

## Proclamation In Recognition of

## **Education & Sharing Day, U.S.A.**

**WHEREAS,** excellence in education is vital to the success of our nation and our state and the betterment of society; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i aims to provide students with access to learning 21st century skills in a healthy and safe environment; and

WHEREAS, advocating for and providing quality education that is integral to their intellectual, academic and character development will prepare our students for the responsibilities and opportunities of the future; and

WHEREAS, a values-based education, culture-based education, social-emotional learning, and other foundational programs can promote life skills, reduce bullying, foster compassion, build confidence, help young people to develop relationship skills and strengthen core values; and

**WHEREAS**, the Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, believed firmly that the connection between character and education was critical in teaching young people to be responsible, honest and caring citizens; and

**WHEREAS,** a joint Congressional resolution in 1978 established Education Day USA on the anniversary of the birth of Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson to celebrate the Rebbe's legacy and his invaluable contributions to the cause of education; and

**WHEREAS,** Chabad of Hawaii, the Rebbe's representatives in the State of Hawai'i, are celebrating 30 years of service to the community and helping to create an environment where ethical responsibilities are emphasized in education:

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, DOUGLAS S. CHIN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim March 27, 2018 as

## "EDUCATION & SHARING DAY"

in Hawai'i, and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in celebrating Education & Sharing Day, encourage our community to carry forward meaningful education for students, support our keiki in reaching their full potential, and help to forge a better, brighter and more hopeful future for all.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twelfth day of March 2018.

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

DOUGLAS S. CHIN

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i