

County of Maui

# Proclamation

WHEREAS, Men's Health Month is recognized nationally and internationally as a time to raise awareness of men's health issues, promote healthy living among men and boys, and encourage early detection and treatment of health conditions; and

WHEREAS, the centerpiece of Men's Health Month is National Men's Health Week, a special awareness period passed by Congress and signed into law by President Bill Clinton on May 31, 1994; and

WHEREAS, nationwide, life expectancy for men averages five years less than that of women, with men experiencing higher rates of health problems such as diabetes, obesity, cancer, heart disease, and premature mortality; and

WHEREAS, the increasing epidemic of substance abuse and suicide demands special efforts to raise awareness about unrecognized and undiagnosed depression and mental stress in boys and men; and

WHEREAS, Men's Health Month is a time for the public to recognize the mental and physical health needs of men and boys while encouraging fathers to be role models for their children through preventive health screenings, healthy living and seeking help when needed.

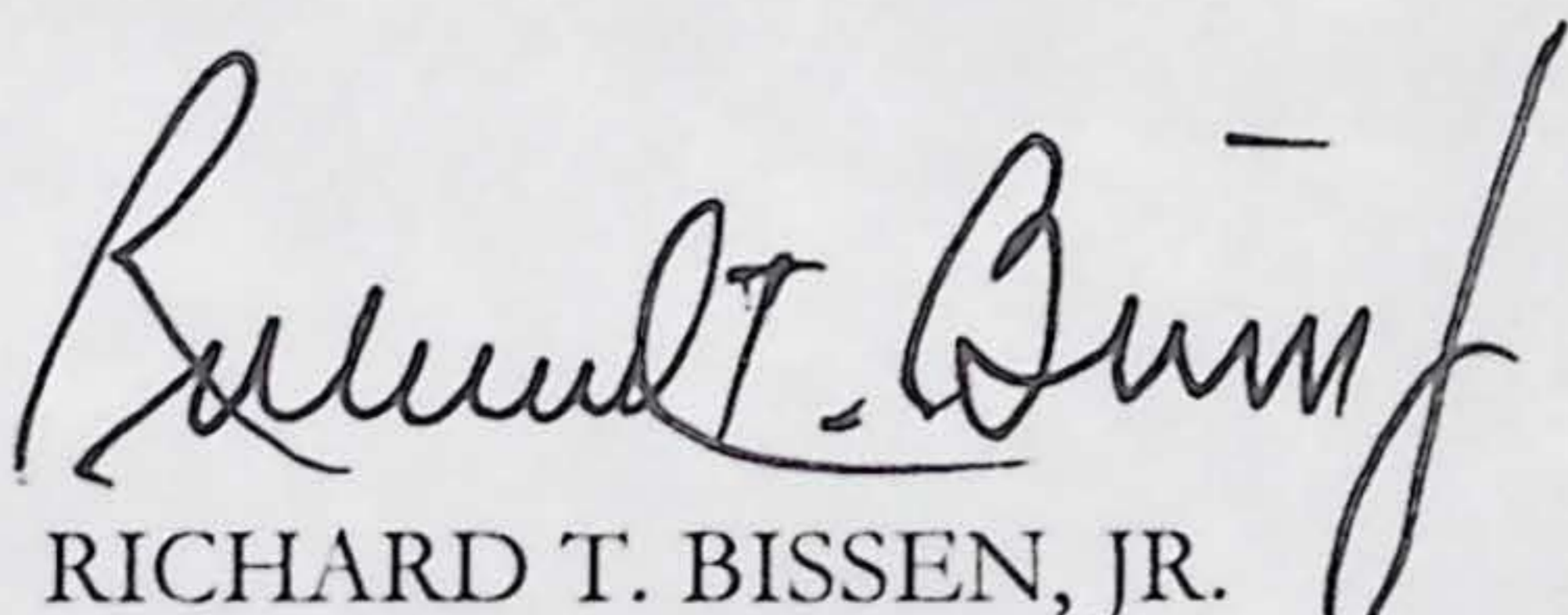
NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD T. BISSEN, JR., Mayor of the County of Maui, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2024, as

## MEN'S HEALTH MONTH

throughout the County of Maui, to foster open conversations about men's health issues, and support initiatives aimed at promoting awareness of men's health.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the County of Maui to be affixed hereto.

DONE at Wailuku, Maui, Hawai'i,  
on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2024.

  
RICHARD T. BISSEN, JR.  
Mayor, County of Maui

