

## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the Korean War began on June 25, 1950 and officially ended on July 27, 1953 with the signing of the Korean Armistice Agreement which drew the Military Demarcation Line and created the Demilitarized Zone that separated North and South Korea; and

**WHEREAS**, with the United States-Republic of Korea alliance formed in the aftermath of the war, the two countries stand together as strong allies and economic partners for peace, security and prosperity on the Korean Peninsula and beyond; and

**WHEREAS**, this year marks the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the start of the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, nearly 6 million Americans served in the Korean War; and

**WHEREAS,** about 25,000 from Hawai'i served in the war with over 400 killed in action and over 900 wounded; and

**WHEREAS,** in Hawai'i, more than 8,000 names of Americans missing in action from the Korean War are inscribed on the Honolulu Memorial at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific; and

**WHEREAS,** the Korean War Memorial on the Hawai'i State Capitol grounds bears the names of the 456 Hawai'i men who died in the war;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 25, 2020 as

## "KOREAN WAR REMEMBRANCE DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in this observance of the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the start of the Korean War and honor the Korean War veterans and their families for their brave and selfless sacrifice.

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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