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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Melissa Barker	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Please support HR86.

Thank you,

Melissa Barker

Kapaa, HI

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Barbara Barry	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

As an organic farmer, I strongly support HCR 86. To support the health of coffee crops that are being weakened by rust, we need to do everything we can to support the soil microbes, nutrition and soil health of these threatened crops.

Chemical, fossil fuel based fertilizer sterilizes the soil and keeps the plants dependent on constant infusion of said chemical fertilizers. It's not sustainable and it increases the need for chemical pesticides which kill the pollinators and damages our ocean ecology.

Organic coffee beans command a higher price as well.

Don't Panic, Go Organic!

Mahalo for your support,