



# *Proclamation*

*Presented to*

## **The Hawai'i State Commission on Fatherhood and Hawai'i Coalition for Dads**

**WHEREAS**, the Hawai'i State Commission on Fatherhood and Hawai'i Coalition for Dads promote the message that good fathering during infancy, childhood and adolescence contributes to the development of a child's emotional security and has positive psychological and economic benefits for children, families and our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hawai'i State Commission on Fatherhood and Hawai'i Coalition for Dads acknowledge that children and teens of fathers who take time to be involved in regular family activities have higher self-esteem, better social skills and fewer high-risk behaviors; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hawai'i State Commission on Fatherhood and Hawai'i Coalition for Dads promotes, fosters, encourages and financially supports programs designed to educate and train men who are both current and future fathers in effective parenting skills, behaviors and attitudes, strategies for overcoming personal challenges in order to assist them to play an integral role in the development of their *keiki* as they grow to become understanding and compassionate adults; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hawai'i State Commission on Fatherhood and Hawai'i Coalition for Dads recognizes outstanding fathers and father programs and services; and

**WHEREAS**, are sponsoring the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual "Celebrate Father's Day" at Windward Mall shopping center on Saturday, June 20, 2015, which will include a Father-Child Look-a-Like contest, entertainment and family-friendly resource tables and activities;

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

## **"FATHERHOOD MONTH"**

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in celebrating the important role of fathers in raising happy and healthy *keiki* in our state.

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

DAVID Y. IGE  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

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