



Proclamation

Presented in

Recognition of the Ho'olaulima Ma Mānoa, 20th Anniversary Celebration

WHEREAS, Malama Mānoa was founded 20 years ago, when 37 Mānoa Valley residents concerned over the challenges to the character of Mānoa Valley gathered to create this grassroots group; and

WHEREAS, Malama Mānoa is a nonprofit community based organization, which now numbers 3,200 members dedicated to promoting the community, celebrating its cultural diversity and preserving the special qualities of Mānoa Valley; and

WHEREAS, Malama Mānoa has initiated numerous programs and activities, such as kupuna celebrations to honor the elderly; ohana nights and eco-fairs, stream cleaning, tree giveaways, water-use surveys and environmental programs for children, the saving of Wa'ahila Ridge, publication of "Mānoa, the A Story of a Valley" and the children's book "Kahalaopuna: The Beauty of Mānoa," and historic homes tours; and

WHEREAS, Malama Mānoa is honoring three of its outstanding leaders George Arizumi, Mary Cooke, and Linda LeGrande, on December 13, 2012, on the occasion of its 20th Anniversary Celebration at the Mānoa Grand Ballroom of the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i, and

WHEREAS, Malama Mānoa chose the theme, Ho'olaulima Ma Mānoa, the gathering of hands for Mānoa, for their celebration to inspire another generation of residents to carry forth the stewardship of this Mānoa Valley;

NOW THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and I, Brian Schatz, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim December 13, 2012, as

"MALAMA MĀNOA'S HO'OLAULIMA MA MĀNOA DAY"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the exemplary leadership and service of Malama Mānoa and its leaders to the preservation of the Mānoa Valley community

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

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i