

# Proclamation

International education and exchange includes thousands of public and private programs, campus-based and national, that promote the sharing of ideas and experiences across borders. These include study abroad programs; citizen and scholarly exchanges; foreign students on U.S. campuses; culture, political, geographic and foreign language studies; and, global approaches to American education.

By participating in such programs, our young people develop a greater appreciation and respect for other people and their cultures. This increased awareness breaks down barriers to understanding and cooperation, which are vital to peace and prosperity.

We live in an increasingly interconnected world and improving global literacy among our citizens contributes significantly to our nation's foreign policy, economic competitiveness and national security.

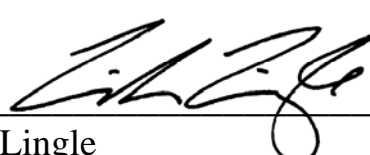
The U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education have declared November 13 – 17, 2006 as International Education Week, in observance of the many important contributions of international education to our nation. This year's theme, *International Education: Engaging in Global Partnerships and Opportunities*, highlights the importance of creating new partnerships and seizing the opportunities of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

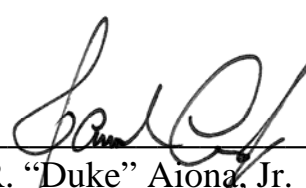
**THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE**, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim **November 13 through 17, 2006**, as

## **INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK**

in Hawai'i, and urge all citizens and institutions to participate in this celebration by recognizing the importance of international education in our lives and communities.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this first day of November 2006.

  
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Linda Lingle  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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