



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of the 2012 Samoan Flag Day Celebration

WHEREAS, the 2012 Samoan Flag Day Celebration will mark the 112th anniversary of the flag of the United States of America being raised in American Samoa and the 47th anniversary of the ATOA-O-ALI'I's (the Council of Samoan Chiefs and Orators in Hawai'i) celebrating this event in our State; and

WHEREAS, the 2012 Samoan Flag Day Celebration reminds us that the peoples of Hawai'i and Samoa are inseparably connected by a common culture, geography, friendship, and mutual esteem; and that Hawai'i's Samoan community has a long established record of civic achievement; and

WHEREAS, the 2012 Samoan Flag Day Celebration will be celebrated July 14th, 2012 at the Hawai'i State Capitol; prominent members of the Samoan Community will gather for the event including members of the ATOA-O-ALI'I, under the leadership of President and High Chief Alo Lupeomatasila F.A. Williams;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim July 14, 2012, as

"SAMOAN FLAG DAY"

in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in celebrating the achievements and contributions of Hawai'i's Samoan Community and recognizing the contributions of people of Samoan ancestry the world over.

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



NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i



BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i