

## Proclamation Presented to

## Hawai'i Small Business Development Center

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Small Business Development Center (SBDC) was established in 1990 to provide professional business advice, research and training to business owners and new entrepreneurs in order to promote growth, innovation, productivity and management improvement; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Hawai'i SBDC is to drive the economic sustainability of Hawai'i by helping businesses to form, grow and thrive; and

**WHEREAS**, Hawai'i SBDC offers affordable workshops, conferences and special events designed to help local small businesses statewide with business plan development, financial controls, money management and marketing; and

WHEREAS, 2017 was a record year for Hawai'i SBDC clients, creating 363 jobs, access to capital of \$29,415,734, and new sales of \$18,183,944; and

**WHEREAS**, Hawai'i SBDC cooperates with the community of federal, state, local and private organizations to leverage resources for the achievement of shared economic development goals; and

**WHEREAS**, SBDC Day unites nearly 1,000 SBDC centers across the country by celebrating the successes of dreamers, innovators and doers in the small business community;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of **Hawai'i,** do hereby proclaim March 21, 2018 as

## "SBDC DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the value of small businesses and entrepreneurship and how the Hawai'i SBDC enhances the diversification, innovation and economic wellbeing of Hawai'i, one business at a time.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this nineteenth day of January 2018.

Aand y Ly DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i