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Aloha please find attached my written testimony in opposition to the proposed bill *6.04.041 Feeding of Feral animals ban.*

Mahalo,

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Maui County Council  
Wailuku, HI

Re: **Proposed Bill 6.04.041 Feeding of Feral Animals Prohibited**

Aloha Maui County Council:

I am writing to you today TO VOICE MY OPPOSITION to the proposed bill **6.04.041 Feeding of Feral Animals Prohibited**. As a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of the State of Hawaii, County of Maui, I ask that you count my testimony given here in your consideration of this bill.

The welfare of all species is one of my core concerns, and I feel that the humane treatment of animals is the responsibility of the human race. By passing a ruling that insists that “NO person may feed or deliberately introduce any food material, substance or attractant directly to, or in the vicinity of, any feral animal” you will place the citizens of Maui Council in an untenable position of making us all a party to terrible cruelty.

I support efforts to lower the numbers of feral cats on Maui by using the humane strategy of Trap Neuter Release (TNR). Using spay/neuter is a solution that works. I implore you to commit to this science-backed, cost-effective way to control and eventually reduce their numbers.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion and preference for opposition to the proposed bill 6.04.041 Feeding of Feral Animals Prohibited. I trust that my representatives will act in accordance with the voices of their constituency.

Mahalo,  
Rachael Magee