



# *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, for 169 years, the Chamber of Commerce Hawai'i (COCH), a nonprofit organization representing more than 2,000 companies, has been the "Voice of Business" in the islands; and

**WHEREAS**, the organization supports new industries and sectors, offers networking and training, promotes competition, increases employment opportunities for the people of Hawai'i, addresses issues of common concern to the business community, and advocates for businesses of all sizes to help them thrive locally, nationally and globally; and

**WHEREAS**, COCH offers a Young Professionals program to help educate future business leaders and advance their role in the business community; and

**WHEREAS**, COCH promotes Made in Hawai'i brands, supports the "Buy Local" movement, and as the exclusive state representative for the National Manufacturers Association, showcases Hawai'i's manufacturing industry; and

**WHEREAS**, COCH, as trustee of the Public Health Fund, provides grants to Oahu-based community organizations that are implementing public health education and research projects to benefit the people of Hawai'i; and

**WHEREAS**, COCH members participate in community events and fundraisers to help the less fortunate; and

**WHEREAS**, Chamber of Commerce Hawai'i's "Chamber Week" will feature a series of events designed to encourage local businesses to become more involved in the legislative process and to give members the opportunity to hear from key legislators on matters facing our economic future;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, JOSHUA B. GREEN, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim January 13–17, 2020 as**

## **"CHAMBER WEEK"**

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the Chamber of Commerce Hawai'i for its efforts in broadening economic opportunities for local businesses and promoting economic diversification in the islands.

Done at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this tenth day of January 2020.

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

  
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**DAVID Y. IGE**  
Governor, State of Hawai'i