



Proclamation

WHEREAS, on September 17, 1787, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the United States Constitution was adopted by our founding fathers as the blueprint for our nation's government; and

WHEREAS, this revolutionary document established fundamental laws that have protected and guaranteed basic rights and liberties to its citizens; and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 1952, Congress designated September 17 as Constitution Day and Citizenship Day to commemorate the signing of the United States Constitution and recognize those who have become U.S. citizens; and

WHEREAS, in 1955, the Daughters of the American Revolution petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually for Constitution Week and Citizenship Day, which was later enacted on August 2, 1956; and

WHEREAS, this celebration embraces the courage, conviction and sacrifice of those who have helped shape and preserve the principles of democracy, inspires the study of the Constitution and civics education, and encourages the appreciation of the freedoms the Constitution gives us;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim September 17-23, 2019 as

"CONSTITUTION WEEK"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in commemorating the signing of the United States Constitution and reflect on the privilege of being an American with all the rights and responsibilities that it affords us.

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

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i