Proclamation

WHEREAS, the University of Hawai‘i Rainbow Warriors won the men’s volleyball NCAA championship at the Pauley Pavilion in Los Angeles, California on May 7, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Rainbow Warriors’ win marked their second consecutive NCAA championship in men’s volleyball, making history as the second ever back-to-back UH national champion team; and

WHEREAS, the Rainbow Warriors won the 2022 NCAA men’s volleyball championship finals with a 25-22, 25-21, 25-20 sweep over Long Beach State University, finishing the season at an impressive 27-5; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 UH men’s volleyball team players are Kāna‘i Akana #25, Austin Buchanan #12, Spyros Chakas #23, ‘Eleu Choy #5, Avery Enriques #15, Chaz Galloway #1, Cole Hogland #7, Filip Humler #16, Trevalyank Kelly #17, Mākua Marumoto #6, Reyn Miyazawa #22, Dimitrios Mouchlias #11, Kurt Nusterer #9, Cole Ottmar #18, Kyler Presho #8, Max Rosenfeld #13, Logan Sharp #3, Brett Sheward #4, Jakob Thelle #10, Keoni Thiim #20, Alaka‘i Todd #14, Guilherme Voss #21, and Jack Walmer #2; and

WHEREAS, Spyros Chakas was named 2022 NCAA Tournament Most Valuable Player and placed as an American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) second-team All-American; Dimitrios Mouchlias was recognized as AVCA National Player of the Week; Guilherme Voss placed as an AVCA second-team All-American; Kāna‘i Akana received the 2022 NCAA Men’s Volleyball Elite 90 Award; Jakob Thelle was named Big West Championship Tournament’s Most Outstanding Player, Big West Player of the Year, AVCA National Player of the Week, placed as an AVCA first-team All-American, and set a new single-season record for aces; and numerous other accolades have been won by the Rainbow Warriors Men’s Volleyball team; and

WHEREAS, the UH men’s volleyball team earned their victory through the hard work and dedication of their players, Head Coach and Big West Co-Coach of the Year Charlie Wade, Associate Coach Milan Zarkovic, Assistant Coach Joshua Walker, and Volunteer Coach Chad Giesseman; and

WHEREAS, UH alumni, ‘ohana and fans of the Rainbow Warriors from across the Hawaiian Islands have much to be proud of;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2022 as

“RAINBOW WARRIORS DAY”

in honor of the 2022 University of Hawai‘i men’s volleyball team and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in congratulating them on their consecutive victories and commending the players, coaches, athletic trainer and manager for their perseverance, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

Done at Washington Place, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, this seventeenth day of May 2022.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i