

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 71st 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 456 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 grounds of the Hawai'i State Capitol bears the names of the 456 men from Hawai'i who died in the war;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 25, 2021 as

"KOREAN WAR REMEMBRANCE DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in this observance of the 71st 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 tenth day of June 2021.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i