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Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair Senator Herbert M. "Tim" Richards, III, Vice Chair Comm. on Agriculture and Environment

Friday, February 9, 2024 1:06 PM via Videoconference

RE: SB2933 Green Amendment - Strong Support

Dear Chair Gabbard, Vice-Chairs Richards and Committee Members,

The Chamber of Sustainable Commerce represents over 100 small businesses across the State of Hawaii that strive for a triple bottom line: people, planet and prosperity; we know Hawaii can strengthen its economy without hurting workers, consumers, communities or the environment. This is why we support SB2933, which proposes a constitutional amendment to ensure that the inherent and inalienable right of the people, including future generations, to clean water and air, a healthful environment and climate, healthy native ecosystems, and beaches, shall be protected and shall not be infringed.

The Hawaii Constitution offers the greatest protections our State can offer; giving the People of Hawaii an opportunity to amend the Constitution to include explicit protections for our future generations right to clean water and air is urgently needed.

We are almost near the point of no return when it comes to global warming; but there is still time to hold up every questionable act of pollution, greed, gratification up against the clarity of this proposed amendment. Collectively we can affirm our priorities in the face of any compromise.

If not now, when; if not us, who?

Come on, Hawaii Legislators! Let's get this ConAm on the 2024 ballot!

