

# *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, the State of Hawai'i is committed to ensuring the safety of all those living in and visiting our state; and

**WHEREAS**, a sufficient blood supply is a public health issue both locally and nationally, and our hospitals and medical centers need a readily available supply for residents and visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the American Red Cross, 36,000 units of blood are needed in the United States every day; and

**WHEREAS**, blood is essential for surgeries, cancer treatment, chronic illnesses and traumatic injuries, and one in seven people entering a hospital will be in need of blood; and

**WHEREAS**, one blood donation can potentially save up to three lives; and

**WHEREAS**, Hawai'i is home to many organizations committed to raising awareness about the importance of blood donation, including the Blood Bank of Hawai'i, Dr. Daliah Show and more; and


**WHEREAS**, Hawai'i Blood Donation Day effectively serves to remind us that we need to constantly replenish our blood supply through donation and community awareness;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor** of the **State of Hawai'i**, do hereby proclaim September 4, 2021 as

## **“HAWAI'I BLOOD DONATION DAY”**

and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing blood donors for their life-saving gifts and supporting our local blood drives to save lives and protect our citizens.

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

  
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DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i