

**WHEREAS,** music is a universal language that transcends barriers, uniting people of all cultures, backgrounds, and beliefs through its power to inspire, heal, and bring joy; and

**WHEREAS,** Robert Nesta "Bob" Marley, born on February 6, 1945, in Nine Mile, Jamaica, is a global icon whose music and message of love, unity, and social justice continue to resonate with people across the world; and

**WHEREAS,** Bob Marley's musical legacy, including timeless hits such as *One Love, Three Little Birds,* and *Redemption Song,* reflects his unwavering commitment to advocating for peace, human rights, and the celebration of cultural identity; and

**WHEREAS,** February 2025 marks what would have been Bob Marley's 80th birthday, a milestone to honor his contributions to the world of music and his enduring impact on the global community; and

**WHEREAS,** Bob Marley's legacy lives on not only through his timeless music but also through his family, including his sons Julian Marley and Ky-Mani Marley, and his grandchildren YG Marley and Mystic Marley, who continue to share his message of love and unity; and

**WHEREAS,** Julian, Ky-Mani, YG, and Mystic Marley will be in Hawai'i to honor Bob Marley's 80th birthday and his enduring legacy at the Hawai'i Fest, held February 15-16, 2025, at the historic Moanalua Gardens, where the spirit of One Love will be celebrated by the community; and

**WHEREAS,** the people of Hawai'i share a deep connection to Bob Marley's music and message, with reggae music playing a cherished role in the islands' culture and lifestyle, promoting values of aloha, mālama, and kuleana; and

**WHEREAS,** the message of One Love calls for unity and love as the foundation for creating a better, more harmonious world, aligning with the spirit of aloha that defines Hawai'i; and

**WHEREAS,** Bob Marley's legacy continues to inspire generations to stand up for equality, embrace diversity, and spread kindness in their communities; and

THEREFORE, I, Josh Green, M.D., Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim February 14, 2025 as

## **"ONE LOVE DAY"**

in the State of Hawai'i, in honor of Bob Marley's incredible musical legacy and his 80th birthday, and encourage all residents and visitors to reflect on the values of love, unity, and peace that his music embodies, and to celebrate his life and contributions through music, art, and acts of kindness.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this fourteenth day of February 2025.

Inh Green M.D.

Josh Green, M.D. Governor, State of Hawaiʻi