



## Department of Land and Natural Resources State Historic Preservation Division

WHEREAS, 2016 commemorates the 50th Anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), signed into law on October 15, 1966 by President Lyndon Baines Johnson; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Congress found and declared that the spirit and direction of the Nation was founded upon and reflected in its historical heritage, and that foundation should be preserved as a living part of our community life and development in order to give a sense of orientation to the American people; and

WHEREAS, the NHPA increased awareness of the intrinsic value of historic properties for our communities and our country, establishing review processes that provide for public input, thought and consideration before historic properties on or eligible for the National Register, are impacted by federal undertakings; and

**WHEREAS,** the NHPA helps stabilize neighborhoods and downtowns, contributes to public education, attracts investment, creates jobs, generates tax revenues, supports small business and affordable housing, and powers America's heritage tourism industry; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i recognizes the value of conserving and developing the historic and cultural property within the State for the public good, realized through the Hawai'i Historic Preservation Program (Chapter 6E, HRS) which promotes the use and conservation of such property for the education, inspiration, pleasure, and enrichment of its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the Historic Preservation Division of the Department of Land and Natural Resources is to guide the efforts to preserve and protect valuable historic and cultural sites located in the State of Hawai'i;

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

## "HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH"

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this second day of May 2016.

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i