

COUNTY OF HAWAI'I

Proclamation

WHEREAS States have retained the authority to decide how controlled substances are used within each State; and

WHEREAS the State of Hawai'i lawfully exercised this authority on June 14, 2000, when Governor Cayatano signed Act 228 (SLH 2000) into law, creating a state regulated medical cannabis program for Hawai'i, ; and

WHEREAS the U.S. Department of Justice and the Drug Enforcement Administration have never challenged the constitutionality of Hawai'i's Medical Use of Cannabis Act; and

WHEREAS Hawai'i's Medical Cannabis Program has enabled tens of thousands of patients with debilitating medical conditions to benefit from the personal medical use of cannabis under medical supervision for the past twenty-one years; and

WHEREAS the purpose of this Proclamation is to honor our medical cannabis patients and to recognize their right to engage in the state authorized use of cannabis for medical purposes in Hawai'i.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MITCHELL D. ROTH, Mayor of the County of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 14, 2021, as

MEDICAL CANNABIS DAY

in the County of Hawai'i and ask the people of Hawai'i to join us in recognizing the twenty-first anniversary of the state authorized use of cannabis for medical purposes in Hawai'i.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused The Seal of the County of Hawai'i to be affixed. Done this 14th day of June 2021, in Hilo, Hawai'i.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mitchell D. Roth".

Mitchell D. Roth
Mayor