

## Male Breast Cancer Awareness Week

**WHEREAS,** more than 2,400 men in the United States are diagnosed with breast cancer each year and an estimated 460 men die annually from the disease; and

**WHEREAS**, breast cancer is commonly thought to be a disease affecting only women, a misconception that can delay diagnosis and treatment in men, too often leading to death; and

**WHEREAS**, early detection of male breast cancer is critical, as those diagnosed when the cancer is in its earliest stages have a better chance of successful treatment and, ultimately, survival; and

**WHEREAS,** in order to promote early diagnosis and prompt treatment of male breast cancer, public education and understanding of the disease is necessary;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor**, and **I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor** of the **State of Hawai'i,** do hereby proclaim October 15 - 21, 2017 as

## "MALE BREAST CANCER AWARENESS WEEK"

in the State of Hawai'i in order to remember the men who have lost their lives to breast cancer, and to increase awareness about early diagnosis, treatment and prevention.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this tenth day of August 2017.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i