



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of Samoan Flag Day in Honolulu

WHEREAS, Samoan Flag Day is celebrated by the Samoan community from July 11 to 13, 2013, and sponsored by the Council of Samoan Chiefs and Orators in Hawai'i (ATOA-O-ALI'I) under the leadership of President and High Chief Alo Lupeomatasila F.A. Williams and its members, based at Keehi Lagoon Park; and

WHEREAS, Samoan Flag Day commemorates the 113th anniversary of the raising of the American flag over the Territory of American Samoa on April 17, 1900, and the 48th anniversary of the ATOA-O-ALI'I celebrating the event in Hawai'i with the community; and

WHEREAS, Samoan Flag Day reaffirms the ties of friendship, culture and mutual esteem felt between the people of Hawai'i and Samoa; and

WHEREAS, Samoan Flag Day encourages the Samoan community to demonstrate its distinguished record of civic achievement and pride in the home islands and adopted communities around the world, as well as celebrate Samoan song, dance, sports and education on Samoan culture and traditions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim July 11, 2013 as

“SAMOAN FLAG DAY”

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing and celebrating the men and women of Samoan ancestry the world over, and particularly the Samoan community in Hawai'i for its unique contributions to the diverse and multicultural fabric of our State.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twentieth day of June 2013.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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