



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Gandhi International Institute for Peace was founded by Dr. Raj Kumar on September 11, 2001, to provide information and services to resolve conflict in a non-violent manner and promote peace in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Gandhi International Institute for Peace introduced SB 332 at the 2015 Hawaii State Legislature, through Senators Suzanne Chun-Oakland and Brian Taniguchi, to designate October 2 as Mahatma Karamchand Gandhi Day, and Governor David Ige signed the bill into law on April 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi was born in India on October 2, 1869, and is remembered today for his contributions toward India's freedom and for advancing a doctrine for nonviolence as a tool for peaceful resolution of differences; and

WHEREAS, Gandhi's non-violent response to oppression and injustice continues to inspire people who are striving for freedom and democracy in our world today; and

WHEREAS, the Gandhi International Institute for Peace presents Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday and International Day of Nonviolence on October 2, 2017, to commemorate the 148th birthday of Mahatma Gandhi and invite our community to reflect on the profound legacy of the great spiritual and political leader,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KIRK CALDWELL, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, do hereby proclaim October 2, 2017, to be

**MAHATMA GANDHI DAY
AND
INTERNATIONAL DAY OF NONVIOLENCE**

in honor of this champion of freedom, justice, and human rights, and to extend appreciation to Gandhi International Institute for Peace for its commitment to resolving conflict in a non-violent manner and promoting peace in our community.



Done this 2nd day of October, 2017,
in Honolulu, Hawaii.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirk Caldwell", is written over a horizontal line.

KIRK CALDWELL