Proclamation

WHEREAS, observances for “a day of fasting and prayer,” “a day of public thanksgiving and prayer,” or “a day of solemn humility, fasting and prayer” are part of our American heritage; and

WHEREAS, in 1952, the United States Congress approved a joint resolution setting aside a day of prayer for the nation; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, Public Law 100-307 was signed into law by President Ronald Reagan, setting aside the first Thursday of May as the annual observance for a day of prayer; and

WHEREAS, on this day and of their own choosing, the people in America from all socio-economic, political, ethnic and religious backgrounds gather and pray, meditate or reflect in their own way for the unity of our nation, affirming the principles upon which our country was founded; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the diversity of our country and thank our citizens and our communities for doing their part to unite us as a nation and ask for peace throughout our state, nation and world;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim May 7, 2020 as

“NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER”

in Hawai‘i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the value of diversity, faith and unity within our state and nation and reaffirm our commitment to working toward a more tolerant and inclusive community for all.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, this twenty-eighth day of April 2020.

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DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i