

Proclamation

In Recognition of

Don Ho Legacy Day

WHEREAS, Don Ho, Hawai'i's beloved musician and internationally renowned entertainer, was an icon of his era; and

WHEREAS, Don Ho was a local boy with humble roots who returned home after honorably serving our country as a United States Air Force pilot and First Lieutenant; and

WHEREAS, Don Ho became a self-taught musician, singer and entertainer whose career in show business spanned over four decades; and

WHEREAS, Don Ho and his band, the Aliis, first earned global acclaim when they performed at Duke Kahanamoku's supper club in the International Market Place from 1963 to 1970; and

WHEREAS, popular songs like "Tiny Bubbles," "Pearly Shells," and "I Will Remember You" created memories for many at home and millions abroad; and

WHEREAS, Don Ho was the embodiment of aloha, sharing his love of the Hawaiian Islands with audiences from around the world; and

WHEREAS, on the 87th anniversary of his birthday, the International Market Place is honored to celebrate Don Ho with the ceremonial unveiling of a bronze statue in the heart of Waikiki; and

WHEREAS, the legacy of Don Ho will carry on for generations to come;


THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim August 13, 2017 as

"DON HO LEGACY DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in commemorating the life of Don Ho and recognizing his contributions to our entertainment and tourism industries.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-eighth day of July 2017.


DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i


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