
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING DEVELOPERS OF A CEMETERY IN HAWAII KAI TO AVOID MERCURY
EMISSIONS FROM ANY PROPOSED CREMATORIUM.

1 WHEREAS, sixty-nine acres of Kamilo Nui Valley in Hawaii
2 Kai has been designated for a cemetery; and
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4 WHEREAS, the cemetery is planned by PRM, which is in a
5 joint venture to develop what will be known as Paradise Memorial
6 Park; and
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8 WHEREAS, many cemeteries also offer cremation as part of
9 their burial services, and these crematoria can emit high levels
10 of toxins, including mercury, a highly toxic metal that is used
11 for dental fillings which would be released into the air when a
12 body is cremated,
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14 WHEREAS, any exposure to mercury can be potentially
15 hazardous to the health and well-being of any living organism
16 and mercury exposure has been linked to birth defects, kidney
17 disease, and multiple sclerosis; now, therefore,
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19 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
20 Twenty-Fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
21 Session 2008, that any crematorium that PRM is planning for
22 Paradise Memorial Park be equipped with the appropriate filters
23 that can capture the toxins that are emitted during cremation or
24 that any plans to build a crematorium be abandoned; and
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26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
27 Resolution be transmitted to PRM and the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood
28 Board.
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