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TESTIMONY OF SHARON HURD
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BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE & FOOD SYSTEMS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2024
10:15 AM
CONFERENCE ROOM 325

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 162 AND HOUSE RESOLUTION 141
URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO ESTABLISH A TWO-YEAR
AGRICULTURAL CRIME PILOT PROJECT TO ESTABLISH AND ASSESS THE
EFFECTIVENESS OF PROSECUTING AGRICULTURAL CRIME CASES, INCLUDING
THOSE OF AGRICULTURAL THEFT AND AGRICULTURAL VANDALISM, IN THE CITY
AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU AND COUNTY OF KAUAI.**

Chair Gates, Vice Chair Kahaloa and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Concurrent Resolution 162 and House Resolution 141 that establishes a two-year agricultural crime pilot project to establish and assess the effectiveness of prosecuting agricultural crime cases, including those of agricultural theft and agricultural vandalism, in the City & County of Honolulu and County of Kauai.

The Department supports this resolution, stands ready to coordinate with the Department of Law Enforcement, City and County of Honolulu and the County of Kauai and appreciates consideration for the hiring of one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) enforcement officer for each count, to be placed within the respective prosecuting attorney's office or any other law enforcement agency.

Thank you for the opportunity to testimony on this matter.



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Testimony for AGR on 3/20/2024 10:15:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Glen Kagamida	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

STRONG SUPPORT!!!

FINDINGS CAN BE DUPLICATED ON THE OTHER ISLANDS.

MAHALO!