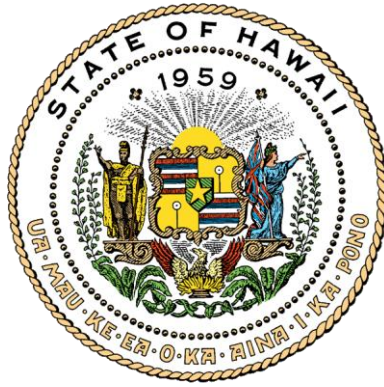




Proclamation

WHEREAS, temporal arteritis, or Giant Cell Arteritis, is a serious inflammatory disease of blood vessels that primarily affects adults over 50 years old and can cause sudden, permanent vision loss without rapid treatment; and

WHEREAS, prompt recognition of hallmark symptoms, including new or severe headache, scalp tenderness, jaw pain with chewing, visual disturbance and constitutional symptoms can prevent irreversible complications; and

WHEREAS, timely use of appropriate therapy and rapid referral to specialists remains critical to preserving sight and health; and

WHEREAS, education of clinicians, patients and families improves time-to-diagnosis and reduces preventable disability; and

WHEREAS, patients and caregivers in Hawai'i deserve access to accurate information, appropriate diagnostics and coordinated care; and

NOW, THEREFORE I, Josh Green, M.D., Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim, October 23, 2025, as

“GIANT CELL ARTERITIS AWARENESS DAY”

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in supporting public education and clinical vigilance statewide to help the people of Hawai'i - especially our kūpuna-at risk, physicians and caregivers, and to align with national awareness efforts.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this thirtieth day of September 2025.

Josh Green, M.D.
Governor, State of Hawai'i