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Comments:

Hawai'i Reef and Ocean Coalition and Climate Protectors Hawai'i **STRONGLY SUPPORT** this concurrent resolution!

The use of disposable materials, especially oil-based plastics, in surgery and the health care sector is a huge source of avoidable waste. This resolution will help move Hawaii toward a more circular system that will reduce waste handling costs and health and environmental damage from oil use, plastic and microplastics. The examples set by California and Japan show the way.

Please pass this resolution!

Mahalo!

Hawaii Reef and Ocean Coalition and Climate Protectors Hawaii (by Ted Bohlen)