



Proclamation

Presented to

Hawai'i Island Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Island Chamber of Commerce (HICC) is the "Voice of Business" of East Hawai'i with more than 300 member companies and nearly 700 individuals, serving the local business community for 119 years; and

WHEREAS, the mission of HICC is to promote the products and services from Hawai'i Island, provide leadership and advocacy for the business community, and foster the economic well-being of the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, HICC promotes public awareness and understanding of military issues, especially pertaining to the Pohakuloa Training Area, community impact and benefits for Hawai'i Island's economy; and

WHEREAS, HICC keeps members informed by collecting and dispensing information on business trends, legislation and new developments, sponsors seminars and programs to help members conduct better business, and provides educational workshops, presentation and social activities; and

WHEREAS, HICC promotes entrepreneurship and small business by hosting Small Business Saturday which emphasizes the value of shopping locally and helps businesses to launch sales promotions and build a customer base; and

WHEREAS, HICC provides scholarships to qualified students in pursuit of higher education at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo and Hawai'i Community College; and

WHEREAS, its affiliate, the Chamber of Commerce Hawai'i, will be celebrating "Chamber Week" from January 17 - 20, 2017 with a series of events designed to encourage local businesses to become more involved in the legislative process and to give members the opportunity to hear from key legislators on matters facing our economic future;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim January 17 - 20, 2017, as

"CHAMBER WEEK"

in Hawai'i, and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the Hawai'i Island Chamber of Commerce for its efforts in broadening economic opportunities for local businesses and promoting economic diversification in the islands.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this third day of January 2017.



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i



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