

## HAWAII BANANA INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

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## RESOLUTION PROTECTING AGRICULTURAL LANDS OF KAPOHO-HALEKAMAHINA

WHEREAS the Kapoho-Halekamahina area on the Big Island of Hawaii has at least six banana farms of at least 65 acres in production; and

WHEREAS the Hawaii Natural Energy Institute intends to drill an exploratory geothermal well known as SOH2 in the lower Kapoho-Halekamahina valley to facilitate future geothermal development in that area; and

WHEREAS geothermal development will emit large amounts of noise and hydrogen sulfide; and

WHEREAS geothermal development will disrupt working conditions, acidify the air, rain and ground, pollute the ground water reservoir, and be generally incompatible to present agricultural usage of the area's land; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HAWAII BANANA INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION REQUESTS THE HAWAII COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO DENY SOH2 AND NOT ALLOW GEOTHERMAL DEVELOPMENT IN EXISTING FARMING AREAS.

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