

Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** since the days of colonial America, observances have been issued for "a day of fasting and prayer," "a day of public thanksgiving and prayer," or "a day of solemn humility, fasting and prayer"; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1952, the United States Congress approved a joint resolution declaring the National Day of Prayer which was signed into law by President Harry S. Truman; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1988, Public Law 100-307 was signed into law by President Ronald Reagan, setting aside the first Thursday of May as the annual observance for a day of prayer; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme for the 68<sup>th</sup> observance of the National Day of Prayer is "Pray for America: Love One Another"; and

**WHEREAS,** on this day and of their own choosing, the people in America from all socio-economic, political, ethnic and religious backgrounds gather and pray, meditate or reflect in their own way for the unity of our nation, affirming the principles upon which our country was founded; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the diversity of our country and thank our citizens and our communities for doing their part to unite us as a nation and ask for peace throughout our state, nation and world;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor**, and **I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor** of the **State of Hawai'i**, do hereby proclaim May 2, 2019 as

## **"DAY OF PRAYER"**

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

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this eleventh day of March 2019.

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JOSHUA B. GREEN Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i

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