

Proclamation Presented to

Hawai'i National Board Certified Teachers

WHEREAS, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, an independent, nonprofit organization working to advance accomplished teaching for all students, was founded in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i had five hundred and twenty-three National Board Certified Teachers by December of 2014; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve National Board Certification, applicants must complete a performancebased assessment, which can take between one and three years to complete; and

WHEREAS, research shows that students of National Board Certified Teachers make greater gains on achievement tests over time, than students taught by teachers who are not board-certified; and

WHEREAS, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards acknowledges the vital role that National Board Certified Teachers play in the academic growth and development of Hawai'i's children;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and **I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor** of the **State of Hawai'i**, do hereby proclaim January 29, 2015 as

"Hawai'i National Board Certified Teachers Day"

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to recognize the Hawai'i Board Certified Teachers and their contributions to our state.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this twentyeighth day of January 2015.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i