

Proclamation

WHEREAS, since January 2000, at least 175 people, including students, parents, and children, have died in college-related fires in the United States; and

WHEREAS, approximately 87 percent of these deaths have occurred in off-campus units; and

WHEREAS, multiple fatal college-related fires have occurred in buildings where fire alarms, smoke alarms, and automatic fire sprinklers were compromised or disabled by the occupants; and

WHEREAS, many college students live in off-campus units, Greek housing, and residence halls that are not adequately equipped with automatic fire sprinkler systems, fire alarm systems, and smoke alarms; and

WHEREAS, automatic fire alarm systems and smoke alarms provide the necessary early warning to occupants and the fire department of imminent danger so that immediate action can be taken; and

WHEREAS, automatic fire sprinkler systems help control or extinguish a fire in its early stages and also can protect the lives of the public and first responders; and

WHEREAS, fire safety education is an effective method of significantly reducing the occurrence of fires and the resulting loss of life and property damage; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that every generation in Hawai'i learns and practices fire safety to ensure their safety during their college years and beyond;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim September 2019 as

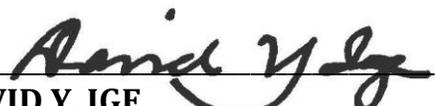
“CAMPUS FIRE SAFETY MONTH”

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in raising fire safety awareness on college campuses and encourage college students to take steps to protect themselves from the dangers of fire no matter where they live.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-sixth day of August 2019.



JOSHUA B. GREEN
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i