



Proclamation

In Recognition of

National Nurses Week

WHEREAS, the nearly 3.1 million registered nurses in the United States comprise our nation's largest health care profession; and

WHEREAS, National Nurses Week this year will be observed May 6, 2015 through May 12, 2015, in association with the American Nursing Association; and

WHEREAS, National Nurses Week is a celebration of the ways in which registered nurses strive to provide safe and high quality patient care while also seeking new ways to improve our health care system; and

WHEREAS, the registered nursing profession meets the diverse and emerging health care needs of the American population in a wide range of setting including correctional facilities; and

WHEREAS, professional nursing has demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of patients in the correctional system; and

WHEREAS, the demand for registered nursing services will be greater than ever because of the aging of the American population and the continuing expansion of life-sustaining technologies; and

WHEREAS, more qualified registered nurses will be needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of health care consumers in our community and our institutions; and

WHEREAS, the cost-effective, safe and quality health care services provided by registered nurses will be an ever more important component of Hawai'i's health care delivery system in the future;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May 6 - 12, 2015 as

"NATIONAL NURSES WEEK"

in Hawai'i, and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in honoring registered nurses who have dedicated themselves to our care and well-being.

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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