

# *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, the State of Hawai'i is committed to ensuring the safety of all those living in and visiting our state; and

**WHEREAS**, a sufficient blood supply is a public health issue both locally and nationally, and our hospitals and medical centers need a readily available supply for residents and visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the American Red Cross, 36,000 units of blood are needed in the United States every day; and

**WHEREAS**, blood is essential for surgeries, cancer treatment, chronic illnesses and traumatic injuries, and one in seven people entering a hospital will need blood; and

**WHEREAS**, one blood donation can potentially save up to three lives; and

**WHEREAS**, Hawai'i is home to many organizations committed to raising awareness about the importance of blood donation, including the Blood Bank of Hawai'i, Dr. Daliah Show and more; and


**WHEREAS**, Hawai'i Blood Donation Day effectively serves to remind us that we need to constantly replenish our blood supply through donation and community awareness;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor** of the **State of Hawai'i**, do hereby proclaim September 4, 2020 as

## **“HAWAI'I BLOOD DONATION DAY”**

and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing blood donors for their life-saving gifts and supporting our local blood drives to save lives and protect our citizens.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-fourth day of August 2020.

  
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DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i