

Proclamation In Recognition of

Sepsis Awareness Month & World Sepsis Day

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, sepsis affects more than one million Americans each year, kills up to half of them, and is the ninth-leading cause of disease-related death in the nation; and

WHEREAS, despite the severe danger and widespread occurrence of this illness, a survey conducted by the Sepsis Alliance found that fewer than half of all Americans have heard of the term sepsis; and

WHEREAS, recognizing more attention could be drawn to sepsis and sepsis awareness if there was a specific month dedicated to the cause, the Sepsis Alliance established the month of September as Sepsis Awareness Month in 2011; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, the Global Sepsis Alliance declared September 13 to be World Sepsis Day, bringing together people in the healthcare community and members of the public to recognize that sepsis is a global problem;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2016 and the day of September 13, 2016 as

"SEPSIS AWARENESS MONTH" & "WORLD SEPSIS DAY"

in Hawai'i, and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us in this observance.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, in Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this thirty-first day August 2016.

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i