



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Hawai'i's population is rapidly aging and the majority of our kūpuna age 65 and over wish to remain in their homes and communities as they age; and

WHEREAS, family caregivers play a crucial role in the State's healthcare system and assume responsibilities that often include assisting with personal care, general health care, mobility assistance, personal supervision, handling a crisis or medical emergency, and serving as advocates and care coordinators; and

WHEREAS, one in five adults in Hawai'i serve as family caregivers, providing a broad range of assistance to loved ones dealing with challenges such as age, illness, injury, and chronic or disabling conditions; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative to ensure that caregivers have the necessary support and services; be able to continue to earn a living; find a balance between caregiving, their families and relationships, and career; and have time for themselves; and

WHEREAS, technology tools, such as smart phone apps, communication aids, in-home sensors, and webcams can help make a home safer, reduce the caregiving workload, and provide effective ways to help a family caregiver with medication management; and

WHEREAS, managing medications is the most important daily responsibility of a family caregiver as a loved one receiving care may have multiple chronic conditions requiring the management of multiple medications; and

WHEREAS, November is National Family Caregivers Month—a time to recognize and celebrate the contributions of those individuals who serve as caregivers for family members with a chronic illness or disability;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the **State of Hawai'i**, do hereby proclaim November 2022 as

“NATIONAL FAMILY CAREGIVERS MONTH”

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join me in recognizing the critical role family caregivers play in a loved one's life and help make it possible for our kūpuna to age in place.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-first day of October 2022.



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i