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NEIL ABERCROMBIE
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April 7, 2014

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

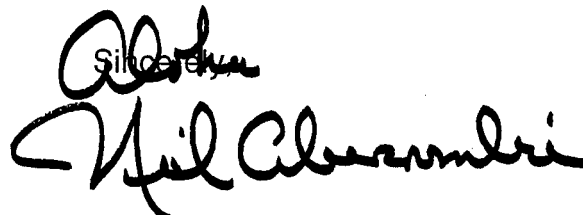
The Honorable Joseph M. Souki,
Speaker and Members of the
House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on April 7, 2014, the following bill was signed into law:

HB2071 HD1

RELATING TO GOLD STAR FAMILY DAY
ACT 007 (14)

Sincerely,


NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawaii

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ACT 007

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2014
STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO. 2071
H.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO GOLD STAR FAMILY DAY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that there is a need to
2 honor, support, and cherish the families of the United States
3 armed forces members who have bravely sacrificed their lives for
4 their country.

5 On June 23, 1936, a joint congressional resolution
6 designated the last Sunday in September as Gold Star Mother's
7 Day to honor the mothers of the men and women who have given
8 their lives for their country while serving in the United States
9 armed forces in times of war or conflict. Gold Star Mother's
10 Day has been observed every year since by presidential
11 proclamation. In September 2009, President Barack Obama renamed
12 the last day in September as Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day
13 and included family members as part of the honorees.

14 A total of seven states, Illinois, North Dakota, New
15 Jersey, New York, Ohio, Tennessee, and Wisconsin, as well as
16 Guam have enacted legislation to recognize Gold Star Mother's
17 and Family's Day.



1 The purpose of this Act is to establish Gold Star Family
2 Day in Hawaii as a specific day to honor the family members of
3 the men and women who have given their lives for their country
4 while serving with the United States armed forces in time of war
5 or during a period of hostilities.

6 SECTION 2. Chapter 8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
7 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
8 read as follows:

9 "§8- Gold Star Family Day. The last Sunday in September
10 shall be known as "Gold Star Family Day", in recognition of the
11 family members of the men and women who have given their lives
12 for their country while serving with the armed forces of the
13 United States in time of war or during a period of hostilities.
14 This day is not and shall not be construed to be a state
15 holiday."

16 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED this 7 day of APR , 2014



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

