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Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair, Senate Committee on Ways and Means  
Representative Sylvia Luke, Chair, House Committee on Finance  
Hawaii State Legislature  
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Aloha Chair Tokuda and Chair Luke,

I strongly support Trevor Tanaka's Sustainability Resolution. I was a youth delegate of the Sustainable Hawaii Youth Leadership Initiative (SHYLI) during June 2015. There, I met a lot of new people, one being Trevor Tanaka. Trevor was and still is a great inspiration to me. Once you meet him you will understand why. When you get him to start talking about his mission for this Sustainability Resolution you see the light in his eyes spark and feel his excited energy. Trevor has shown me what a great idea and lots of hard work can be.

After going away to college for my first semester I realize how important encouragement and passion is. If you have both you will undoubtedly succeed in college. But to get there Hawaii's youth needs to be given a seed to plant their passion.

SHLYI has helped me learn about sustainable practices and I want ALL Hawaii students to be given the same opportunities. Learning such important information has lead me to become a better human being and see the world in a different light. It was an honor to champion the Sustainable Resolution Toolkit prototype with Castle High School's Knights of the Roundtable Club. The implementation of the Toolkit will make it possible for ALL public school students in Hawaii to learn in the classroom and then teach it to their families. They will have a chance to grow that fiery passion and follow it in their future lives.

I fully support Trevor Tanaka's vision and the SHYLI application for the GIA grant to fund the implementation of the Sustainability Resolution Toolkit.

Sincerely,

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