



Proclamation

In Recognition of

Older Americans Month

WHEREAS, older Americans hold valuable life experiences and insight, are a source of wisdom for younger generations, and have made many contributions to society; and

WHEREAS, many older Americans are becoming more active in their communities, working longer, and trying new activities; and

WHEREAS, the need to help older Americans strive for wellness, focus on independence, advocate for themselves and others is greater than ever before; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i includes countless kūpuna who enrich and strengthen our community; and

WHEREAS, our kūpuna remain active by sharing their stories in schools and libraries, helping the disabled or sick, and volunteering in churches and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i is dedicated to improving the quality of life for our kūpuna by promoting home and community-based services for the elderly and provide opportunities for them to work, volunteer, learn, lead and mentor; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i remains committed to supporting our kūpuna as they take charge of their health, explore new opportunities and activities, and focus on their independence; and

WHEREAS, the 2018 theme for Older Americans Month is "Engage at Every Age," emphasizing that old and young alike can take part in activities that can enrich our physical, mental and emotional well-being;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, DOUGLAS S. CHIN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May as

"OLDER AMERICANS MONTH"

in Hawai'i, and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the value that our kūpuna add to our lives and celebrate our kūpuna in our daily lives.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-sixth day of April 2018.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

DOUGLAS S. CHIN
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i