



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Free Speech Week was established in 2005 by the Media Institute and the National Association of Broadcaster's Education Foundation to celebrate free speech, a free press and to raise awareness of the value of free speech in our democracy; and

**WHEREAS**, the nationwide observance of Free Speech Week takes place October 19 - 25 this year; and

**WHEREAS**, groups and organizations are invited to join in promoting Free Speech Week and among participants are high school clubs, college newspapers, large media companies, trade organizations, libraries and museums; and

**WHEREAS**, 'Ōlelo Community Media is O'ahu's non-profit community public, education, and government access provider, serving the community through diverse programming about our island and people, the many cultures we share and the issues we face; and

**WHEREAS**, 'Ōlelo provides access to media training, production facilities, and air time on its cable and online outlets, delivering non-commercial programming created by hundreds of dedicated producers; and

**WHEREAS**, 'Ōlelo Community Media will celebrate Free Speech Week with activities that promote meaningful dialogue and increased participation in civic life,

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, KIRK CALDWELL**, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, do hereby proclaim October 19 - 25, 2020, as

## **FREE SPEECH WEEK**

to encourage residents to acknowledge and appreciate that freedom of speech and of the press are rights that all Americans share, and I extend deep appreciation to 'Ōlelo Community Media for promoting the observance on O'ahu.



Done this 4th day of September, 2020,  
in Honolulu, Hawai'i.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirk Caldwell", is written over a horizontal line.

KIRK CALDWELL