

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Medical Laboratory Professionals Week, originated in 1975, was created to increase public awareness and understanding of the essential role medical laboratorians play in helping physicians with patient care; and

WHEREAS, early detection, diagnosis, and treatment is crucial to a patient's health to which wouldn't be possible if not for educated minds and trained hands; and

WHEREAS, the medical laboratory professionals whose efforts play an integral role in helping to give the people of our communities the best care possible; and

WHEREAS, the week also strives to enlighten the public's knowledge of the standards, integrity, and accountability that is a part of the laboratory profession; and

WHEREAS, through this dedication, laboratory professionals have worked tirelessly to make significant consequential contributions during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, as the State of Hawai'i carefully transitions back to normalcy from the pandemic, medical laboratory professionals continue to provide physicians with vital laboratory data;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the **State of Hawai'i,** do hereby proclaim April 24-30 as

"MEDICAL LABORATORY PROFESSIONALS WEEK"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to support the essential services provided by medical laboratory professionals for the benefit of our communities.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this fifth day of April 2022.

Governor, State of Hawai'i