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Before the House Committee on
OCEAN, MARINE RESOURCES, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Wednesday, March 27, 2013
9:30 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 325

In consideration of
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 132/HOUSE RESOLUTION 102
RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 6 THROUGH 13, 2013,
AS "HAWAII FISHING AND SEAFOOD WEEK"

House Concurrent Resolution 132/House Resolution 102 recognizes the week of October 6 – 13, 2013 as Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Week. **The Department of Land and Natural Resources supports these resolutions and acknowledges the importance of public awareness of the fishing and seafood industries in Hawaii.**

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Rep. Faye P. Hanohano, Chair
Rep. Ty J.K. Cullen, Vice Chair

DATE: Wednesday, March 27, 2013
TIME: ~~9:30 a.m.~~ **11:00 a.m.**
PLACE: Conference Room 325

HCR 132 / HR 102 RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 6 OMH, FIN
THROUGH 13, 2013, AS "HAWAII FISHING AND
SEAFOOD WEEK".

Testimony in SUPPORT

Dear Chair Hanohano, Vice chair Cullen, & committee members, thank you so much for considering this important affirmation regarding our fishing and seafood tradition in Hawaii.

Echoing & agreeing to all the "whereas" clauses cited in HCR 132 and HR102, Hawaii Nearshore Fishermen strongly and passionately support this measure that affirms one of our islands finest examples of sustainable, local, and healthy food production and subsistence – as well as the unique connection that islanders have to the natural environment – in this case our marine resource ocean waters – by recognizing the week of October 6 through 13, 2013 as "Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Week".

Thank you again.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Costa
Hawaii Nearshore Fishermen



PACIFIC
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March 25, 2013

COMMITTEE ON OCEAN, MARINE RESOURCES, & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Representative Faye P. Hanohano, Chair

Representative Ty J.K. Cullen, Vice Chair

Committee members

Re: Support of HCR132 AND HR102, recognizing the week of October 6 through 13 as "Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Week"

Dear Chair Hanohano, Vice Chair Cullen and Committee Members:

The Pacific Islands Fisheries Group humbly asks of the Committees support for HCR132 AND HR102.

Fishing and seafood are integral parts of our islands heritage. The Annual Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Festival is a free community event now in its 8th year running. The event eclipsed 20,000 attendance over the past 3 years ranged across a wide demographic from keiki to kupuna, fishermen to seafood lovers and many more including tourists that were interested in learning this special aspect of Hawaii's culture.

Last year, the scope of activities grew from a single-day event to a week-long event that encompassed various socio-economic demographics of our islands community from helping the underprivileged to a fundraising event supporting Hawaii's community college culinary programs.

The Sea-To-Me fundraiser involved culinary programs from Kauai, Hilo, Maui and Kapiolani Community Colleges where culinary students statewide were paired up with well-known chefs from the industry to create unique local seafood dishes for the attendees.

The fishermen contributions from the The Fishing For Hawaii's Hungry Fishing Tournament yielded over 700lbs. of fish valued at over \$4000 being donated to the Institute of Human Services.

Hundreds of keiki participated in a Keiki Art Contest whos winners from various age groups were displayed at windward mall prior to the fishing festival.

Your support of HCR132 AND HR102 will bring special meaning to not only the tens of thousands who attend these events, but the hundreds of volunteers who have dedicated countless hours over the past 8 years to help make these events a reality for Hawaii's community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours Truly,

Neil Kanemoto

President, Pacific Islands Fisheries Group

Event Chair, 2013 Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Festival

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Marc Inouye	Pacific Islands Fisheries Group	Support	No

Comments:

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Guy Tamashiro	Tamashiro Market	Support	No

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Testimony in Support of HCR132/HR102

Heard Wed. March 27, 2013, @11:00, conf. room 325

Distinguished committee members,

I would ask that you support this measure and declare Oct. 6 thru 13 as “Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Week”. It recognizes our ties to the sea and our reliance on it as a important source of food for our ocean related culture and lifestyle. The fishing community is a responsible and sustainable part of our economy as well. Please support this measure.

Mahalo,

Brian Kimata

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*He waiwai nui ka lōkāhi.
"Unity is a precious possession."*

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, March 27, 2013
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
Conference Room 325
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

Honorable Chair Hanohano, Vice Chair Cullen and Members of the House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs:

Thank you for this opportunity to write in STRONG SUPPORT OF HCR132/HR102. As an islander with a deep affection and affinity to our surrounding ocean, it is of great importance that we celebrate our heritage, blended cultures and traditions by recognizing the importance of fishing in Hawaii and our seafood delicacies.

I appreciate and applaud the House of Representatives' recognition of these important elements of fishing and our unique seafood and preparations that identifies Hawaii's as a very special place that is recognized throughout the world. The designation of October 6-13, 2013 as Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Week is very special! Mahalo a nui loa!

Respectfully Submitted,

Roy N. Morioka, Fisherman
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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
William Chang	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support HCR132.

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Frank Farm	Individual	Support	No

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Philip Fernandez	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am a fisherman on the Big Island and I strongly support this resolution. Fishing and seafood is a major component of the culture of Hawaii and should be supported and promoted. Not only do residents of Hawaii eat and enjoy seafood, many tourists enjoy seafood at the hotels and restaurants that they go to. Thank you for supporting fishermen and seafood.

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Brian Funai	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support resolution HCR132

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Pam Funai	Individual	Support	No

Comments: PLEASE RECOGNIZE THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 6 THROUGH 13, 2013, AS "HAWAII FISHING AND SEAFOOD WEEK."

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Sundae Funai	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support this measure!

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John Griffiths	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support and please pass . Thank you

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Carl Pao Jellings Sr	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Kakahiaka Honorable House Committee on Ocean Marine Resources and Hawaiian Affairs I would Like to send My Strong Support for HCR132 making October 6 through 13, 2013 as "Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Week. Mahalo a Nui Loa Carl Pao Jellings Sr, Fishing Vessel Henry J II

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Renee Kester	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please pass this measure. Fishing and seafood are such a important roles in our lives here in Hawaii and this would be an excellent way to recognize and celebrate that.

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Stephen Lee	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I fully support HCR 132/HR 102 and urge your affirmative vote in favor of this bill.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mark Mitsuyasu	Individual	Support	No

Comments: The Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Festival is has grown to be one of Hawaii's premier community events that is free to the public supporting our island culture, traditions, values and ocean-dependent heritage. I strong support the Legislatures initiative to recognize October 6 to 13 as Hawaii's Fishing and Seafood Week.

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Dean Sensui	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: I greatly appreciate the introduction of this resolution and fully support it. With more than 25,000 people gathering at Pier 38 in a single day, the annual Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Festival makes a tremendous difference by highlighting a very important aspect of traditional local culture to droves of residents and visitors. The festival highlights the close ties we have to the ocean around us, being the source of the very food that feeds our communities as well as a venue for recreational pursuits. Thank you for seriously considering the official recognition of "Hawaii Fishing and Seafood Festival Week". Dean Sensui Executive Producer Hawaii Goes Fishing

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Geoff Walker	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Part of the discussion should include GASSED TUNA! A few crooks are making big bucks deceiving the public with this crap, It is outlawed in Canada, japan and Australia and it should be here too. It is a health hazard and has wreaked havoc with marketing locally caught handline fish!
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Kendall wong	Individual	Support	No

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