

Proclamation Presented to

The Hawai'i State Coalition Against Domestic Violence

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i State Coalition Against Domestic Violence, a statewide partnership of domestic violence programs and shelters, has advocated for victims and survivors of domestic violence for over 35 years, working toward creating a safer and more peaceful state for Hawai'i's families; and

WHEREAS, by observing Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Hawai'i State Coalition Against Domestic Violence seeks to educate the public on the incidence of intimate partner violence in Hawai'i's communities, and strives to assist the victims of domestic violence and their children who have suffered emotional and physical abuse; and

WHEREAS, through the inspiration, courage and persistence of victims of domestic violence, their children and their advocates, legislation has been enacted to provide protection and services for those victims and their children: and

WHEREAS, the achievements of those working to end domestic violence throughout the state and nation who continue to assist victims of domestic violence and prevent future violence in our communities are to be commended:

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

"DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH"

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the Hawai'i State Coalition Against Domestic Violence for their continued dedicated efforts to prevent domestic violence and to serve those suffering in abusive relationships.

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

Governor. State of Hawai'i

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