



Proclamation

Presented to

AMC Support

WHEREAS, Arthrogyrosis Multiplex Congenita (AMC) is a condition that causes many joints to be stiff and crooked at birth when a newborn lacks the normal range of motion in one or more joints; and

WHEREAS, a joint that lacks range of motion is called a joint contracture that develops before birth, prenatally, and are evident at birth, congenitally; and

WHEREAS, joints that can be affected by AMC include the hands, feet, hips, knees, elbows, shoulders, wrists, fingers, toes, the jaw and the spine, where any and all joints can be affected, but it is possible for some joints to be unaffected; no two people are affected in the same way; and

WHEREAS, Arthrogyrosis affects 1 in 3,000 live births; and

WHEREAS, to be given a diagnosis of Arthrogyrosis, a newborn must have three contracted joints in two different body areas; and

WHEREAS, Arthrogyrosis is an umbrella diagnosis meaning that it is part of many other conditions and syndromes; and

WHEREAS, there are over 400 different types of conditions with Amyoplasia, Distal Escobar Syndrome being the most common type, where other individuals never have their type of Arthrogyrosis identified; and

WHEREAS, Arthrogyrosis is not curable but very treatable and treatment goals are usually related to promote as much independence as possible in activities of daily living;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 30, 2015 as

“ARTHROGRYPOSIS AWARENESS DAY”

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in educating ourselves on the diagnosis of Arthrogyrosis Multiplex Congenita in order to better support those who are affected by AMC.

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

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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