



GOV. MSG. NO. 399

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
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LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

March 31, 2010

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on March 31, 2010, the following bill was signed into law:

SB2740

A BILL FOR AN ACT
RELATING TO SAINT DAMIEN DE VEUSTER DAY.
ACT 010 (10)

Sincerely,



LINDA LINGLE

Approved by the Governor
on MAR 31 2010

ACT 010
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JAN 25 2010

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SAINT DAMIEN DE VEUSTER DAY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Jozef Damien de Veuster, who would later be
2 known as Father Damien of Molokai and Blessed Damien de Veuster,
3 was a Roman Catholic missionary who sacrificed his life in
4 service to those suffering from Hansen's Disease in Kalaupapa on
5 Molokai.

6 On October 11, 2009, Father Damien was canonized as Saint
7 Jozef Damien de Veuster by His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI in
8 Rome. Prior to his canonization, Saint Damien was beatified on
9 June 4, 1995 in Brussels by His Holiness Pope John Paul II. At
10 the time of his beatification, Saint Damien was granted a
11 memorial feast day celebrated annually on May 10.

12 The purpose of this Act is to reflect Saint Damien's recent
13 confirmation of Sainthood, and mark his feast day as Saint
14 Damien de Veuster Day in Hawaii.

15 SECTION 2. Section 8-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 "~~[†]§8-8[‡—Father]~~ Saint Damien ~~[DeVeuster]~~ de Veuster
18 Day. ~~[April 15]~~ May 10 of each year shall be known and

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1 designated as "~~[Father]~~ Saint Damien ~~[DeVeuster]~~ de Veuster
2 Day", provided that this day is not and shall not be construed
3 to be a state holiday."

4 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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APPROVED this 31 day of MAR, 2010


GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII