

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Archaeology Week is a world-wide program to increase public awareness of archaeology and promote the preservation of cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i Archaeology Week is focused on raising awareness and preserving the cultural heritage of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i Archaeology Week is sponsored by the Society for Hawaiian Archaeology and will be observed during the last week of September to coincide with their annual conference; and

WHEREAS, Archaeology Week is part of a statewide effort to encourage respect, appreciation, and better understanding of Hawai'i's diverse cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Society for Hawaiian Archaeology will be hosting an Archaeology Week Student Poster Contest, as well as various virtual and in-person events on topics centered around archaeology and Hawai'i's history; and

WHEREAS, Archaeology Week events will be on Hawai'i, Kaua'i, Maui, and O'ahu islands and will include tours of archaeological sites and speakers on Hawai'i's cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, Archaeology Week will culminate with a collection of virtual resources and dissemination of the winning poster design through social media; and

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the **State of Hawai'i,** do hereby proclaim September 26 – October 2, 2021 as

"HAWAI'I ARCHAEOLOGY WEEK"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing the importance of archaeology in preserving our cultural heritage.

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

Governor, State of Hawai'i