

COUNTY OF HAWAI'I

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio Week recognizes the miracle of radio transmissions over the airwaves and the accomplishments of Amateur Radio Operators worldwide; and

WHEREAS, 2014 celebrates the Centennial Anniversary of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), the leading organization for Amateur Radio in our nation; and

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio Operators have provided countless hours of community services throughout these decades, and have also provided a bridge between people, societies, and countries by creating friendships and the sharing of ideas; and

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio week is celebrated by 717,201 Amateur Radio operators in the United States and 4,550 in the Pacific Section, which includes Hawaii, Guam, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, of which 3,550 are in the State of Hawaii and:

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio week culminates on the weekend of June 28-29 with the "Field Day" operating event that simulates setting up a station "in the field" and operating 24 hours in both the USA and Canada to polish communications skills that are vital to emergency operations; and

WHEREAS, statewide "Field Day" events will take place on Saturday, June 28, 2014, and Hawai'i Amateur Radio Clubs will set up transmitters to demonstrate emergency radio communications. The Big Island Amateur Radio Club (BIARC) will set up at the Wailoa Center in Hilo,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Billy Kenoi, Mayor of the County of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the week of June 23-29, 2014, as

AMATEUR RADIO WEEK

in recognition of this important emergency preparedness exercise, and encourage all citizens to pay tribute to the Amateur Radio Operators and their role in keeping us informed in times of emergency.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused The Seal of the County of Hawai'i to be affixed. Done this 1st day of June, 2014, in Hilo, Hawai'i.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Billy Kenoi".

Billy Kenoi
MAYOR