

# Proclamation

Hawai'i's fresh milk industry is a vital asset to our state's diversified agricultural industry. Milk provides wholesome nutrition to consumers on a daily basis and is an important source of fresh food for our residents. Milk contains calcium and other essential nutrients for strong bones and good health.

Hawai'i's dairy industry contributes to food security and decreases our dependency on imported milk. Buying fresh, local milk supports the local dairy market. The big island dairies responsible for the production of Island Fresh Milk contribute more than \$6 million annually to our state's economy and provide a quality alternative to mainland products.

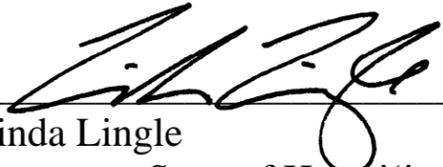
Consumer support for Island Fresh Milk sustains Hawai'i's fresh milk industry, which contributes to our health, welfare and quality of life in the islands. Our state's dairy industry observes Dairy Month during the month of June to raise awareness about the many benefits of choosing locally produced milk. Dairy Month includes events promoting Island Fresh Milk and milk products and educating the public about this vital industry.

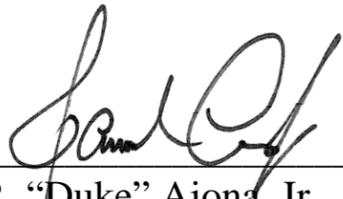
**THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor, and I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.,** Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim **June 2008**, as

## DAIRY MONTH

in Hawai'i, and encourage all of our citizens to support local dairies including Island Fresh milk.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-seventh day of June, 2008.

  
Linda Lingle  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

  
James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.  
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i