
HOUSE RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING MARCH AS RED CROSS MONTH AND HONORING THE AMERICAN
RED CROSS ON THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN RED
CROSS' SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF HAWAI'I.

1 WHEREAS, the AMERICAN RED CROSS OF HAWAI'I has supported the
2 State of Hawai'i in many capacities during its 100 years as an
3 organization, and has stepped up and answered the call to offer
4 relief and kindness to the people of Hawai'i; and
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6 WHEREAS, the AMERICAN RED CROSS OF HAWAI'I was established
7 on August 23, 1917, under the auspices of the War Relief
8 Committee and officially chartered by the American Red Cross as
9 the "Honolulu Chapter" to start the American Red Cross of
10 Hawai'i's humanitarian mission which lasted for 100 years and
11 counting; and
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13 WHEREAS, the AMERICAN RED CROSS OF HAWAI'I is the first
14 organization called by first responders and responds to
15 disasters by providing not only food, clothing, and shelter, but
16 crisis counseling; it is on-call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week,
17 365 days a year responding to not only everyday fires and
18 floods, but also major natural and man-made disasters such as
19 earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanic eruptions, and plane crashes;
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22 WHEREAS, 97 percent of the AMERICAN RED CROSS OF HAWAI'I is
23 made up of volunteers, with volunteers contributing to the
24 AMERICAN RED CROSS OF HAWAI'I's ability to be ready to respond to
25 disasters and providing 20,000 people per year with the
26 education and means to save lives; notable volunteers throughout
27 history include Queen Lili'uokalani, Princess Ka'iulani, Duke
28 Kahanamoku, and the late United States Senator Daniel Inouye;
29 and



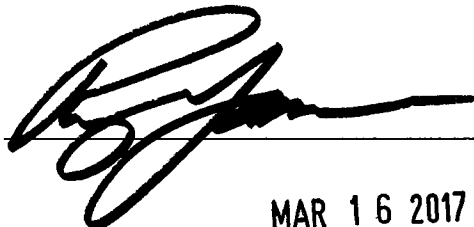
1 WHEREAS, volunteers from the AMERICAN RED CROSS OF HAWAI'I
 2 have been deployed nationally to all of the Hawaiian Islands,
 3 New York, South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, Florida,
 4 internationally to Japan and the United States island territory
 5 of Guam to provide support and assistance; and

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 7 WHEREAS, the AMERICAN RED CROSS OF HAWAI'I supports
 8 educating and preparing our communities through CPR and AED
 9 training to save lives in emergency situations that can happen
 10 at home, in the workplace, or anywhere and education for
 11 disaster preparation and prevention; now, therefore,

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 13 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 14 Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session
 15 of 2017, that this body hereby proclaims March as Red Cross
 16 Month and congratulates and honors the AMERICAN RED CROSS OF
 17 HAWAI'I on its 100th Anniversary in service to the people of the
 18 State of Hawaii.

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