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LC's Dancing Rules February 01, 2008 | 02:01 PM

How is it that in the year of 2008, there is a rule that prohibits dancing unless in a designated area! What exactly is the reasoning behind this! Why haven't the hawaiin people, who are associated with dancing as a huge part of their culture and heritage, lining up at the LC meetings and having their voices heard. Dancing is a part of all of our backgrounds from all ethnicities. A form of expression, a form of communication, and a form of entertainment. How is it that in a place that the mentioning of its name conjurs up visions of the hula dancing and its beautiful storytelling of its people, can be illegal unless your "in a designated area". I think somethings out of "whack" , here in this place so many call paradise. It's time for voices to be heard and this ridiculous "law" abolished once and for all. What if someone decides to start speaking of Hawaii not as a place of fun, where a person is free to exercise his or her right to freedom of expression, but the fact that if you are in a place that offers music entertainment and you start to sway or move or dance in an area that the LC has not designated as a "LEGAL" place to dance that you or the owner of that establishment could be legally cited by the liquor control department! I would sign my name to this letter, but I was in the hopes of someday being in the nightclub business here, and the threat of retribution from the LC scares the hell out of me. I urge everyone who is of the same thinking as I am to sign the new petition that is being made by the Maui Dance Advocates and attend the March 12 hearing and let your voice be heard. Let the LC know that they "work for the people", and are "paid by the people".

Mark from Kihei

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