



Proclamation

WHEREAS, a quality and wholesome education is vital to the success of our state, nation, and society at large; and

WHEREAS, a leading global advocate for the advancement of education—the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson—stressed the importance of moral and ethical education as the foundation of a healthy society; and

WHEREAS, in honor of the Rebbe’s invaluable contributions toward education, a joint congressional resolution in 1978 established “Education Day, USA” to raise awareness and strengthen the education of our children; and

WHEREAS, the connection between character and education is critical in teaching our keiki to be responsible, honest and caring citizens who will contribute toward building a brighter, more prosperous future full of unity, understanding and acceptance of diversity, kindness, respect, and compassion; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic disrupted the continuity and traditional models of education across our nation and around the world, yielding opportunities for educators to adopt new teaching and learning methods, skills and technologies and focus on character development, self-empowerment and well-being of self and community; and

WHEREAS, through education, we can nurture the unity of diverse peoples, encourage acts of kindness, and raise awareness that even a single positive act of an individual can make a major impact in this world;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim
March 24, 2021 as

“EDUCATION DAY”

in Hawai‘i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing the importance of a strong values-based, culture-based education, including social-emotional learning and other programs that promote life skills, foster compassion, build character and prepare our keiki for a better, brighter and more hopeful future for all.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, this nineteenth day of March 2021.



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i