



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Gandhi International Institute for Peace was founded by Dr. Raj Kumar on September 11, 2001, to provide information and services to resolve conflict in a non-violent manner and to promote peace in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Gandhi International Institute for Peace introduced a bill at the 2015 Hawai'i State Legislature to designate October 2 as Mahatma Gandhi Day, and Governor David Ige signed the bill into law on April 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Mahatma Gandhi was born in India on October 2, 1869, and is acknowledged and remembered for his contributions to India in gaining its freedom and advancing a doctrine for nonviolence as a tool for peaceful resolution of differences; and

WHEREAS, Gandhi's non-violent response to oppression and injustice continues to inspire people who are striving for freedom and democracy in our world today; and

WHEREAS, the Gandhi International Institute for Peace is presenting Mahatma Gandhi Day and International Day of Nonviolence on October 2, 2018, to commemorate the 149th birthday of Mahatma Gandhi and to promote the legacy of this great spiritual and political leader; and

WHEREAS, the celebration will be held at the statue of Mahatma Gandhi near the Honolulu Zoo, and features music, dance and interdenominational speeches to promote nonviolence, equality, justice and freedom,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KIRK CALDWELL, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, do hereby proclaim October 2, 2018, to be

**MAHATMA GANDHI DAY
AND
INTERNATIONAL DAY OF NONVIOLENCE**

in honor of this champion of freedom, justice, and human rights, and to extend appreciation to the Gandhi International Institute for Peace for its commitment to resolving conflict in a non-violent manner and promoting peace in our community and the world.



Done this 2nd day of October, 2018,
in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirk Caldwell", is written over a horizontal line.

KIRK CALDWELL