

**MESSAGE FROM
U.S. SENATOR MAZIE K. HIRONO**

In honor of Mahatma Gandhi Day Celebration

October 2, 2021

Aloha and welcome to everyone viewing and participating in the Gandhi International Institute for Peace's virtual ceremony today.

On this day, the 152nd birthday of Mahatma Gandhi, we remember and commemorate his legacy of nonviolent resistance in the face of oppression. The legacy of his work carries on today, as people across the world continue to find inspiration in his teachings on civil rights, freedom, and peace.

Now more than ever we must draw from the lessons of Gandhi as we face incredible challenges in today's world. In the words of Gandhi, "The future depends on what you do today." I hope that we all take those words to heart as we continue to strive for change and justice. Together, we can build upon his work as we create a brighter and more inclusive future.

Mahalo to the Gandhi International Institute for Peace for their continual efforts to promote peace in Hawaii and to everyone who worked to make this event possible. My best wishes to you all for your continued success and for a memorable event.

Aloha,



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United States Senator