



# *Proclamation*

## *Presented*

### **In Recognition of Bruno Mars Day**

**WHEREAS, Bruno Mars Day** emphasizes that Hawai'i enjoys a long tradition of celebrating individuals who demonstrate excellence in their profession and bring international pride and recognition to the state with their exceptional talent; and

**WHEREAS, Bruno Mars Day** reminds us that on October 8, 1985, Bruno Mars was born Peter Gene Hernandez in Honolulu, Hawai'i, into a musically inclined family willing to nurture his gifts; and

**WHEREAS, Bruno Mars Day** highlights that at the age of four, Bruno Mars debuted as a performer by joining his family's musical act as an Elvis impersonator, quickly becoming one of the most recognized child performers in Hawai'i; and

**WHEREAS, Bruno Mars Day** raises awareness that after graduating from Roosevelt High School in 2002, Bruno Mars left for Los Angeles, California, at age 17, where he began his career writing songs for other artists, until breaking out as a singer in his own right with the 2010 hit "Nothin' On You," transforming him from a behind-the-scenes composer into a pop performer; and

**WHEREAS, Bruno Mars Day** underlines that the release of Bruno Mars' first solo single, "Just the Way You Are," in 2010, followed by more Top 10 singles, paved the way for several 2012 Grammy Award nominations, including Album of the Year; and

**WHEREAS, Bruno Mars Day** reiterates that Bruno Mars' career continues to ascend, as he was selected in September 2013 as the half-time entertainer for Super Bowl XLVIII, an honor placing him in the league of lauded past performers including Madonna and Justin Timberlake; and

**WHEREAS, Bruno Mars Day** underscores that Bruno Mars' talent for combining catchy pop melodies, hip-hop beats and feel-good lyrics has helped him emerge as one of Hawai'i's most popular artists, a status affirmed by his return to perform the last of a three-concert series at the Neal Blaisdell Center in Honolulu, Hawai'i;

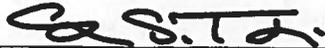
**NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor** for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 21, 2014, as

### **"BRUNO MARS DAY"**

in Hawai'i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in celebrating the achievements of Bruno Mars in representing Hawai'i well in America and around the world with his exceptional talent and performances.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this seventeenth day of April 2014.

  
NEIL ABERCROMBIE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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