



Proclamation

WHEREAS, chronic disease affects millions of individuals throughout America; and

WHEREAS, chronic disease is defined as a condition that lasts one year or more and requires ongoing medical attention; and

WHEREAS, chronic diseases are the leading causes of disability and account for 7 out of 10 premature deaths in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of health care, including indirect costs such as lost education and job opportunities, reaches \$3.7 trillion annually; and

WHEREAS, some chronic diseases are “invisible,” and people affected by chronic diseases often face significant challenges, even with explaining their condition to friends and family; and

WHEREAS, chronic diseases can be disabling and reduce a person’s quality of life if left undiagnosed or untreated; and

WHEREAS, some of the deadliest and costliest chronic diseases are preventable and manageable through early diagnosis, improved diet, exercise and treatment therapy;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the **State of Hawai‘i**, do hereby proclaim July 10, 2021 as

“CHRONIC DISEASE DAY”

in Hawai‘i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in raising awareness of chronic disease, understand and support those affected by chronic conditions and promote healthy living.

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



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i