



## RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO ESTABLISH A ZERO WASTE TASK FORCE.

WHEREAS, the concept of zero waste involves waste reduction, “clean-production,” minimum loss of resources to landfills, and maximum recovery and use of materials for local economic development, which can result in jobs, financial opportunity and raw materials for new products, and support a broader-based goal of a sustainable city economy; and

WHEREAS, the council finds that while there may always be a need for a landfill to handle non-toxic, non-biodegradable residual waste, the city, with its fragile natural environment and resources and limited landfill-siting capability, must adopt a zero waste program; and

WHEREAS, it has been suggested that the successful formulation of zero waste policies and attainment of zero waste goals require:

- 1) Developing “extended producer responsibility” goals and policies which require that manufacturers develop take-back strategies for all products that currently end up in landfills or incinerators, and which are intended to force the emphasis “upstream” to stimulate new product designs and material selections which facilitate the reuse and recycling of products;
- 2) Improving the “downstream” reuse and recycling of end-of-product-life materials through improved waste management infrastructure, waste exchange programs, recycled material market development and other steps; and
- 3) Fostering and supporting waste-based businesses as economic development and jobs creation opportunities, especially in low income rural communities or urban neighborhoods;

and

WHEREAS, there is a compelling need for a task force to research, develop and recommend a zero waste program for the city, given the need to significantly reduce the amount of waste going to the city’s Waimanalo Gulch municipal solid waste landfill, and the undesirability of siting and high cost of developing a new landfill; and



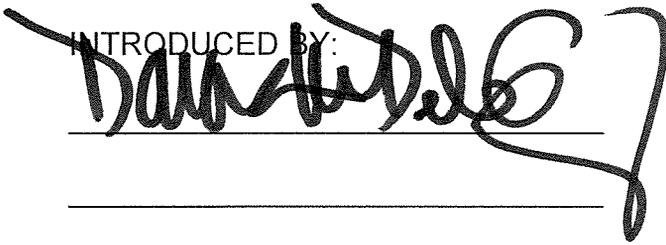
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WHEREAS, the council also finds that the formation of a zero waste program task force would provide valuable expertise and input necessary for the creation and implementation of a city zero waste program, which is effectively integrated with new and existing municipal solid waste city programs; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the city administration is requested to establish a task force to research, develop and recommend a zero waste program for the city; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the city administration expeditiously select task force members so that the task force may commence its deliberations and activities within 30 days of the adoption of this Resolution; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the director of the department of environmental services, the managing director and the mayor.

INTRODUCED BY:  


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**RESOLUTION 10-232**

Introduced: 08/12/10 By: DONOVAN DELA CRUZ

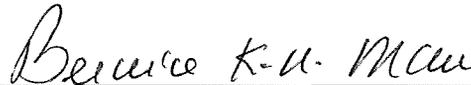
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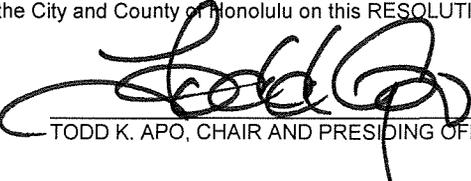
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Links: [RES10-232](#)  
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PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE	08/31/10	CR-276 – RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION.							
COUNCIL	09/22/10	CR-276 AND RESOLUTION 10-232 WERE ADOPTED.							
ANDERSON	Y	APO	Y	CACHOLA	Y	DELA CRUZ	Y	DONOHUE	Y
GARCIA	Y	KOBAYASHI	Y	OKINO	Y	TAM	Y		

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.

  
BERNICE K. N. MAU, CITY CLERK

  
TODD K. APO, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER