

## IEM Committee

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**From:** Michael Ruocco <michael@ruocco.com>  
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**To:** IEM Committee  
**Subject:** Sunscreen

Dear Council Members:

It saddens me that we live in so-called "paradise", and yet our marine life and coral reefs are almost non-existent. Isn't this what attracts tourists? And doesn't tourism help employ thousands of people on this island? Sunscreen is destroying our reefs, the reefs generate \$36 billion dollars around the world, and creates millions of dollars in the tourism industry. Healthy corals also protect our coastlines from tsunamis, hurricanes and floods.

We're not asking you to ban all sunscreen, but only those brands that contain harmful ingredients. Why is this too much to ask?

Please place a ban on harmful sunscreens,

Michael Ruocco  
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