

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Conflict Resolution Day will be celebrated in Hawai'i and around the world on October 18, 2018, to promote awareness of alternative dispute resolution or processes as a peaceful means of resolving conflicts; and

WHEREAS, conflict resolution encompasses mediation, ho'oponopono, arbitration, conciliation, coaching, facilitation of collective and collaborative dialogue and decision-making, and other cooperative responses to differences; and

WHEREAS, these processes empower individuals, groups, and communities to foster communication and devise solutions that are acceptable to the needs and interests of all parties involved; and

WHEREAS, conflict resolution is taught and practiced in a range of contexts throughout Hawai'i's public, private, and non-profit sectors including education, healthcare, business, real estate, construction, shipping, and our judicial system as a way of resolving disputes; and

WHEREAS, the Association for Conflict Resolution Hawai'i joins its partners The Hawai'i State Judiciary's Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution, The Hawai'i State Bar Association's ADR Section, The Matsunaga Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution, the Mediation Centers of Hawai'i and private mediators, haku, arbitrators, facilitators, neutrals, collaborative lawyers, and peacemakers throughout the state in observing Conflict Resolution Day; and

WHEREAS, the celebration encourages support of conflict resolution systems and best practices and recognizes the significant contributions of peaceful conflict resolvers,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KIRK CALDWELL, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, do hereby proclaim October 18, 2018, to be

CONFLICT RESOLUTION DAY

to encourage residents to learn more about alternative dispute resolution practices and apply them to their daily lives to promote peaceful and creative solutions to conflicts.



Done this 18th day of October, 2018, in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

KIRK CALDWELL