

ProclamationTresented to Celtic Organizations of Honolulu

WHEREAS, Celtic Organizations of Honolulu are continuously advancing the rich Celtic history and furthering Celtic culture through education and the arts in the islands; and

WHEREAS, the Celtic organizations of Honolulu include the Saint Andrew Society of Hawaii, the Friends of Saint Patrick, the Caledonian Society of Hawaii, the Hawaii Scottish Association, the Celtic Pipes and Drums of Hawaii, the Hawaii Irish Dance, the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society, and the Scottish American Military Society Post 808; and

WHEREAS, each Celtic organization has its own notable history, key mission, and strong commitments; and

WHEREAS, Celtic organizations continue to provide charitable contributions to Hawaii's schools and assistance agencies, and award valuable scholarships to students; and

WHEREAS, during March and April, they join together to celebrate their rich heritage through a variety of events including the Emerald Ball, Saint Patrick's Day Parade, the Hawaii Scottish Festival and Highland Games, National and State Tartan Day, the Blue Shamrock Kilted Classic Golf Tournament, dances by the Hawaii Irish Dance and the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society of Hawaii, performances by the Celtic Pipes and Drums of Hawaii, the Grand Scotch Tour, Ceilidhs, the Celtic Book Club, and kilt nights at the various Irish pubs; and

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim March 1 through April 15, 2016 as

"Celtic Days in Hawaiʻi"

and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in celebrating the long and rich history of Hawai'i's Celtic community and to recognize the many contributions they have made to positively influence and enrich our state.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this 1st day of March 2016.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i