



Proclamation

In Recognition of

4p- /Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrome Awareness Day

WHEREAS, Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome, also known as 4p- syndrome, is caused by a missing part of the short arm of chromosome 4 resulting in severe developmental delays; a characteristic facial appearance and may include a variety of other birth defects; and

WHEREAS, children with 4p- syndrome are usually born with low birth weight and develop slowly, both cognitively and physically, compared to their same-age peers, and experience medical complications while still maintaining pleasant and lovable personalities; and

WHEREAS, dedicated professionals are presently involved in valuable research to explore new therapies and diagnostic tools, and to offer hope to persons with 4p- syndrome; and

WHEREAS, the 4p- Support Group estimates that approximately 1,000 individuals in the United States have 4p- syndrome, though it is thought that many remain undiagnosed; and

WHEREAS, working together can increase research into understanding the syndrome, advocating for effective diagnostic screening, and supporting the development of improved therapies for early intervention and other necessary and critical treatments; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i recognizes and applauds the valuable role which families and advocates of those who have 4p- syndrome play in helping our medical community advance the awareness of this syndrome;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April 16, 2015 as

"4P- /WOLF-HIRSCHHORN SYNDROME AWARENESS DAY"

in Hawai'i, and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in raising awareness of 4p- syndrome in a way designed to have a positive and productive impact on the lives of all people with 4p- syndrome and their caregivers.

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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