

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, O'ahu's precious ground water resource sustains the residents of the City and County of Honolulu, supports our economic growth and maintains our quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, the Honolulu Board of Water Supply manages our water resource and is entrusted to protect the quality and quantity of the island's finite water supply and to ensure its sustainability for current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Honolulu Board of Water Supply promotes responsible water use by providing water conservation education and outreach to government, private industry and the public; and

WHEREAS, conservation awareness has become more of an urgent need with three Board of Water Supply sources currently out of operation due to contamination concerns, coupled with reduced rainfall, causing the Board of Water Supply to step up conservation education efforts as it asks all water users to reduce water consumption by 10 percent; and

**WHEREAS**, the annual Water Conservation Week program will be held from May 8 - 14, 2022, highlighted by the awards program for the 2022 student poster and poetry contests, which were held under the theme "Water is Life; Treat it Right"; and

WHEREAS, the Water Conservation Week program is made possible through the generous support of Aloha Pacific Federal Credit Union, Friends of the Hālawa Xeriscape Garden, Hawaiian Financial Federal Credit Union, Sodexo and other agencies, businesses and organizations,

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK BLANGIARDI,** Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, do hereby proclaim May 8 - 14, 2022, to be

## WATER CONSERVATION WEEK

and urge all Honolulu residents and businesses to join the Board of Water Supply and its program sponsors to be more water-efficient, to ensure the sustainability of this precious resource for our island for years to come.

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Done this 8th day of May, 2022, in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

RICK BLANGIARDI