

## Proclamation In Recognition of National Day of Prayer

WHEREAS, the 67th observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 3, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's theme, "Pray for America: Unity," is based on Ephesians 4:3, "Making every effort to keep the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace"; and

**WHEREAS,** a National Day of Prayer has been part of our heritage since it was declared by the First Continental Congress in 1775, and the United States Congress in 1952 approved a Joint Resolution setting aside a day each year to pray in our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Congress, by Public Law 100-307, in 1988, directs the President of the United States to set aside and proclaim the first Thursday of May annually as a National Day of Prayer; and

WHEREAS, Americans across the country will gather to pray for wisdom and guidance in places of worship; and

**WHEREAS**, regardless of faith, this national observance unites our citizens to seek guidance for the benefit of every individual and our state as a whole; and

WHEREAS, we are thankful for those who defend our freedoms and ask for peace throughout our state, nation, and world;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, DOUGLAS S. CHIN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May 3,2018 as

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in Hawai'i, and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the value of prayer, diversity and unity within our state, and reaffirming our commitment to working toward fostering a more tolerant and inclusive community for all.

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

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

**DOUGLAS S. CHIN** 

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i