



# *Proclamation*

## *Presented to*

### **Mr. Stan Lee**

**WHEREAS**, at the age of 16, Stanley Martin Lieber graduated high school and began working as an editorial assistant for the Timely comics group (later known as Marvel Comics), where he was promoted to editor in 1942 and began writing comic-book scripts under the pseudonym of Stan Lee, which eventually became his legal name; and

**WHEREAS**, Stan Lee is the legendary creator of *the Fantastic Four, Spider-Man, the Hulk, Iron Man, Thor, the X-Men*, and many other fictional characters whose stories have inspired millions of people around the world, and some to create their own characters and share their own stories, including those here in Hawai'i; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Lee inspired us through his stories by veering away from the typical superhero ideals and creating characters that combined superhuman powers with human emotions and problems while they dealt with real-world issues in a way that would influence comics for decades; and

**WHEREAS**, after nearly 60 years of working for Marvel in an official capacity, Stan Lee pursued other projects that included forming Stan Lee Media and POW! Entertainment, in addition to publishing books on comics and his life, such as *Origins of Marvel Comics, Excelsior!: The Amazing Life of Stan Lee*, and *Stan Lee and the Rise and Fall of the American Comic Book*; and

**WHEREAS**, the 92 year old American comic book writer is also an editor, publisher, media producer, television host, actor, and former president and chairman of Marvel Comics; a true visionary whose comics and films can be found in virtually every country, in almost every language, uplifting and entertaining multiple generations; and

**WHEREAS**, Stan Lee was inducted into the comic book industry's Will Eisner Award Hall of Fame in 1994, the Jack Kirby Hall of Fame in 1995, and received a National Medal of Arts in 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, *Mahalo* to the organizers of the Amazing Hawai'i Comic Con 2015, for bringing such an esteemed person to our great State of Hawai'i for their inaugural event;

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

## **"STAN LEE DAY"**

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing Stan Lee for his numerous contributions to the entertainment industry and for creating characters we have grown to love that will be enjoyed for generations to come. *Excelsior!*

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this eighteenth day of September 2015.

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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