Proclamation

WHEREAS, National Law Enforcement Officers Week is a time to recognize the important work of law enforcement officers and honor those killed in the line of duty while protecting our communities and safeguarding our democracy; and

WHEREAS, since the first recorded death in 1791, over 21,000 law enforcement officers in the United States have made the ultimate sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, the names of these dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai‘i Law Enforcement Memorial is dedicated to the law enforcement officers from city, county, state, military and federal agencies who have died in the line of duty while serving the people of Hawai‘i, and currently holds the names of more than 60 law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, along with police officers, the members of the Hawai‘i State Sheriff Division and Narcotics Enforcement Division play essential roles in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of citizens in the State of Hawai‘i; and

WHEREAS, Peace Officers Memorial Day will be observed on May 15 to honor the courageous law enforcement officers who were disabled or killed in the line of duty;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim May 9–15, 2021 as

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in Hawai‘i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in honor of the men and women who have sworn to protect and serve our communities; appreciate the families of law enforcement officers for their support and sacrifice; and commemorate the officers, sheriffs and agents who gave up their lives in the line of duty.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, this third day of May 2021.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i