

ProclamationPresented to Waimānalo Health Center

WHEREAS, for over 15 years, Waimānalo Health Center (WHC) has participated in health contracts with the State of Hawai'i and has successfully met the federal requirements related to administrative, governance, fiscal and clinical operations as a Federally Qualified Health Center since 1994; and

WHEREAS, in the past five years WHC has experienced a 30 percent spike in new patients and a 29 percent jump in patient visits while remaining the only community health center on 0'ahu awarded as a Patient-Centered Medical Home Level 3, the highest achievable recognition for a healthcare provider by the National Committee for Quality Assurance, without ever undertaking an expansion or significant improvement in its facilities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with a strategic plan that calls for meeting the increasing needs of the community in the Koolaupoko area, a new \$13 million, two-story outpatient care facility, that will be located near the current facilities, is in the process of being designed as the expansion facility for medical, behavioral health, vision, pharmacy, nutrition and support services, which will allow the center to expand their programs and overall organizational capacity to better serve the community; and

WHEREAS, a ground blessing ceremony will be held and a community-driven \$13 million capital campaign entitled Waimānalo Health Center Ola I Ka Wai Capital Campaign, will be launched on Wednesday, June 10, 2015:

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 10, 2015 as

"WAIMĀNALO HEALTH CENTER OLA I KA WAI DAY"

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing Waimānalo Health Center for their hard work and dedication in taking care of the health and well-being of the residents of Hawai'i.

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

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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