



Proclamation

The people of Hawai'i mourn the loss of Sergeant Alexander U. Gagalac of Wahiawa, a courageous soldier of D Company, 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division, stationed at Schofield Barracks, Hawai'i, who made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation on September 9, 2007, at Hawjiah, Iraq.

Alexander rose to the call of duty by joining the United States Army along with his twin brother, Alexis Gagalac. Though facing dangerous conditions in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Alexander honorably chose to re-enlist this past summer.

Our great nation exists because of brave patriots such as Alexander. Our hearts and prayers go out to Alexander's family and to his fellow soldiers, who nobly dedicate their lives to protecting our freedom and providing liberty to others. Out of deep respect and gratitude, we mourn the passing and honor the memory of

SGT. ALEXANDER U. GAGALAC

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby order the lowering of both the United States Flag, in accordance with H.R. 692, and the Hawai'i State Flag to half-staff on all federal, state and county buildings from sunrise to sunset on Thursday, September 27, 2007, and encourage our residents and visitors to offer their condolences to the Gagalac family.

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

Linda Lingle
Governor, State of Hawai'i