

## IEM Committee

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**From:** Mike Moran <mmmmahalo2000@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 15, 2017 8:00 PM  
**To:** IEM Committee  
**Subject:** Support for IEM-45 fpr Monday 10/16/17 from KCA

Aloha Chair Cochran and Committee members,

The Kihei Community Association is in support of this measure, IEM-4. We were disappointed after supporting and testifying at the State Legislature in this year's session on this issue, to have our own Maui representative fail to schedule a hearing on either of two bills in his committee which in effect killed them, but are encouraged to have our west Maui County legislator pick up the ball and go forward.

We do understand the point that an individual who sought sun protection using a sunscreen may not be entering the ocean, and thus that use would not harm the coral reef structure, even if it contained these harmful chemicals. But we believe it is more important to rid these unnecessary products from our retail markets as the best act of prevention.

We are also aware that completely ridding the kai of these harmful chemicals will not restore our coral, as there are multiple factors causing harm from contaminated run off to ocean users walking on the coral and more. But taking this step as part of a coordinated effort is a step in a reasonable logical progression. Let's get this done. We recommend passage this afternoon.

Mahalo,

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