

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi was born in India on October 2, 1869; and

**WHEREAS,** Gandhi inspired human rights movements around the world with his philosophy of passive resistance, Satyagraha, to achieve political and social progress, seek truth in a spirit of peace and love, and remain firm and resilient in the face of adversity; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 15, 2007, the United Nations adopted resolution A/RES/61/271, establishing October 2 as International Day of Nonviolence; and

**WHEREAS,** on April 9, 2015, Senate Bill (SB332) was signed into law, designating October 2 of each year as "Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi Day" in the State of Hawai'i; and

**WHEREAS,** on September 11, 2001, Dr. Raj Kumar of O'ahu laid the foundation for the Gandhi International Institute for Peace (GIIP) in Hawai'i to provide information, consultation, education and training to resolve conflict in a nonviolent manner; and

**WHEREAS,** Gandhi International Institute for Peace has organized conferences and events to support and encourage nonviolence and to promote and celebrate International Day of Nonviolence;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor** of the **State of Hawai'i,** do hereby proclaim October 2, 2022 as

## **"MOHANDAS KARAMCHAND GANDHI DAY"**

in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join me in celebrating the legacy of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, practice tolerance and understanding, and recognize the strength of nonviolence with peaceful and positive actions.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-sixth day of September 2022.

DAVID Y. IGE Governor, State of Hawai'i