



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Mahatma Gandhi was born on October 2, 1869, and is regarded as one of the most important political and spiritual leaders of his time for pioneering the concept of resistance to tyranny through peaceful non-cooperation; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, the United Nations General Assembly established the International Day of Nonviolence, which is globally observed to promote nonviolence through education and public awareness and held on October 2nd in honor of Mahatma Gandhi's birthday; and

WHEREAS, Governor David Y. Ige signed Act 005 into law in 2015, making Hawai'i the first state to designate October 2nd as Mahatma Gandhi Day in honor of this champion of freedom, justice and human rights; and

WHEREAS, Honolulu's Gandhi International Institute for Peace, which was founded by Dr. Raj Kumar on September 11, 2001 to raise awareness of nonviolence, is presenting the International Day of Nonviolence and Gandhi Day Celebration on October 2, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the web workshop and world prayer event will feature keynote speakers Tushar A. Gandhi and Dr. Diane Cirincione-Jampolsky, and a variety of other engaging and inspiring speakers,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK BLANGIARDI, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, do hereby proclaim October 2, 2022, to be

**MAHATMA GANDHI DAY
and
INTERNATIONAL DAY OF NONVIOLENCE**

in the City and County of Honolulu, in honor of Mahatma Gandhi's birthday as well as his advocacy for human rights and social change, and to extend deep appreciation to the Gandhi International Institute for Peace for presenting this special tribute and celebration.



Done this 2nd day of October, 2022,
in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Blangiardi".

RICK BLANGIARDI