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The Honorable Senator Colleen Hanabusa
President, 24th State Legislature
415 South Beretania Street
Hawaii'i State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii'i 96813

Dear Madame President Hanabusa,

Pursuant to the passage of House Concurrent Resolution 193 of 2006, the temporary advisory commission on bioprospecting was requested to prepare a report of its recommendations to the Legislature and the Governor no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2007.

Though we regret the submission of the commissions report is past due. The members of the temporary advisory commission on bioprospecting have continued to discuss the issues at various community meetings to help develop public policy. Through their efforts, they hope to balance development and commercialization with scientific research and conservation of Hawaii'i fragile bio-resources in mind.

Furthermore, the commission on bioprospecting is committed to submit their report during the Regular Session of 2008.

Thank you for your time and consideration to the matter.

'O wau iho no'

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Administrator

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