



Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, prostate cancer is the most common non-skin cancer in America and it is estimated that nearly three million men in the United States are currently living with this disease; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, approximately 220,000 men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer and more than 27,000 men will die from this disease; and

WHEREAS, African-American men and men with family history of prostate cancer have a higher likelihood of being diagnosed with the disease, and as men increase in age, their risk of developing prostate cancer increases exponentially; and

WHEREAS, most men do not experience any symptoms with early stage prostate cancer; and

WHEREAS, cure rates for prostate cancer are very high when detected in its early stages; and

WHEREAS, men who have prostate cancer are encouraged to discuss treatment options with their healthcare provider and family to assist them in making good treatment decisions; and

WHEREAS, Prostate Cancer Awareness Month encourages the public to increase their understanding of this disease, including the approaches to screening and prevention, treatment options, and resources that offer the latest information on prostate cancer;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim September 1 - 30, 2015 as

"PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in this observance and encourage men to learn their risk and to speak to their healthcare provider about screening for prostate cancer.

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

Governor, State of Hawai'i

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i