

## Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** National Health and Information Technology Week celebrates the application of information and technology to promote better health outcomes and health equity; and

**WHEREAS,** health information and technology allow doctors to share case studies and implement best practices; connect doctors and patients to health records; and enable patients to receive telehealth or remote non-clinical and clinical services; and

**WHEREAS,** since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, telehealth has significantly expanded to where providers and residents utilize telehealth as a routine part of their lives; and

**WHEREAS,** many health services are covered in Hawai'i including inpatient and outpatient hospital services, rural health center services, family practice and pediatric nurse practitioners' services, nursing facility services, home health services, school health, and others; and

**WHEREAS,** the State of Hawai'i is proud to recognize the workers and organizations that leverage health information and technology to improve outcomes and provide quality healthcare to the people of Hawai'i;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor** of the **State of Hawai'i,** do hereby proclaim December 7–11, 2020 as

## **"HEALTH INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY WEEK"**

in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the heroes and organizations for their leadership in the utilization of health information and technology to fight the COVID-19 pandemic.

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

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