



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, pharmacists are the most accessible health care providers delivering critical services to patients and contributing to the health and well-being of all people; and

**WHEREAS**, pharmacists are best positioned to be the health care provider that ensures optimal medication therapy outcomes, and help to ensure patients are adherent to their medications; and

**WHEREAS**, pharmacists serve as providers during public health emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, as front-line providers throughout the healthcare system and community during the COVID-19 pandemic, pharmacists and pharmacy personnel have ensured the public is cared for, even at the risk of exposure; and

**WHEREAS**, with a community pharmacy located within five miles of nearly all Americans, pharmacists and pharmacy personnel are making an impact to control the spread of COVID-19 in U.S. communities and Hawai'i through testing, treatment, and vaccination efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, pharmacists are ideally suited to work collaboratively with other health care providers and helping patients overcome illness and live healthier lives through chronic disease management and the fully effective use of their medicines; and


**WHEREAS**, the Hawai'i Pharmacists Association and American Pharmacists Association have collaborated to observe October as American Pharmacists Month to celebrate the dedication of pharmacists in promoting good health and safe usage of medication;

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

## **“AMERICAN PHARMACISTS MONTH”**

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing the valuable services of pharmacists and pharmacy personnel and appreciating the important role they play every day in our health, our communities, and our lives.

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

  
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DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i