

EACP Committee

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To: EACP Committee
Subject: KCA testimony to EACP for 2/4/20 on item EACP-16

Aloha Chair Sinenci and EACP members,

Mike Moran testifying for the Kihei Community Association (KCA) is support of EACP-16

Mahalo Chair for bringing this up for our community and our creatures. Back when Elle proposed this action as her swan song in 2018, we were there to testify in support on this matter. Last year we watched as it moved forward in this committee, very reminiscent of the plastic bag reduction bill and the poly Styrofoam bill hearings, full of industrial "sky will fall", as business close and skyrocketing prices hysteria. Then bills passed and the *aina* and *kai* conditions improved and people adjusted..

Here we are in 2020 and we see countless examples of creatures great and small ingesting more & more plastics of numerous sizes and shapes ultimately leading to death.

Please continue with one more vital positive step and rid Maui of this unneeded blight of plastic. The first and most important of the 3 R's is reduce. It is almost impossible to reuse this junk and impossible to recycle it, so lets get rid of it. The community does not need and does not want it destroying our environment. We do not need the petroleum to produce it.

The time for this action was when it was proposed in 2018. Now it is overdue
Please support this action.

Mahalo,

Mike Moran