



Proclamation
In Recognition of
National Police Week

WHEREAS, National Police Week recognizes and honors the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty while protecting our communities and safeguarding our democracy; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 900,000 law enforcement officers serving in communities across the United States, including the dedicated members of the Hawai'i State Sheriff Division, who play an essential role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the State of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, nearly 60,000 assaults against law enforcement officers nationwide are reported each year, resulting in approximately 16,000 injuries; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, almost 20,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty, including members of the State Sheriff Division; and

WHEREAS, the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C., where many new names of fallen heroes are being added this spring, including 100 officers killed in 2013 and 186 officers killed in previous years; and

WHEREAS, for the past three years, Hawai'i Law Enforcement Memorial Foundation continues the work toward funding the construction of a monument in Hawai'i to honor law enforcement officers from city, county, state, military and federal agencies who have died in the line of duty while serving the people of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, there are currently more than 60 names that will be placed on the Hawai'i memorial when it is completed; and

WHEREAS, the Congress and President of the United States have also designated May 15th as Peace Officers' Memorial Day, which falls during National Police Week;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May 10 - 16, 2015 as

"LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' WEEK"

And May 15, 2015 as

"PEACE OFFICERS' MEMORIAL DAY"

in Hawai'i, and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join in commemorating law enforcement officers, past and present, who, by their faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have rendered an dedicated service to their communities, and to also honor those officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their community.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this eighth day of May 2015.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i