



Proclamation

In Recognition of

6th Annual Kūpuna Power Day

WHEREAS, more than a third of Hawai'i's population is 50 years old or older, a fact which emphasizes the need to prepare our residents so that our kūpuna are able to continue a high quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Kūpuna Power Day is an annual event at the Hawai'i State Capitol that celebrates our kūpuna and empowers them with education, entertainment and exercise; and

WHEREAS, the 6th annual Kūpuna Power Day is open to seniors, caregivers, family members and advocates, featuring notable local entertainers and fun activities such as Tai Chi; and

WHEREAS, a recent study conducted by the American Association of Retired Persons Hawai'i found that nearly four out of five Hawai'i seniors say it would be very important to them to have a central place where they could get information about long-term care services as well as information on services and benefits available to them and their families; and

WHEREAS, Kūpuna Power Day organizers bring together a cross section of 40 vendors, nonprofit organizations, and state and city agencies that provide resources, insurance information, health care options and senior programs and services; and

WHEREAS, the Daniel Kahikina Akaka Award, named after Senator Daniel Akaka Sr., is presented on Kūpuna Power Day to honor a caring individual or organization that supports and empowers seniors to age in place with purpose and dignity; and

WHEREAS, quality of life is essential for everyone, young and old, and honoring, respecting and caring for our kupuna will enable future generations to carry on 'ohana values;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, DOUGLAS S. CHIN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 12, 2018 as

"KŪPUNA POWER DAY"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us in encouraging our seniors to stay healthy and active, recognize the efforts of Hawai'i State Senator Brickwood Galuteria and Nā Kūpuna Makamae Senior Center of Pacific Gateway Center for empowering our kupuna, and celebrate the generations of aloha today.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this sixth day of April 2018.



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i



DOUGLAS S. CHIN
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i