and  
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30           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
31 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor;  
32 Comptroller; Chair of the Board of Agriculture; Attorney  
33 General; Director of Finance; Director of Business, Economic  
34 Development, and Tourism; Director of Commerce and Consumer



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1 Affairs; Adjutant General; Chair of the Board of Education;  
 2 Chair of the Hawaiian Homes Commission; Director of Health;  
 3 Director of Human Services; Director of Labor and Industrial  
 4 Relations; Chair of the Board of Land and Natural Resources;  
 5 Director of Public Safety; Director of Taxation; and Director of  
 6 Transportation.

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