



Proclamation
Presented to
Lanikai Elementary School

WHEREAS, tsunamis, which are produced by earthquakes and other seismic events, pose a high risk to the Hawaiian Islands due to Hawai'i's location in the middle of the Pacific Ocean; and

WHEREAS, recent scientific research and modeling, commissioned by the State of Hawai'i, have resulted in changes made to the local evacuation zones; and

WHEREAS, all schools that are located in these tsunami evacuation zones, such as Lanikai Elementary, have taken a proactive approach to educating their students, teachers and parents of the potential risks, including what to do before, during and after a tsunami; and

WHEREAS, Tsunami Awareness Month encourages us to take steps to safeguard the lives of our family, friends and neighbors against the threat of tsunami by learning more about the threat, making evacuation plans in advance of an emergency, and exercising those plans; and

WHEREAS, various Federal, State, County and private organizations are promoting tsunami education and outreach events across the state so all visitors and residents of Hawai'i may follow the wonderful example of Lanikai Elementary;

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

"TSUNAMI AWARENESS MONTH"

in Hawai'i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in heeding the best advice of Civil Defense, Federal, State and County agencies, as well as our school and community leaders, in preparing our families for this potential threat to our islands.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this thirty-first day of March 2015.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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