



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of Loyalty Day

WHEREAS, Loyalty Day was first observed in 1921, and originally called "Americanization Day;" Loyalty Day was recognized by the United States Congress in 1958, recognized by every Commander-in-Chief since President John F. Kennedy in 1961 with an official annual proclamation; and

WHEREAS, Loyalty Day underlines that the United States is kept strong and free by the loyal citizens who preserve our valued American heritage through positive patriotic declarations and actions; and

WHEREAS, Loyalty Day reminds us that in the United States we do not define loyalty as adherence to any single leader, party or political platform, and that in the Aloha State we are strengthened by a unique diversity which encourages both healthy debate and a strong collective defense of democracy and freedom of expression; and

WHEREAS, Loyalty Day emphasizes that loyal citizens all should make it their duty to inspire complete patriotism among all of our peoples; and

WHEREAS, Loyalty Day underscores the need for a vigorous display of true red, white, and blue Americanism, serving to convey to allies, as well as enemies of freedom and democracy, that our nation is firmly united for self-preservation and the perpetuation of the principles of liberty, equality, and justice under the law;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2014, as

"LOYALTY DAY"

in Hawai'i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in urging individuals, schools, churches, organizations, businesses and households to publicly reaffirm their strong allegiance to the United States flag, country, and men and women in uniform through active participation in patriotic programs sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States and its Ladies Auxiliary.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this thirteenth day of June, 2014.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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