Undaunted Courage and Civil Liberties

Thursday, January 30, 2014, 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Ali'iōlani Hale, 417 South King Street

Presented by

King Kamehameha V Judiciary History Center Hawai'i State Bar Association Civic Education Committee

Throughout American history, numerous individuals have fought tirelessly to preserve, protect, and defend the constitutional rights and civil liberties of all people. To celebrate, honor, and educate the public about the importance of the commitment to preserving civil liberties and the Constitution, Governor Neil Abercrombie signed Act 94 into law on June 7, 2013. Act 94 recognizes January 30th as Civil Liberties and the Constitution Day.

In recognition of Civil Liberties and the Constitution Day, the King Kamehameha V Judiciary History Center and the Hawai'i State Bar Association Civic Education Committee have organized an evening program to remind us of the courage of those who remain committed to freedom, even when their own civil liberties and rights are being challenged. From standing up against the mass internment of individuals because of their race, to demanding gender equality in the face of a society entrenched in male dominance, to advocating for the rights of immigrant children, many have advanced the cause of equality and justice for all.

Fred T. Korematsu Professor of Law and Social Justice **Eric K. Yamamoto** will speak about Fred T. Korematsu and his legal challenges to the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II and Korematsu's subsequent efforts to seek redress for those who were incarcerated. Hawai'i Supreme Court Associate Justice **Sabrina S. McKenna** will provide insight into the life of Patsy T. Mink, who broke gender barriers and set the ground work for women's equality in education, and speak to Mink's impact and indelible legacy of equality for all. Attorney **John Egan**, who specializes in immigration law, will discuss the 2012 Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) policy and the current struggle faced by undocumented youth brought to this country as children and their efforts to suspend their deportation from the U.S. by staying in school or by serving in the U.S. military.

The program is free to the public. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP at 539-4999.