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**ATTORNEY GENERAL DOUG CHIN OPPOSES
EXECUTIVE ORDER ON IMMIGRATION**

HONOLULU – Attorney General Doug Chin has joined 17 other state Attorneys General opposing the White House’s Executive Order on immigration. The statement reads in part:

“As the chief legal officers for over 130 million Americans and foreign residents of our states, we condemn President Trump's unconstitutional, un-American and unlawful Executive Order and will work together to ensure the federal government obeys the Constitution, respects our history as a nation of immigrants, and does not unlawfully target anyone because of their national origin or faith.”

A copy of the full statement is attached to this release.

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Seventeen Attorneys General stand up for individual freedoms, condemn un-American federal executive order

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Religious liberty has been, and always will be, a bedrock principle of our country and no president can change that truth.

Yesterday, multiple federal courts ordered a stay of the Administration’s dangerous Executive Order. We applaud those decisions and will use all of the tools of our offices to fight this unconstitutional order and preserve our nation’s national security and core values.

We are confident that the Executive Order will ultimately be struck down by the courts. In the meantime, we are committed to working to ensure that as few people as possible suffer from the chaotic situation that it has created.”

Current states on are:

CA, NY, PA, WA, MA, HI, VA, OR, DC, CT, VT, IL, NM, IA, ME, RI & MD