



*Proclamation*  
*Presented to*  
**Bully Free Hawai'i USA**

**WHEREAS**, Anti-Bullying Day, a.k.a. "Pink Shirt Day", originated in Nova Scotia, Canada, by David Shepherd and Travis Price who in 2007 bought and distributed 50 pink shirts after a make 9<sup>th</sup> grade student, Charles McNeill, was bullied for wearing a pink shirt during the first day of school; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2012, the United Nations took action in the Anti-Bullying campaign and declared the official day as May 4 which is now recognized by over 25 countries including the United States, Australia and the United Kingdom; and

**WHEREAS**, Bully Free Hawai'i USA is launching the annual Anti-Bullying Campaign on May 4, 2015 and encouraging students, teachers and community leaders to wear pink to display solidarity for the students who experience face-to-face or cyber-bullying; and

**WHEREAS**, on this day, people who participate in the Anti-Bullying Campaign are asked to wear pink, blue or purple shirts, depending on their location, to symbolize a stand against bullying; and

**WHEREAS**, Bully Free Hawai'i USA is committed to providing resources and to the continuation of this annual event to prevent bullying in the State of Hawai'i;

**THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May 4, 2015 as**

**"ANTI-BULLYING DAY"**

in Hawai'i, and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join in and wear pink to show a unified stand against bullying.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this first day of May 2015.

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI  
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i