



Proclamation

The beautiful beaches and bays of our islands are a world-renowned recreational resource that draws residents and visitors by the millions to enjoy the crystal blue water and various water activities.

While our beaches provide many leisure opportunities for the people of Hawai'i, the magnificent aquatic environment is also a sensitive ecosystem, susceptible to degradation and change from many factors, including pollution, untreated sewage, improper use, sea level rise and other natural forces.

Keeping our beaches clean and healthy is a priority for the State of Hawai'i. The State Department of Health and Department of Land and Natural Resources, in addition to various community organizations throughout our islands, have undertaken significant measures to protect and preserve our coastal resources.

Each year, the Clean Beaches Council designates *National Clean Beaches Week* as part of *Great Outdoors Month* to celebrate our nation's coastal landscapes and resources, as well as emphasize the role of sustainable beaches in American life. Communities across the nation will celebrate the week with beach cleanups, sand castle contests and other activities to promote clean and healthy beaches.

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor, and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim **June 29 through July 5, 2007**, as

CLEAN BEACHES WEEK

in Hawai'i, and encourage all of our citizens to visit, enjoy and protect our greatest natural resource.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this sixth day of June 2007.

Linda Lingle
Governor, State of Hawai'i

James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i