Proclamation

Presented to

Major General Kelly Kahalewai McKeague

WHEREAS, Major General Kelly Kahalewai McKeague was born and raised in Kahalu'u, Hawai'i and is a 1977 graduate of Damien Memorial High School; he later earned his Bachelors' and Masters' degrees in industrial engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology; in 1981 he received his military commission as a member of the United States Air Force from the Georgia Institute of Technology's Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps Program; and

WHEREAS, Major General Kelly Kahalewai McKeague has faithfully served with the United States Air Force for over 30 years, and has held various positions of leadership and trust, beginning with his military career as a civil engineering officer serving in a variety of assignments at Base, Major Command, and Headquarters United States Air Force levels; Legislative Liaison tours at the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force and the National Guard Bureau; and is currently serves as the Commanding General for the Joint Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Accounting Command at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam; and

WHEREAS, Major General Kelly Kahalewai McKeague has been recognized for his dedicated service with the following awards:

- Defense Superior Service Medal with bronze oak leaf cluster
- Legion of Merit
- Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters
- Joint Service Commendation Medal
- Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster
- Air Force Achievement Medal with two oak leaf clusters
- Joint Meritorious Unit Award
- Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with bronze oak leaf cluster
- Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with four bronze oak leaf clusters

WHEREAS, Major General Kelly Kahalewai McKeague exemplifies his Hawaiian ancestry through his admirable service to his country, as well as through his commitment and *aloha* for his family and friends, and embraces the Hawaiian cultural values of hard work and education;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and **I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor** of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 30, 2012, as

"MAJOR GENERAL KELLY KAHALEWAI MCKEAGUE DAY"

in Hawai'i and urge people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing Major General Kelly Kahalewai McKeague for his contributions to the defense of our country and his commitment to his cultural heritage.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this thirtieth day of October, 2012.

Neil Abercrombie

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

Brian Schatz

BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i