



Proclamation

Chinese communities worldwide will celebrate October 10, 2008, as the 97th annual National Day of the Republic of China.

This celebration serves as a reminder of the historic day in 1911 when a new democratic republic emerged from the overthrow of the Manchu Dynasty by revolutionary leaders, including Dr. Sun Yat-Sen. He moved to Honolulu at the age of 13 and studied at 'Iolani School. He learned the English language so quickly that he received a prize for outstanding achievement in English from King David Kalākaua. Dr. Sun's time in Honolulu remains a great source of pride for the people of our state.

The Republic of China and the State of Hawai'i share common cultural and historic ties. Many of Hawai'i's residents trace their ancestral roots to China and the island of Taiwan.

On October 6, 2008, the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Honolulu will host a National Day Celebration at the Hilton Hawaiian Village.

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim **October 10, 2008**, as

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in Hawai'i, and offer greetings of aloha to Director General and Mrs. Philip T. Y. Wang as well as other members of Hawai'i's Chinese community on this momentous occasion.

Done at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-fifth day of September 2008.

Linda Lingle
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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