



Proclamation
Presented to
Child and Family Service

WHEREAS, Parents Anonymous Inc. has declared February as National Parent Leadership Month to honor and celebrate Parent Leaders within our communities, as well as encourage others to develop their potential to become Parent Leaders; and

WHEREAS, the National Parent Leadership Month was created in order to recognize parents for their vital leadership and mentoring roles in their homes and communities and in state, national, and international arenas; and

WHEREAS, meaningful parent leadership occurs when parents gain the knowledge and skills necessary to function in meaningful leadership roles and present a "parent voice" to help shape the direction of their families, programs and communities; and

WHEREAS, Parent Leadership is an essential and effective means of strengthening families and preventing child abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, parents who take on leadership roles expand their strengths and abilities to develop and implement plans to reach specific goals; and

WHEREAS, National Parent Leadership Month highlights the many opportunities available for parents, professionals, policymakers and other community members to engage in partnerships with the goal of building and supporting strong and safe families;

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

"PARENT LEADERSHIP MONTH"

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to support this initiative to recognize and honor parents and Parent Leaders.

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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