



Proclamation

WHEREAS, International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women; and

WHEREAS, the day also marks a call to action for accelerating women's equality; and

WHEREAS, International Women's Day has occurred for over a century with the first International Women's Day gathering in 1911, supported by over a million people; and

WHEREAS, this year's International Women's Day aligns with the centennial of the 19th Amendment and celebrates the many women who have fought for a woman's right to vote in the United States; and

WHEREAS, according to the Women's Fund of Hawai'i, there are 679,058 women and girls in Hawai'i, nearly 50% of the total population of the state; and

WHEREAS, our state pledges to develop character and confidence in our youth and women, while inspiring young women to develop their voice by embracing adversity, welcoming opportunities for education, and encouraging them to be their best selves; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i recognizes and thanks all community partners for their continued commitment to empowering, strengthening, and supporting women in our state;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the **State of Hawai'i**, do hereby proclaim March 8, 2020 as

“INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY”

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing the importance of supporting women's rights.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twentieth day of February 2020.



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i