

COUNTY OF HAWAI'I

Proclamation

WHEREAS 2022 marks the 110th Anniversary of the founding of *The Outdoor Circle*, the oldest environmental organization in Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS the *Outdoor Circle* was started in 1912 as a civic organization dedicated to the protection, promotion, and advocacy of the scenic and natural beauty of Hawai'i, and has sponsored tree plantings continually over this century-plus history and proud legacy; and

WHEREAS the *Outdoor Circle* established its first branch of many on Hawai'i Island in 1949 in order to carry out its mission of beautification of our State of Hawai'i through advocacy in removal of visual blight, canopy shade tree planting, highway and streetscape beautification, fostering creation and caretaking of parks and gardens, protecting wild lands, and thorough many other projects fostering deep civic pride that continues to this day; and

WHEREAS planting trees is an easy way for all of us to both enhance our environment and help preserve the planet for future generations; and

WHEREAS in recognition of the critical value of trees, the branches of *The Outdoor Circle*, in conjunction with Hawai'i's *Arbor Day*, will hold tree giveaways throughout the state to encourage residents to plant trees on their property; and

WHEREAS East Hawai'i *Outdoor Circle*, Waikoloa Village *Outdoor Circle* and Waimea *Outdoor Circle*, will each hold tree giveaways on *Arbor Day*, November 5, 2022, giving away over 1000 trees, with educational components and staff available at each location.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mitchell D. Roth, Mayor of the County of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim November 5, 2022, as

THE OUTDOOR CIRCLE 110th ANNIVERSARY APPRECIATION DAY

in Hawai'i County and encourage our citizens to support *The Outdoor Circle*, and to celebrate the beauty and importance of trees in our lives, for today, and for the future. We welcome everyone to join the continuing mission of keeping Hawai'i a clean, green, beautiful, sustainable, place to live.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused The Seal of the County of Hawai'i to be affixed. Done this 5th day of November 2022, in Hilo, Hawai'i.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mitchell D. Roth', is written over the printed name.

MITCHELL D. ROTH
MAYOR