



Proclamation

WHEREAS, storytelling through filmmaking is a means through which dreams are made and new worlds appear, a means to pass on truth and traditions, and a means through which people can share their voices and where others can gain a deeper understanding of one's heritage, culture and contemporary challenges; and

WHEREAS, November 1–3 is the 'Ohina Short Film Festival which gives talented, local filmmakers a chance to learn from the best during workshops and pitching sessions; and

WHEREAS, hosted by Pacific Islanders in Communications (PIC) and with support from the state, the Hawai'i Media Makers Summit will be held on November 5, bringing together professionals and emerging media makers to revolutionize Hawai'i media for a global audience; and

WHEREAS, on November 6, more than 100 media makers, advocates, funders and cultural leaders will gather for the inaugural Good Pitch Local Hawai'i for compelling, urgent stories; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Hawai'i International Film Festival (HIFF) attracts more than 70,000 film enthusiasts from around the world and will present 200 films from 45 countries, including films from PIC's Pacific Showcase, on November 7–17; and

WHEREAS, 'Ulu'ulu, the Henry Ku'ualoha Moving Image Archive of Hawai'i, in partnership with HIFF, presents its newly digitized archival works on the history and culture of Native Hawaiians and the people of Hawai'i on November 10; and

WHEREAS, Hawai'i Women in Filmmaking will premiere its *Reel Wāhine of Hawai'i 2* series at HIFF on November 16–17; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism's Creative Industries Division presents its free Creative Lab Hawai'i Weekend Ideation Program for Indigenous Storytellers on November 16-17;

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

“HAWAI'I MEDIA MAKERS MONTH”

and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in celebrating the rich and authentic stories of our island home, recognize the value of Hawai'i's media makers and their commitment to bring their stories to global audiences, and take advantage of the film festivals and programs available this month.

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

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i