



Proclamation

In Recognition of

Great Aloha Sports, Health & Fitness Month

WHEREAS, the Great Aloha Run (GAR) was created in 1985 to promote health, fitness, family, community, and fun as well as raise funds for local charities; and

WHEREAS, the vision of the Great Aloha Run, "*Ke kukui me ke aloha pau'ole*" (The Race with Compassionate Love), exemplifies the mission to promote the values of Hawai'i's aloha spirit: *akahai, lōkahi, olu'olu, ha'aha'a, and ahonui*; and

WHEREAS, the GAR has raised over \$11 million in 32 years for more than 150 non-profit health and human service organizations and community groups; and

WHEREAS, the Great Aloha Run Sports, Health, & Fitness Expo educates our keiki, kupuna, and community with exhibits, seminars, and activities that emphasize exercise, diet and nutrition, healthy living, recreation, and leisure; and

WHEREAS, over 4,000 volunteers, non-profit organizations, and businesses help support the run and expo; and

WHEREAS, with increasing interest, participation and community pride among runners, walkers, wheelchair users, and babies in strollers who enjoy the experience, over 20,000 people participate in the Great Aloha Run every year; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i has been recognized as a premier location with an ideal climate, longevity, quality of life, good health practices, and an emerging 21st century healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, the Great Aloha Run is held every year on Presidents' Day and highlights the Aloha Tower and Aloha Stadium;

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

"GREAT ALOHA SPORTS, HEALTH & FITNESS MONTH"

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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