

Proclamation
In Recognition of
The Consular Corps of Hawai'i

WHEREAS, the Consular Corps of Hawai'i traces its history back to 1824 and meetings between American and British consular representatives and now currently represents 40 countries consisting of seven Consulate Generals and 33 "Consulates General or Consulates ad honorem" and over 30 Associate members; and

WHEREAS, the Consular Corps of Hawai'i's tasks are challenging. Among the most important are promotion of trade; the maintenance of close relations with the State and County governments; and with the military; advising and assisting the nationals of the country he or she represents in Hawai'i; and supporting culture and the arts; and

WHEREAS, the Consular Corps of Hawai'i members reflect the true Spirit of Aloha by promoting our rich cultural diversity and celebrating the international relations that Hawai'i has with other nations throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the Consular Corps of Hawai'i will hold its 12th Consular Corps Inaugural Ball on Saturday, February 28, 2015, to honor:

- Toyoei Shigeeda, Incoming Dean, Consul General of Japan
- Admiral R.J. "Zap" Zlatoper, Incoming Vice Dean, United States Navy (Ret.)
- Nina H. Fasi, Secretary, Honorary Consul of Norway
- Annie Kaneshiro, Treasurer, Honorary Consular Agent of Tonga
- M. Jan Rumi, Auditor, Honorary Consul of Morocco
- Dr. Nicklaus R. Schweizer, Historian, Dean Emeritus and retired Honorary Consul of Switzerland
- Jeffrey Daniel Lau, Outgoing Dean of the Corps, Honorary Consul of Belgium, will serve as Immediate Past Dean

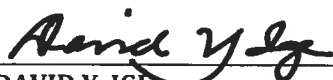
WHEREAS, the Consular Corps of Hawai'i will also honor Governor Neil Abercrombie, with its Distinguished Service Award and Honorary Consular Agent Annie Kaneshiro with its Distinguished Service Medal;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim February 28, 2015 as

"CONSULAR CORPS OF HAWAII' DAY"

in Hawai'i and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in extending congratulations to the new officers of the Consular Corps of Hawai'i and the awardees; and thank Corps members, past and present, for their distinguished service, leadership and contributions to our community.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on this twenty-sixth day of February 2015.



DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i



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