

Proclamation In Recognition of

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Hawai'i 30th Anniversary

WHEREAS, we celebrate the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Hawai'i for its contributions over the past 30 years providing a "home-away-from-home" and an invaluable source of hope for seriously ill children who travel far from home for medical care; and

WHEREAS, the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Hawai'i keeps families together during their most trying times and provides a warm, dignified and supportive environment for our families; and

WHEREAS, Honolulu has two Ronald McDonald Houses, both located in lower Mānoa Valley, that are in continual operation 24 hours a day, 365 days a year; and

WHEREAS, the Ronald McDonald Houses on Judd Hillside and on O'ahu Avenue provide comfort and support for more than 400 families every year; and

WHEREAS, guest families come from many different areas throughout the Pacific and over three-fourths of the families served come from neighbor islands; and

WHEREAS, the individual stories of the children and families who stay at the Ronald McDonald House of Hawai'i continue to positively impact us through their courage and hope; and

WHEREAS, we wish to extend our thanks to the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Hawai'i for continuing to keep families together when needing each other the most; and to instill hope for those whose children are fighting cancer, heart problems or major physical trauma;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim March 27, 2017 as

"RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES OF HAWAI'I DAY"

and encourage all residents of the Aloha State to join us in extending our congratulations and heartfelt mahalo to this benevolent organization on its 30th anniversary and for its generous contributions to Hawai'i's families during their critical times of need.

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

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i