



Proclamation
In Recognition of
National Day of Prayer

WHEREAS, the 66th observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the United States of America was founded on the principle of freedom of religion according to the First Amendment to the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, a National Day of Prayer was established by an act of Congress in 1952 and has ever since been maintained and promoted as a source of pride among various faiths; and

WHEREAS, devout citizens across America will join together in the spirit of fellowship and pray for guidance in a multitude of places of worship; and

WHEREAS, the National Day of Prayer belongs to all Americans and is a time when we transcend our differences and bring together citizens from all backgrounds for the common good; and

WHEREAS, regardless of faith or belief system, we unite with others on this day to gather in prayer with thankfulness while striving for the mutual betterment of every individual and our state as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this day is to reaffirm our respective beliefs and promote understanding, peace and aloha throughout our state, nation and world;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May 4, 2017 as

"NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER"

in Hawai'i and extend our warmest mahalo and aloha to the National Day of Prayer Task Force for their coordination efforts. We encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to give thanks in accordance with their own faiths for our many freedoms and privileges.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this twenty-ninth day of March 2017.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i