

Proclamation Presented to

Self-Help Housing Corporation of Hawai'i

WHEREAS, this year marks the 50th anniversary of the Self-Help Housing Program under the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Housing Programs; and

WHEREAS, 50,000 homes have been built by self-help families throughout the United States as of the year 2015; and

WHEREAS, approximately 1,000 houses have been built by self-help families throughout the state of Hawai'i: and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i federal resources, state resources, public and private resources, and profit and non-profit entities have collaborated to build self-help housing projects; and

WHEREAS, through the Self-Help Housing Program, minority families, single parent families, Native American families, Native Hawaiian families, migrant farmers, and other low income families have been able to attain homeownership; and

WHEREAS, through the Self-Help Housing Program, low income families have attained decent affordable housing and gained equity as a result of their efforts; and

WHEREAS, in Hawai'i, the Self-Help Housing Program is a proven successful vehicle for the workforce of the State to attain homeownership;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 15, 2015 as

"SELF-HELP HOUSING DAY"

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the hard work and dedication of the Self-Help Housing Program of Hawai'i in assisting families in building their homes through the self-help housing method.

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

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i