



*Proclamation*  
*Presented to the*  
**Australian Consulate General**

**WHEREAS**, January 26 is Australia's National Day, being the 226th anniversary of the unfurling of the Union Jack flag at Sydney Cove in 1788; and

**WHEREAS**, the **Australian Consulate General** reminds us that Australia is home to some of the world's oldest living cultures, including Aboriginal peoples who arrived at least 50,000 years before European settlement, as well as Torres Strait Islander peoples who arrived 10,000 years before European settlement; and

**WHEREAS**, the **Australian Consulate General** recognizes that Australia is a diverse country rich in indigenous and immigrant cultures; and

**WHEREAS**, the **Australian Consulate General** recalls that Australia is a friend, partner and ally of the United States of America, and our soldiers, sailors and airmen have stood side by side throughout the decades; and

**WHEREAS**, the **Australian Consulate General** observes that the ties that bind Australia and Hawai'i together reach back into history and have enriched both island homes; and

**WHEREAS**, the **Australian Consulate General** celebrates the ever growing contemporary ties between Australia and Hawai'i spanning business, sports, economics, tourism and military cooperation; and

**WHEREAS**, the **Australian Consulate General** reaffirms that the people of Australia and the people of Hawai'i share the vision of a peaceful, stable and prosperous Indo-Pacific region in the 21st century, and they likewise possess the will to work towards that goal;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor** for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim January 26, 2014, as

**"AUSTRALIA DAY"**

in Hawai'i, and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us, together with Australians, celebrating what is great about their country and being Australian, as they re-commit to making Australia an even better place for the future.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-second day of January 2014.

  
NEIL ABERCROMBIE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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