



Proclamation

WHEREAS, through the observance of Pride Month we recognize and honor the rich diversity that makes up our islands, and we celebrate the inherent dignity, worth and equality of all people; and

WHEREAS, Pride Month is a time to honor the history, achievements and contributions of the mǎhū, as well as the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual, plus (LGBTQIA+) community. Members have long been a vital part of Hawai'i's social, cultural and economic fabric; and

WHEREAS, the month of June commemorates the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in New York City, a pivotal moment in the movement for LGBTQIA+ rights in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i is a leader in the movement for equality, having been among the first states to recognize the rights of same-sex couples and to pass laws protecting individuals from discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity; and

WHEREAS, despite progress, mǎhū and LGBTQIA+ individuals continue to face discrimination, stigma and violence. It is all of our shared kuleana to work toward a more just, inclusive and equitable society for all; and

WHEREAS, Pride Month is an opportunity to celebrate love, inclusion, acceptance and human rights; and

WHEREAS, we re-commit ourselves to ensuring that all people, regardless of who they are or whom they love, can live openly and authentically without fear; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i joins communities across the nation and the world in celebrating Pride Month and reaffirming our commitment to equity, justice and aloha for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Josh Green, M.D., Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 2026, as

“PRIDE MONTH”

in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to celebrate the diversity of our community, to promote equity and respect for all. May we all join to stand in solidarity with our mǎhū and LGBTQIA+ community.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this first day of June 2026.

Josh Green, M.D.
Governor, State of Hawai'i