



Proclamation

WHEREAS, National Parent Leadership Month was created to recognize parents for their vital leadership and mentoring roles in their homes and communities statewide, nationwide and worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Child and Family Service, along with parents, community organizations, and local and national government leaders, celebrate National Parent Leadership Month to honor parent leaders within our communities and encourage others to develop their potential to become parent leaders; and

WHEREAS, parent leadership is an essential and effective means of strengthening families, preventing child abuse and neglect, and connecting communities; and

WHEREAS, meaningful parent leadership occurs when parents gain the knowledge and skills necessary to function in leadership roles and present a "parent voice" to help shape the direction of their families, programs and communities; and

WHEREAS, parents who take on leadership roles expand their own strengths and abilities to develop and implement plans to reach specific goals; and

WHEREAS, parent leaders who share their experience and knowledge help to build resiliency in other parents, children and youth, foster well-being, and improve lives for a better future;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim February 2019 as

"PARENT LEADERSHIP MONTH"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the importance of parent leadership and the partnership efforts of parents, professionals, policymakers and community members to build and support strong and safe families.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this seventeenth day of January 2019.

JOSHUA B. GREEN
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i