

Proclamation Presented to

Daughters of the American Revolution

WHEREAS, on September 17, 1787, delegates signed the Constitution of the United States of America, the supreme law of our land, which embodies the principles of freedom and the pursuit of happiness guaranteed to every American; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the courage, conviction and sacrifice of those who have helped to shape and preserve the principles of democracy; and

WHEREAS, in celebration of the signing of the Constitution, the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) successfully petitioned the United States Congress in 1955 to observe Constitution Week, thereby resulting in public law 915, which guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 125th Anniversary of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the largest women's patriotic organization in the world, with 177,000 members in 3,000 chapters, including the DAR Hawai'i State Organization and local chapters on O'ahu, Maui and the island of Hawai'i, which is committed to raising public awareness of the Constitution and its Bill of Rights; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 228th Anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States of America;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim September 17 - 23, 2015 as

"CONSTITUTION WEEK"

in Hawai'i, and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join the Daughters of the American Revolution in recognizing and appreciating the importance of this enduring document to the United States and reaffirm our commitment to the rights and responsibilities of citizenship in this great nation.

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

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i