

Proclamation Presented to

Kona-Kohala Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, the Kona-Kohala Chamber of Commerce (KKCC) is the leading business advocacy organization on the west side of Hawai'i Island, actively working to enhance the environment, unique lifestyle and quality of life in West Hawai'i for residents and visitors alike: and

WHEREAS, KKCC exists to provide leadership and advocacy for a successful business environment as the "Voice of Business" in West Hawai'i for over 540 members; and

WHEREAS, KKCC provides members with business education workshops and seminars, networking opportunities to sell products and services, referrals and marketing publicity for their companies, and updates with the latest trends and issues; and

WHEREAS, KKCC's Kuleana Green Business Program, the first of its kind in the state of Hawai'i, promotes ethical business practices and environmental stewardship based on product/service quality, community relation activities, customer service ideals, employee relations and eco-efficient operations; and

WHEREAS, KKCC celebrates individuals and non-profit organizations and businesses that bring people together to get positive things done in the community, ranging from removal of invasive species to supporting education programs that prepare a future workforce for science and technology jobs in Hawai'i's 21st century economy; 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 Kona-Kohala 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.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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