

Proclamation In Recognition of

The Week of the Young Child

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Association for the Education of Young Children's (HAEYC) mission is to promote, support and expand quality and professionalism in early childhood programs and services for Hawai'i's children, ages 0 – 8, and their families; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Association for the Education of Young Children (HAEYC) and local organizations are working to improve early learning opportunities, including early literacy programs, that can provide a strong foundation for children in the State of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Association for the Education of Young Children (HAEYC) believe teachers and all who make a difference in the lives of young children in Hawai'i deserve appreciation and recognition for ensuring our young children develop to their full potential; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Association for the Education of Young Children (HAEYC) encourage public policies that support the health, safety, development and early learning that are crucial to our *keiki's* futures; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Association for the Education of Young Children (HAEYC) and other local organizations, in conjunction with the National Association for the Education of Young Children, are celebrating the Week of the Young Child from April 12 - 18, 2015;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 12 - 18, 2015 as

"THE WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD"

in Hawai'i, and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in celebrating "Our Youngest Learners", and encourage all citizens to work to make a responsible investment in early childhood in Hawai'i.

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

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i