

Proclamation Presented to The Hawai'i Meth Project

WHEREAS, established in 2009, the Hawai'i Meth Project is a large-scale prevention program aimed at reducing methamphetamine use in Hawai'i by educating teens and young adults across the state with the facts about the drug through public service messaging, public policy and community outreach; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Meth Project will join Meth Project chapters nationwide in recognizing November 30 – December 5, 2015 as Meth Awareness Week with various activities centered around this year's theme, "Raise the Volume"; and

WHEREAS, United States President George W. Bush issued a proclamation on November 30, 2006, recognizing that day as National Methamphetamine Awareness Day, which is observed annually on November 30th in an effort to raise awareness and combat the use of methamphetamine across the nation; and

WHEREAS, methamphetamine is recognized by law enforcement officials, drug counselors and legislators as the number one drug threat to Hawai'i, due to its devastating financial and social consequences; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Meth Project's activities mobilize communities across the state to assist in bringing methamphetamine awareness and prevention activities to students, families and the community at large in order to increase awareness of the critical nature of the methamphetamine problem, influencing and escalating public dialogue to find solutions; and

WHEREAS, the Meth Awareness Week theme for this year is "Raise the Volume," turning the spotlight back onto Hawai'i's continued fight against methamphetamine use, encouraging dialog among our families and community members;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim November 30 – December 5, 2015 as

"METH AWARENESS WEEK"

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in supporting the activities and efforts of the Hawai'i Meth Project by joining together to "Raise the Volume" on methamphetamine addiction and create change in our communities.

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

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i