### EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

June 3, 2025

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate, and Members of the Senate Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 The Honorable Nadine Nakamura Speaker, and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-Third State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 3, 2025, the following bill was signed into law:

S.B. NO. 1051, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1 RELATING TO HAWAIIAN HISTORY MONTH.

**ACT 167** 

Mahalo,

Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

oh Green M.D.

on\_\_\_\_JUN\_\_3 2025

THE SENATE
THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2025
STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 167 S.B. NO. 5.D. 1 H.D. 1 C.D. 1

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HAWAIIAN HISTORY MONTH.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that in the month of
- 2 September, Queen Liliuokalani's birth, life, and legacy is
- 3 remembered and celebrated in the Hawaiian community, including
- 4 at churches and Hawaiian organizations, such as Kawaiahao
- 5 Church's Alii Sunday, the Liliuokalani Trust Kipuka (children
- 6 centers), and the Kamehameha Schools.
- 7 The legislature further finds that the Hawaii Ponoi
- 8 Coalition was formed in 2007 to educate residents and visitors
- 9 to the islands on Hawaii's history, the Native Hawaiian people,
- 10 and the culture that makes Hawaii a place like no other. In
- 11 September 2007, the Coalition launched a commemorative event on
- 12 the grounds of Iolani Palace to celebrate the birthday of Queen
- 13 Liliuokalani.
- 14 The legislature concludes that designating September as
- 15 Hawaiian History Month would be an appropriate way to honor
- 16 Queen Liliuokalani and recognize the contributions of the Native

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- 1 Hawaiian community, while also providing community building,
- 2 educational, and economic opportunities.
- 3 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to designate
- 4 September as Hawaiian History Month.
- 5 SECTION 2. Chapter 8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
- 6 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
- 7 read as follows:
- 8 "S8- Hawaiian History Month. The month of September
- 9 shall be known and designated as "Hawaiian History Month" to
- 10 promote public awareness of Hawaii's history, honor Queen
- 11 Liliuokalani, and recognize the contributions of the Native
- 12 Hawaiian community. This month is not and shall not be
- 13 construed as a state holiday."
- 14 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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APPROVED this 3rd day of June , 2025

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

### THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 30, 2025 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2025.

President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate

### THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 30, 2025 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025.

Nadine K. Nakamura

Speaker

House of Representatives

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Madri K. Mahr

Brian L. Takeshita

Chief Clerk

House of Representatives