



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, known as Mahatma Gandhi, was born on October 2, 1869 in Porbandar, India; 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 October 2 each year, Gandhi is remembered with a national holiday in India and around the world with the International Day of Non-Violence, established in 2007 by the United Nations General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i became the first state in the nation to declare Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi Day as a special day of remembrance with Act 5, signed into law, on April 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Gandhi International Institute for Peace (GIIP) is celebrating its 14th annual "Mahatma Gandhi Day and International Day of Nonviolence" on Saturday, October 5, 2019 with interfaith dialogues, music, multicultural dances, activities for children and free food samples; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Center for Attitudinal Healing and GIIP are releasing a book, "Children as Teachers of Peace and Aloha," filled with quotes and drawings by Hawai'i's keiki, sharing their ideas of peace, aloha and advice, to commemorate Gandhi's 150th birthday;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 5, 2019 as

"MOHANDAS KARAMCHAND GANDHI DAY"

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in celebrating the 150th birthday and life of Mohandas K. Gandhi by embracing his teachings in practicing love, truth, kindness, harmony, non-violence and peace.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this sixteenth day of September 2019.

JOSHUA B. GREEN
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i