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State Land Use Commission
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SUBJECT: DR17-60 Monsanto Company, A Delaware Corporation's Petition for Declaratory Order to Designate Important Agriculture Lands for Approximately 1,084.079 Acres at Naiwa, Manowainui, Kahanui, Moloka'i

Dear Chair Wong and Commissioners:

I am Cheryl Corbiell, Molokai resident and I support Monsanto's petition to designate lands on Molokai as Important Agriculture Lands (IAL). I believe Molokai and other islands will be well served by permanent designation of these lands for agricultural use.

In our view, the designation of the Monsanto lands on Molokai under the Important Agricultural Lands program is important and beneficial for the following reasons:

- It reflects and deepens the commitment Monsanto has made to being a good community partner, which has been demonstrated by working partnerships and community involvement.
- In voluntarily committing 1,084 acres to preservation as agricultural lands, Monsanto is solidifying their role in providing a base of agricultural resources for the future generations of Molokai, providing a basis for a more sustainable economy for Molokai.
- The protections offered by the IAL program afford assurance that these critical lands will remain in productive use and not transformed through any development scheme
- The jobs and local economic activity generated by Monsanto's agricultural activity on these lands provides a significant engine of well-being that is critical to sustaining a vibrant community that can afford to support cultural, environmental, and natural areas preservation and enhancement in an economically depressed area
- As the first designation of land on Molokai in the IAL program, Monsanto is leading by example in ways that landowners can make a permanent improvement in life on this rural island, Molokai.

We humbly ask that you register my firm support for DR17-60 Monsanto Company, A Delaware Corporation's Petition for Declaratory Order to Designate Important Agriculture Lands for Approximately 1,084.079 Acres at Naiwa, Manowainui, Kahanui, Moloka'i. It is a step in the right direction for Molokai.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cheryl Corbiell". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Cheryl Corbiell
Molokai Resident