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## RESOLUTION

URGING THE MAYOR TO ISSUE A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU A PURPLE HEART CITY AND COUNTY TO EXPRESS GRATITUDE FOR AND HONOR THE SERVICE AND SACRIFICE OF MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES WHO WERE WOUNDED OR KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart, originally titled the Badge of Military Merit, was a purple-colored, heart-shaped badge created by General George Washington in 1782 and is the oldest military decoration in present use; and

WHEREAS, the medal was intended to recognize, as General Washington wrote on August 7, 1782, "any singularly meritorious action," not only in instances of unusual gallantry, but also of extraordinary fidelity and essential service; and

WHEREAS, currently, the Purple Heart is awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces who have been killed, wounded, or died of wounds while engaged in armed combat with an enemy force or as a result of international terrorism or being a prisoner of war; and

WHEREAS, veterans and active duty members of the United States Armed Forces have made and continue to make extraordinary sacrifices for the protection of the nation and its people; and

WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu ("City") has a proud history of supporting its active military and veteran population, and deeply appreciates the sacrifices its Purple Heart recipients have made in the nation's defense; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City and County of Honolulu wishes to honor our City's Purple Heart recipients for their "singularly meritorious action" in the line of duty and become a Purple Heart City and County; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it urges the Mayor to issue a proclamation declaring the City and County of Honolulu a Purple Heart City and County to express gratitude for and honor the service and sacrifice of members of the United States Armed Forces who were wounded or killed in the line of duty; and



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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and the Purple Heart Rainbow Chapter.

	INTRODUCED BY:
DATE OF INTRODUCTION:	
FEB 2 0 2024 Honolulu, Hawaiʻi	Councilmembers

## CITY COUNCIL CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU HONOLULU, HAWAII CERTIFICATE

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Introduced:

02/20/24

By: AUGIE TULBA

Committee:

**EXECUTIVE MATTERS AND LEGAL** 

AFFAIRS (EMLA)

Title:

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Voting Legend: \* = Aye w/Reservations

02/20/24	INTRO	Introduced.
03/05/24	EMLA	Reported out for adoption.
		CR-72
		8 AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA, WEYER
		1 ABSENT: WATERS
03/25/24	CCL	Committee report and Resolution were adopted.
		9 AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.

CEN I. TAKAHASHI, CITY CLERK

TOMMY WATERS, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER