

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu, together with its one-million-plus residents, enjoys safe and dependable drinking water, managed by the Board of Water Supply (BWS), that enables our island home and its businesses to grow and thrive; and

**WHEREAS**, the BWS works diligently to maintain and protect this irreplaceable resource for current and future generations through effective conservation methods and programs, including public education and outreach efforts; and

WHEREAS, a significant BWS outreach endeavor is the well-established annual Water Conservation Week Program, which uses a poster and a poetry contest to inspire students in O'ahu schools, grades Kindergarten through 12, to identify, reflect on, and adopt water efficient practices in their lives, using this year's theme, "Worth of Wai"; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2025 Water Conservation Week will be observed on O'ahu from May 4-10 and celebrated with a special awards program on May 7 to recognize and honor the winners of both contests; and

WHEREAS, the Water Conservation Week Program is made possible through the generous support of sponsorships by the Aloha Pacific Federal Credit Union, Friends of the Hālawa Xeriscape Garden, Hawaiian Financial Federal Credit Union, Sodexo Hawai'i, and other agencies, businesses, and organizations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK BLANGIARDI,** Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, do hereby proclaim May 4-10, 2025, to be

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and encourage government, private industry, and the public to join the Board of Water Supply and Water Conservation Week Program sponsors to support and incorporate the careful and responsible use of water to ensure the perpetual availability of this essential resource for Oʻahu residents to enjoy now and in the years to come.



Done this 2nd day of May, 2025, in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

RICK BLANGIARDI