



Proclamation

Presented to

Blue Planet Foundation

WHEREAS, Hawai'i is the most fossil fuel dependent state in the nation, making our state vulnerable to fluctuations in prices and availability; and

WHEREAS, the transportation sector in Hawai'i currently accounts for 62% of the state's total petroleum use and 54% of the state's carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS, planning for the state's facility systems with regard to energy shall be directed towards the reduction and ultimate elimination of Hawai'i's dependence on imported fuels used for electrical generation and ground transportation, as specified in the State Planning Act, Hawai'i Revised Statutes §226-18; and

WHEREAS, electrification of Hawai'i's transportation sector is critical to reducing the state's greenhouse gas footprint and our economic dependence on imported oil; and

WHEREAS, electric vehicles (EVs) are energy efficient and environmentally friendly which help contribute to Hawai'i's renewable energy goals; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i's limited driving range, moderate weather, and commitment to clean energy makes it the perfect candidate for EV development; and

WHEREAS, in November 2016, the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration designated seven alternative fuel routes on Maui and O'ahu ready to have signs posted to alert drivers of nearby recharging areas, helping to advance Hawai'i's EV infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i has the second highest number of charging ports per capita and 5,502 EVs in the state as of March 2017, making our state a leader in electric vehicle adoption; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with National Drive Electric Week, the Blue Planet Foundation is hosting the "Electric Island Drive" and EV Fair on O'ahu;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim September 17, 2017 as

"ELECTRIC VEHICLE DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to support all efforts to raise awareness of environmental, economic and health benefits of electric and hybrid vehicles and to reach 100% clean energy in Hawai'i by year 2045.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this first day of September 2017.



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i



SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i