

Proclamation

WHEREAS, hurricanes are among nature's most powerful and destructive phenomena; and

WHEREAS, the destructive winds, heavy rains, damaging surf, inland and coastal flooding, lightning, and tornadoes that may accompany these powerful storms can threaten lives and cause significant damage to homes, businesses, and public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, hurricane season runs from June 1-November 30; and

WHEREAS, during the 2020 hurricane season, fast-moving Hurricane Douglas threatened every county in Hawai'i, eventually passing just a few dozen miles north and sparing the state from major impacts; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i has even suffered impacts from multiple tropical cyclones in one year, such as from Hurricane Lane and Tropical Storm Olivia in 2018; and

WHEREAS, there are multiple watches and warnings in the Hawaiian Islands during hurricane season, but it only takes one storm to affect our lives and our community; and

WHEREAS, with proper preparation we can ensure the safety of ourselves and our loved ones;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the **State of Hawai'i,** do hereby proclaim May 9–15, 2021 as

"HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing the importance of safeguarding our homes and our 'ohana before hurricane season.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this seventh day of May 2021.

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Governor, State of Hawai'i