

Proclamation

Hawai'i benefits from the volunteer efforts of its Rotarians each and every day. The community and international service performed year-round by members of Rotary International District 5000 perpetuates the spirit of aloha and concern for the common good that is characteristic of our island home.

Rotarians have made important contributions to our state since the first Rotary Club was chartered in Hawai'i 93 years ago. Today, we are fortunate to have more than 2,200 men and women in 43 Rotary Clubs on the islands of Hawai'i, Kaua'i, Maui and O'ahu. In addition to participating in hands-on projects to improve the quality of life of residents, members have made District 5000 among the top five districts for contributions to the Rotary Foundation, which funds humanitarian projects worldwide.

Two years ago, Rotarians in San Diego launched the annual Rotarians at Work Day to visually highlight the community service Rotarians perform throughout the year. On this day, Rotary members roll up their sleeves and work side-by-side to make a difference in their communities. In just two years, this special day has grown exponentially to include the participation of Rotarians from eight countries around the world.

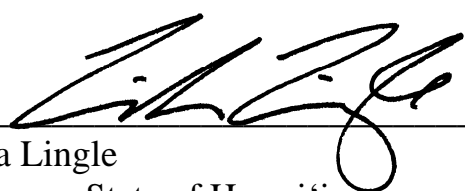
This year, Hawai'i Rotary Clubs statewide will mark this day by participating in more than 30 different volunteer projects based on needs they have identified in their communities. They will be joined by community partners in performing a wide range of projects aimed at helping our neighbors and demonstrating the power of volunteerism to bring about hope and positive change.

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor, and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim **April 26, 2008**, as

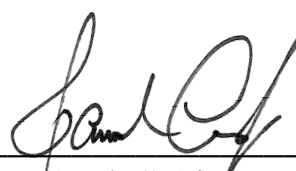
ROTARIANS AT WORK DAY

in Hawai'i, and encourage all of our citizens to follow the example of our local Rotary Clubs in contributing to the well-being of our island home by volunteering their time, talents and resources.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-fifth day of April 2008.



Linda Lingle
Governor, State of Hawai'i



James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i