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TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

SENATE BILL 80

**Relating to Agribusiness Development Corporation
February 2, 2009**

Chairman Hee and Members of the Committee:

My name is Stephanie Whalen. I am Executive Director of the Hawaii Agriculture Research Center (HARC). I am testifying today on behalf of the center and our research and support staff.

HARC strongly supports Senate Bill 80.

We strongly urge you to support **Senate Bill 80 Relating to the Agribusiness Development Corporation** clarifying that any bonds issued by this organization to purchase lands for agricultural use would not be subject to tax by the state or county.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of agriculture..

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