

Proclamation

WHEREAS, African Americans have improved and enhanced the lives of Hawai'i residents through significant achievement in all fields of human endeavor; and

WHEREAS, the African American Diversity Cultural Center Hawai'i provides opportunities to celebrate the history of African Americans by offering educational programs, such as the Black History Month exhibit at Honolulu Hale, advocating for the preservation of historic sites, and producing other projects that promote freedom, equality and justice; and

WHEREAS, Barack Obama, the 44th President of the United States, was born on August 4, 1961, spent most of his childhood in Honolulu and attended Punahou School from fifth grade through high school; and

WHEREAS, the African American Diversity Cultural Center Hawai'i celebrates President Obama's birthday annually to raise funds for educational programs and to support the Obama Hawaiian Africana Museum; and

WHEREAS, the organization is presenting the 2021 Obama Neighborhood Walk and Give-A-Thon Virtual Fundraiser on August 1, to raise funds to purchase and preserve President Barack Obama's childhood home,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK BLANGIARDI, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, do hereby proclaim August 2021, as

PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA BIRTHDAY MONTH

to encourage participation in the virtual fundraiser and to extend sincere appreciation to the organization for honoring President Barack Obama and celebrating his historic accomplishments and significant contributions.

Done this 1st day of August, 2021, in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

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RICK BLANGIARDI