



THE KINGDOM OF HAWAI'I

From the desk of the King

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PROCLAMATION

King's Philosophy of Law for the Kingdom of Hawai'i

Aloha mai ko'u pu'uwai iā 'oe,
From my heart to yours

To the citizens of the Kingdom of Hawai'i, and to all nations of the world, I proclaim this philosophy of law:

The sacred Law of Aloha.

In the process of reclaiming the Kingdom from an illegitimate overthrow, it is crucial, according to international legal standards, to restore what was unlawfully seized. Specifically, in this case, an entire government was taken over in 1893 through coercion involving threats of

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violence and death. Kingdom Law forms the initial phase of this restoration. Yet the authors of past Kingdom Law were not fully focused on understanding its spiritual significance. Therefore, in restoring Kingdom Law today, I would be negligent not to also renew its spiritual aspect. By integrating spiritual values, our laws will be balanced and blessed.

As hereditary King of the Kingdom of Hawai‘i, I prioritize my duties by serving God, the Kingdom, and then my family. This guiding principle comes from the Hawaiian phrase *Kanawai Kiekie o ka ‘Āina*, which means “*the welfare and the health of the people shall be the supreme law.*” This respected legal adage, connected to our *iwi’s Kupuna* (ancestors), emphasizes the importance of placing the well-being and health of the entire community above individual rights in governance and lawmaking.

The **Law of Aloha** is more than a word; it is a sacred principle of compassion, respect, justice, and unity. It calls us to live in harmony with one another and to uphold governance that protects life, strengthens community, and honors the dignity of every person.

Additionally, *Ma nā Kanawai Kūlo* highlights obedience to natural laws and principles, which are in harmony with nature, the natural world, and God. Together, these sacred laws form the foundation of justice for the Kingdom of Hawai‘i.

This **Law of Aloha** shall also serve as the supreme principle of justice within our judicial systems. It is hereby established as the guiding foundation of the Kingdom of Hawai‘i Supreme Court, the International Indigenous Criminal Courts (IICC), and the International Indigenous Court of Justice (IICJ). All verdicts, rulings, and procedures within these courts shall be governed by *Aloha*—ensuring that justice is delivered with fairness, compassion, dignity, and reconciliation.

Officers of these courts, from judges to advocates, shall be bound to embody the **Law of Aloha** in their service. While honoring the rights of individuals, they shall uphold the greater welfare and health of the people, as commanded by *Kanawai Kiekie o ka ‘Āina*. In this way, the Kingdom’s law serves not only its own people but also contributes to a universal Indigenous framework of justice, one that harmonizes humanity with God, nature, and one another.

Let us never forget the words spoken by King Kamehameha III: *Ua mau ke ea o ka ‘āina i ka pono*—the life of the land is perpetuated in righteousness. These words were declared on



July 31, 1843, following the restoration of Hawaiian sovereignty after a time when British naval captain Lord George Paulet compelled the king to cede the kingdom to Great Britain. Upon the arrival of Admiral Richard Thomas and the reestablishment of the Kingdom's independence, Kamehameha III issued this immortal proclamation.

Today, those words continue to live through the sacred **Law of Aloha**, further expressed by our *Kupuna as Ma nā Kanawai Kūlo*—to exist in harmony with creation.

Thus, the **Law of Aloha** shall remain the highest principle of governance and justice in the Kingdom of Hawai'i and beyond—ensuring compassion in governance, stewardship in harmony with nature, and unity among all peoples under God.

With faith, aloha, and 'Ohana,

Your King,

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