

Proclamation In Recognition of

Pride in Public Service Month -"Ha'aheo"

WHEREAS, Ha'aheo, Pride in Public Service Month, observed throughout May 2017, promises to highlight the dedication of Hawai'i's public service sector employees who remain committed to the people of our State, and who dedicate themselves to protecting, encouraging, sustaining, teaching, healing and nurturing our people and environment: and

WHEREAS, the Executive Branch of Hawai'i State Government in partnership with the Public Employees Roundtable celebrate Public Service Recognition Week from May 7-13, 2017 along with other federal, state, and local governments throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, the Public Employees Roundtable has served as a non-partisan coalition of good government organizations for more than three decades, representing civil servants and retirees from all levels and throughout the country, and continues to lead efforts to show appreciation to our nation's talented and dedicated public servants; and

WHEREAS, Ha'aheo, Pride in Public Service Month, calls attention to how essential state employees are meeting the health, wellness and safety needs of the public and strengthening our communities and contributing to the daily lives of kama'aina and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the courage, determination and perseverance demonstrated by our state employees in the workplace and commend their willingness to work in unity, with purpose and pride in public service, demonstrating their unique talents and the Aloha spirit in all state departments; and

WHEREAS, our state employees are our most valuable asset and they seek new and innovative ways to make government more efficient and effective, find creative solutions to the critical issues facing our state and contribute to our collective efforts to make Hawai'i a home for future generations;

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

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in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing and celebrating the commitment of public sector employees and saying mahalo for their steadfast commitment to serving the people of our aina in the true spirit of aloha and ha'aheo.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-fifth day of April 2017.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

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