

## Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** neuroendocrine tumors/tumours (NETs) often develop into cancer and, if left untreated, can result in serious illness and death; and

**WHEREAS,** all too often healthcare professionals underestimate the malignant and metastatic potential of neuroendocrine tumors/tumours; and

**WHEREAS**, NET cancer patients are often misdiagnosed or receive a delayed diagnosis, which can have a negative impact on their chance of survival and quality of life; and

**WHEREAS,** survival for NET cancer patients is further compromised by fragmented care and lack of access to treatment by networks of specialists; and

**WHEREAS,** although there have been advances in the detection and treatment of NET cancers, not all patients are benefiting quickly enough from scientific and medical progress in the field; and

**WHEREAS,** with timely diagnosis and proper treatment, NET cancer patients can have significantly improved outcomes and quality of life;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor** of the **State of Hawai'i,** do hereby proclaim November 10, 2021 as

## "NET CANCER AWARENESS DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in raising awareness of NET cancers and the need for timely diagnosis and access to optimal treatment and care.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this tenth day of November 2021.

Governor, State of Hawai'i