



Proclamation

Presented to

The Hawai'i Food Manufacturers Association

WHEREAS, food manufacturing in Hawai'i is the largest manufacturing sector in the state, generating over \$900 million annually in revenue and supporting thousands of families statewide; and

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Manufacturers Association (HFMA) was established in 1977 as a non-profit organization and currently is the only active state food manufacturing association in the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, HFMA serves local food manufacturing companies as a conduit for resources, tools and expertise to benefit existing and start-up manufacturing companies; and

WHEREAS, HFMA works to stimulate innovation and global competitiveness of its members through education and to expand the manufacturing infrastructure and capacity in the state; and

WHEREAS, HFMA works to increase public awareness of the food manufacturing industry with emphasis on the people, companies and products that tell the story about the diversity, integrity, quality and uniqueness that makes the foods of Hawai'i special; and

WHEREAS, HFMA will host the second annual TASTE Awards on June 6, 2015 to recognize the achievements of exceptional individuals and companies;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 1 - 6, 2015 as

"FOOD MANUFACTURING WEEK"

in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing local food manufacturers for contributing to a growing sector of the state's economy with a rich variety of traditional and innovative products enjoyed in the islands and beyond.

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