

Proclamation In Recognition of

The Harlem Globetrotters 90th Anniversary

WHEREAS, the Harlem Globetrotters began in 1920 as the Savoy Big Five, and are an exhibition basketball team that combines athleticism, theater, and comedy; and

WHEREAS, over the years, the Harlem Globetrotters has played more than 26,000 exhibition games in more than120 countries and territories on six continents; and

WHEREAS, the Harlem Globetrotters has broken down cultural and societal barriers while providing fans with their first-ever basketball experience; and

WHEREAS, the Harlem Globetrotters plays in more than 450 live events worldwide each year, with at least three different teams touring the United States ; and

WHEREAS, the Harlem Globetrotters are celebrating their 89th consecutive year, continuing a world famous tradition of ball handling wizardry, basketball artistry, and one-of-a-kind family entertainment that continues to thrill fans of all ages; and

WHEREAS, the Harlem Globetrotters declared that they will be giving back even more during their 90th year with "The Great Assist" program performing acts of goodwill in which fans can nominate a worthy cause or deserving family in need of a smile; and

WHEREAS, the team will bring their bullying prevention programs to over 400 schools and community centers, talk to youth about character education and physical fitness, visit children's hospitals, and lend a helping hand during their tour;

THEREFORE, I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 20-27, 2016 as

"HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS WEEK"

in Hawai'i and strongly encourage the people of the Aloha State to participate in this momentous celebration of the Harlem Globetrotters 90th anniversary.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this twentieth day of April 2016.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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