



Proclamation

WHEREAS, founded on December 1, 1941, the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) started as a group of volunteers led by civilian pilots who flew their own planes at their own expense to support America's efforts in World War II, primarily by flying reconnaissance missions near the country's coasts to protect cargo ships, especially vital oil tankers that were being sunk at an alarming rate; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 1946, President Harry Truman established CAP as a federally chartered nonprofit corporation, and on May 26, 1948, Congress designated CAP as the Air Force Auxiliary with three primary missions—emergency services, cadet programs and aerospace education; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Air Patrol carries out emergency service and disaster relief missions in the air and on the ground and has established itself among the nation's search and rescue elite; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Air Patrol youth program with more than 28,000 cadets offers leadership training, emergency services training, opportunities for flight and pilot training, and programs in STEM, rocketry, aeronautical, and aviation that focus on aerospace education; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Wing of the Civil Air Patrol consists of over 700 cadets and adult members in 11 squadrons across the state, providing emergency services, search and rescue, disaster relief, humanitarian aid, support to the U.S. Air Force through light transport, communications support, and tsunami, hurricane and tropical cyclone warnings; and

WHEREAS, in December 2019, the Civil Air Patrol celebrates 78 years of performing missions for America, with today's adults and cadets performing their duties with the same vigilance as CAP's founding members;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim December 1, 2019 as

"CIVIL AIR PATROL DAY"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to recognize the significant contributions and sacrifices our Civil Air Patrol members have made dating back to World War II to this current day.

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

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i