



Proclamation

WHEREAS, amateur radio operators, often called “hams,” provide backup communications for emergency response agencies and organizations when regular communications systems and networks are unavailable; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 700,000 amateur radio licensees in our nation and more than 2.5 million worldwide; and

WHEREAS, amateur radio operators have provided countless hours of community service in emergencies and for public events without compensation; and

WHEREAS, the National Association for Amateur Radio (ARRL), the leading organization for amateur radio in the United States, has designated June 23-29, 2014 as Amateur Radio Week; and

WHEREAS, the ARRL Amateur Radio Field Day exercise on June 28 is a 24-hour emergency preparedness exercise and demonstration of the operators’ skills in providing self-supporting communications; and

WHEREAS, on Field Day, which is the highlight of the AARL Amateur Radio Week, ham operators will construct emergency stations in parks, shopping malls, schools, and backyards to demonstrate their ability to send messages without the use of telephone systems, Internet, or any other infrastructure,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KIRK CALDWELL, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, do hereby proclaim June 23-29, 2014, to be

AMATEUR RADIO WEEK

in recognition of amateur radio operators for providing valuable communication services in our community, assisting our emergency response team, and maintaining their skills and readiness.



Done this 12th day of May, 2014,
in Honolulu, Hawaii.

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

KIRK CALDWELL