Proclamation

Whereas, the Hawaiian Kingdom became a member of the Universal Postal Union on January 1, 1882; and

Whereas, despite the unlawful overthrow of its government by the United States of America, which President Grover Cleveland admitted was done by an act of war, the Hawaiian Kingdom remained an independent and sovereign State and a subject of international law; and

Whereas, the Hawaiian Kingdom has not withdrawn its membership to the Universal Postal Union in accordance with Article 12 of the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union, and therefore remains a member State; and

Whereas, §415, Article VI, Chapter VII, Title 2, Civil Code of the Hawaiian Islands, provides: "The Postmaster-General by and with the advice and consent of His Majesty the King in Privy Council, is hereby authorized to adopt and adhere to any and all the rules and regulations now adopted, and in force or that hereafter may be adopted by the Universal Postal Union, whether or not the said rules and regulations shall or may cause an increase or decrease in either the income or expenditure of the post office."
Now, therefore, We, the acting Council of Regency of the Hawaiian Kingdom, serving in the absence of the Monarch and temporarily exercising the Royal Power of the Kingdom, do hereby adopt and adhere to any and all the rules and regulations now adopted, and in force or that hereafter may be adopted by the Universal Postal Union, whether or not the said rules and regulations shall or may cause an increase or decrease in either the income or expenditure of the post office.

In Witness Whereof, We have hereunto set our hand, and caused the Great Seal of the Kingdom to be affixed this 30th day of December A.D. 2017.

David Keanu Sai, Ph.D.
Chairman of the acting Council of Regency
Acting Minister of the Interior

Peter Umialiloa Sai,
Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs