



Proclamation

In Recognition of

Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month

WHEREAS, Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month is an opportunity to recommit to ending sexual assault, giving survivors the support they need to heal, and building a culture that never tolerates sexual violence; and

WHEREAS, Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month highlights Hawai'i's efforts to prevent and stop sexual violence and to enhance community safety; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i State Department of Health, in partnership with the Hawai'i State Department of the Attorney General and the Hawai'i Coalition Against Sexual Assault, utilized its Rape Prevention and Education (RPE) federal grant to establish and develop twelve Sexual Violence Prevention Community Action Teams (CAT) throughout the State of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, eight of Hawai'i's Sexual Violence Prevention CATs have nominated individuals or organizations from their respective communities who have been active in engaging men and boys as allies to prevent sexual violence; and

WHEREAS, Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month is an opportunity to recognize and honor these Sexual Violence Prevention CATs that are committed to creating "a Hawai'i where people are free from sexual violence and where sexual respect and healthy relationships flourish" and to recognize the following organizations and individuals who have made a difference in the prevention of sexual violence in our communities, specifically:

- 1) Men of Strength at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo (nominated by Higher Education CAT)
- 2) Honolulu Theater for Youth & T-shirt Theater (nominated by Alcohol Junction CAT)
- 3) Roxanne Aburamen (nominated by East Hawai'i CAT)
- 4) Juan Almont-Doñe (nominated by Military CAT)
- 5) Hyimeen Histo-Akiona (nominated by Waianae/Leeward CAT)
- 6) Malakai "Mo" Maumalanga (nominated by the Hawaii Partnership to Prevent Underage Drinking CAT)
- 7) Wendell Say (nominated by Engaging Men and Boys CAT)
- 8) Paul Tonnessen (nominated by Maui CAT)

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

"SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH"

in Hawai'i, and encourage our citizens to join us in promoting awareness of sexual violence; educating the public about available resources and services for survivors, their friends and family; and getting involved in statewide efforts to prevent sexual violence.

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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