

Proclamation Presented to

Hale Kau Kau

WHEREAS, Hale Kau Kau, "House of Meals", was founded in 1991 as the vision of Cheryl Solon and Kathy Worley, with the assistance of Father Jack Stawasz of Saint Theresa's Church, to feed the hungry; and

WHEREAS, a small group of dedicated and determined individuals worked diligently to find a way to fund Hale Kau Kau and prepare the food in order to serve their community; and

WHEREAS, every night of the year, Hale Kau Kau serves a free, hot, nutritious meal unconditionally – no questions asked – at Saint Theresa's Church to anyone who comes to their kitchen at mealtime; and

WHEREAS, every night of the year, Hale Kau Kau delivers a free, hot, nutritious meal to the elderly, ill and disabled homebound clients in South Maui; and

WHEREAS, with the generous help, support and commitment of their many volunteers over the past 25 years, Hale Kau Kau has served over 1.2 million meals to the homeless, the poor and the homebound; and

WHEREAS, in collaboration with Keolahou Hawaiian Congregational Church, Hale Kau Kau distributes weekly food baskets and emergency food supplies to families in crisis; and

WHEREAS, Hale Kau Kau brings together a variety of local businesses, churches, clubs, individuals as well as county and state resources to fund the efforts and feed those in need;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and **I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor** of the **State of Hawai'i,** do hereby proclaim March 4, 2016 as

"HALE KAU KAU DAY"

in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing and celebrating the 25th Anniversary of Hale Kau Kau and extending our warmest *Mahalo* for the years of service they have provided the Maui community.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this twenty fourth day of February 2016.

DAVID Y. IGE-

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i