

WHEREAS, archival documents and historical records provide a unique resource to the rich heritage, culture and diversity of Hawai'i, the United States and many parts of the world; and

WHEREAS, these records link Hawai'i's people to their past by giving a greater understanding of our state and our unique culture; and

WHEREAS, archival records give a voice to diverse and underrepresented perspectives not typically found in canonical or printed publications; and

WHEREAS, meticulous and thorough recordkeeping has always been an important part of an open democracy and maintains a safeguard of the rights and freedoms of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, organizations as well as individuals on each island in Hawai'i have established archives as a means of preserving the history of our state; and

WHEREAS, archives provide a resource and space for learning and teaching by giving students and community members a place to discover, research, analyze and synthesize information in new and innovative ways while also providing institutions with an insight into Hawai'i's people and communities; and

WHEREAS, archival institutions, their staff and collections professionals on each island diligently work to provide the public with access to materials and are instrumental in evaluating, collecting, organizing and describing Hawai'i's records; and

WHEREAS, the Association of Hawai'i Archivists celebrates its 30th anniversary, alongside a multitude of events, both nationally and locally, in support of American Archives Month to engage the public in activities that will increase and enrich the civic value of archives;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, DOUGLAS S. CHIN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 2018 as

"ARCHIVES MONTH"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in discovering the numerous treasures contained in the many archives and special collections across the islands and recognizing the important resources that archives provide.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this sixteenth day of September 2018.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i