

Proclamation

In Recognition of

## **Homeownership Month**

WHEREAS, homeownership strengthens families, stabilizes neighborhoods, builds communities and promotes personal well-being; and

WHEREAS, homeownership fosters economic prosperity and generates economic growth; and

WHEREAS, key Hawai'i housing partners, including the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation, Department of Hawaiian Home lands, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the County housing agencies, Hawai'i Association of Realtors; private developers, such as Castle & Cooke Homes Hawai'i, Inc. and Stanford Carr Development, LLC; financial institutions, the unions and nonprofits, such as the Hawai'i HomeOwnership Center, Hawaiian Community Assets, Habitat for Humanity and Self-Help Housing Corporation of Hawai'i are actively engaged in increasing and preserving homeownership opportunities for the people of Hawai'i; and

**WHEREAS**, these public, private and nonprofit partners have successfully implemented initiatives, such as the Mortgage Credit Certificate Program, the development of affordable homes for the first-time homebuyers, self-help housing and homeownership and foreclosure mitigation counseling programs which assist homebuyers to prepare for and sustain homeownership;

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

## **"HOMEOWNERSHIP MONTH"**

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join in recognizing this special observance with appropriate activities.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this twenty-ninth day of May, 2015.

DAVID Y. **ISE** Governor, State of Hawai'i

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