



Proclamation
Presented to

The Muscular Dystrophy Association

WHEREAS, “muscular dystrophy” covers more than 52 different types of muscular and neuromuscular diseases and can affect individuals in various degrees of severity; and

WHEREAS, all muscular dystrophies result in progressive muscle weakness ranging from mild muscle weakness to complete paralysis of all voluntary muscles, including those used for breathing and/or swallowing; and

WHEREAS, more than one million individuals in the United States are affected by a form of muscular dystrophy; and

WHEREAS, muscular dystrophy strikes people regardless of race, sex, age, or ethnicity; and

WHEREAS, raising public awareness of these diseases will continue to facilitate the discovery of treatments and cures, as well as bring much needed funding for support and services for families in the state of Hawai‘i who are affected by muscular dystrophy and neuromuscular diseases; and

WHEREAS, Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month is a special opportunity to educate the public about muscular dystrophy and issues in the muscular dystrophy community;

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

“MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY AWARENESS MONTH”

in Hawai‘i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in this observance.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, on this twenty-second day of July 2016.



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai‘i



SHAN S. TSUTSU
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai‘i